

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday, the 9th April, 1934, by P. J. Meghen, B.E., B.Sc., Commissioner appointed to administer the affairs of Wicklow Urban District.

Minutes of last Meeting read and signed.

Letter G.24691/34 - dated 5th March 1934 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health sanctioning payment of Poundage at 1s/- in the £ to the Poor Rate Collector in re lodgment of an amount equivalent to 1st Moiety and Arrears.

Order:- Noted.

Letter dated 7/3/34 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health in reply to an inquiry of the Town Clerk, and stating that no credit should be taken in preparation of Estimates for next year in respect of Estate Duty Grant.

Order:- Noted.

Circ. S.25/34. - dated 13/3/34 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health intimating that it is desired that in respect of filling of vacancies referred to in the accompanying list, that the normal course should be by reference to the Local Appointments Commissioners.

Order:- Noted.

Letter S.32381/34, - dated 16/3/34 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health in reply to Town Clerk's letter of 14th idem., and stating that no further Grant could be made available for the Foreshore Works.

Order:- Noted. Department to be asked to sanction additional Grant.

Letter H.29606 /1934. - dated 16/3/34, - From Department of Local Government and Public Health requesting that the Minister might be furnished with particulars regarding the second tender received ~~for~~ for the six additional houses to be erected at

Monkton Row.

The Clerk reported that the required particulars were furnished.

Order:- Noted.

Letter H.35030/1934. - dated 3/4/34 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health sanctioning the acceptance of the Tender of Messrs Ryan Bros., for the erection of the six additional houses.

Order. Noted. Messrs Ryan to be asked to complete Bond and Contract.

Letter H.35080/34 - dated 26/3/34 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health acknowledging receipt of Town Clerk's communication and enclosures relative to the Wicklow Urban No. 1 (Purchase) Order 1934.

Order:- Noted.

Letter H.31926/34 - dated 26/3/34 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health sanctioning the borrowing by the Council of a sum of £4,000 for the purposes of the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts and stating that application for sanction to individual advances should be made on the enclosed forms.

Order:- Noted.

Letter H.34617/34. - dated 26/3/34 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health transmitting copy of the Housing (Loan Charges Contributions) Regulations 1932, and directing attention to Sec. 6 of the Housing Act 1932 and Article 4 of the Regulations.

Order:- Noted.

Letter P.H.32880/34 - dated 21/3/34 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health stating that the Minister noted the reduction to be made during the month of March in the amount of Milk to be distributed.

In this connection the Town Clerk pointed out that it became

necessary to curtail supplies to keep within the expenditure permitted by the Grant in aid. The expenditure was kept within the limit with some difficulty having regard to the Demands.

Order:- Noted. Town Clerk granted 5% on outlay on Milk Scheme as remuneration for administration of Scheme.

Correspondence from The Department of Finance in reference to the amount claimed and allowed for 1931/32 and 1932/33 under Sec. 58 (4) of the Local Government Act 1898 (Contributions in aid of Harbours Charges),

The Town Clerk reported that he made out the Claim for the sum of £556. 5. 2 and the Valuation Office had certified for £556. 0. 2 The Department of Finance paid the amount certified less the sum of £70. 5. 10, and in reply to the Town Clerk's inquiry had pointed out by letter F.62/10/33 date 24th March 1934 that owing to insufficiency of Income in the Licence Duty Grant for the year ending 31st March 1934 it became necessary to make a proportionate abatement of all the claims against the Grant including the claims in question, and that the abatement was effected in accordance with Sec. 58 (5) of the same Act.

Order:- Noted.

Circ. No. 22/34 - dated 27/3/34 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health dealing with the Local Government (Amendment) Act 1934, and pointing out that the main purpose of the Act is to amend Sec. 12 ss. 3 of the Local Government Act 1927 by extending the time to the 1/10/38 during which new buildings may be erected and that will be entitled to relief from Rates given under the said Section 12 of the Act 1927.

Order:- Noted.

Circ. P.H.30/34 - dated 3/4/34 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health on the subject of School Meals making suggestions as to administration of Scheme and requesting returns to be completed for expenditure to the 31st March 1934 and 30th September 1935.

The Town Clerk reported that the Scheme in Wicklow Urban District was, as usual discontinued on the School Children being granted holidays on the 28th March 1934. He further pointed out that for 99 days 7,390 meals were given or an average of 75 per day. The Cost of administration was £15. 5. 1 and of the provision of meals was £72. 10. 0 making a total cost to the Rates of £87. 15. 1 and of this he expected £36. 5. 0 to be recouped by Grant. He stated that the Committee in charge and in particular the lady members who attended to supervise had given willing and valuable service in the administration of the Scheme. He also reported that the voluntary help in the matter of supplying potatoes and vegetables was given from some Farmers in the vicinity of the Town and that these were, he believed suitably acknowledged by the Hon. Sec. of the Committee.

Order:- Commissioner directed the Town Clerk to express his thanks to the members of the Committee for their assistance in this splendid social work. He also wished to thank all those who contributed supplied of any kind.

Letter P.H.34466/34 - dated 4/4/34 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health requesting details of the Scheme adopted for the immunisation of children in the District against Diphtheria.

Order:- To be furnished.

Receivable Orders from The Office of Public Works for payment of (1) £53. 6. 8 half-yearly Instalment to 1st May 1934 on Harbour Loan (2) £97. 13. 8 Interest to 30/4/34 on Housing Loan of £3,500 for Ten Houses at Dunbur Road (3) £26. 12. 2 Principal and Interest on Loan of £1275 for Sewerage and Water (4) £65. 6. 11 Instalment due 1st May 1934 of Penal Interest as per arrangement.

Order:- Noted.

Adjourned letter P.H.142600/33 - dated 21/12/33 - From Department of Local Government and Public Health on the subject of Bye-Laws for Slaughterhouses.

The Town Clerk reported that the Medical Officer of Health and Town Surveyor had not yet submitted their observations on the model Bye-Laws submitted.

Order:- Noted.

Application dated From Poor Rate Collector E. Kennedy for an extension of time to close his Warrant for 1933/34 Collection.

Order:- Granted subject to sanction.

Application from the Manager of The Hibernian Bank Ltd., for payment of £58. 0. 0 principal and interest of Loan of £1,100 for sewer extensions and Public Convenience etc.,

The Town Clerk reported that on foot of this loan the sum of £904. 16. 4 had been paid out to the Contractors for Sewerage Works at Fitzwilliam Road and Wentworth Place and for erection of Public Convenience. Of the balance viz. £195. 3. 8 a sum of £64. 14. 0 was retention money on these contracts, a sum of £6. 10. was paid as costs of the Mortgage, a sum of £2. 12. 0 was paid for advertising leaving a nett balance of £119. 7. 8. Against this was a claim of the Town Surveyor amounting to £24. 3. 9 for fees on expenditure of £967. 10. 4 at 2½% (See his letters of 6th Feby. 1934 and 22nd Feby. 1934) and a sum of £12. 17. 6 for lighting.

Order:- Noted.

Statement dated 19/3/34 - From The Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd., claiming a premium of £21. 15. 0 on Policy covering Foreshore Workers and an additional premium of £5. 16. 0 on Relief Grant Policy. The Town Clerk reported that he had written pointing out that the Relief Scheme Account had been definitely closed and that the final Wage Bill on the other policy would not justify a premium of £21. 15. 0. The Company promised to adjust when final figures were available.

Order:- Clerk's letter approved.

Letter dated 22/3/34 - From The Secretary of the Wicklow

County Council transmitting statement of amount required by that Council from the Wicklow Urban District Council for 1934/35 and explanatory table.

The Town Clerk pointed out that the figure in the present statement was £2,286. 19. 10 as compared with £2322. 12. 10 last year, and that the figure £840. 10. 6 for the old Malicious Injury Claims recurred in this year's Statement.

Order:- Noted.

Renewed application of Mrs. M. S. A. McPhail for renewal of Lease of premises situated at South Quay.

The Town Clerk reported that the old Lease dated 4/10/1904 for 31 years appeared not to expire until 25th March 1935.

Order:- Adjourned.

Medical Officer of Health's Notification of a case of Diphtheria at Ballynerrin and steps taken by him.

Order:- Noted.

Correspondence re Public Liability Policy and Policy with Statement from Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd., requesting settlement of Premium of £9. 6. 0.

Order:- To be paid.

Letter dated 3/3/34 - From the Electricity Supply Board transmitting payment of £124. 6. 4 payment of Instalment of former Wicklow Electricity Undertaking Unrecouped Rates and replying to Town Clerk's letter of 22nd February 1934 as to the like payments that should have been made on 14th February in each of the years 1930, 1931 and 1932.

Order:- Noted.

Correspondence between the Secretary of the Electricity Supply Board and the Town Clerk on the subject of that part of the Town Hall premises that had vested in the Board under Vesting Order made pursuant to the Electricity Supply Act 1927 - the Board eventually agreeing to surrender it gratis to the Council. The

Town Clerk reported that as he believed a formal conveyance was necessary he drafted same and he now submitted the draft as approved of by the Board's Solicitor. He further reported that he had formally taken over the keys from the Board's local representative on ; and he suggested that as the premises are not in a good state of repair the Town Surveyor should be asked to inspect and report as to any repairs necessary and urgent to protect the Town Hall property. The premises were being used as a store and were badly required as such.

Order:- Noted. Surveyor to inspect and report.

Letter of 3/4/34 - From Electricity Supply Board submitting terms for Public Lighting for 1934-35. The terms for the 69 existing lamps were the same as last year, but the Board submitted prices for extra lamps that were considered useful.

Order:- Accepted on same lines as last year.

Report of Waterworks Overseer dated 5th April 1934.

Order:- Noted.

Correspondence with Great Southern Railways Co., re Maintenance of Ballarney Road - otherwise Wicklow Railway Station approach road - was submitted.

The Town Clerk stated that as he had received complaints about the new dumping place in the Black Castle Area, and as he believed that these would be aggravated with the advent of the Summer, he had pursued the correspondence with a view to reaching a settlement of the Road maintenance question and thus being able to revert to the old dumping ground, which, both the Local Medical Officer of Health and County Medical Officer of Health and Town Surveyor had recommended to him as the most suitable district in the Town. In particular he called attention to his letter to the Company of the 28th March 1934 and the Company's reply of the 4th April and his own further letter of the 9th April 1934, the result of which was that he had accepted the Company's offer of permitting

the Council carting on the Railway Road as heretofore for a period of one year in consideration of the sum of £10. 0. 0 to be paid by the Council. Hitherto the Council maintained the Road and the Railway Company paid the Council a contribution of £20. 0. 0 per annum for same, but the Company had refused to continue that arrangement. The Town Clerk called attention for purpose of comparison to a payment of £5. 0. 0 per annum that was made annually to the County Council by the Urban Council for the Ashtown Road.

Subject to confirmation he had accordingly given instructions to the Scavengers to revert to use the old dumping ground off the Railway Station Road as and from the 8th April 1934.

Order:- Approved.

Letter dated 21/3/34 - From Messrs Ryan Brothers, Contractors, replying to an individual complaint as to non-payment of Trade Union Wages, and definitely declaring that they were paying every Labourer 9d per hour or 36s/- per 48 hours.

Order:- Noted.

Letter dated 21/3/34 - From Messrs Ryan Brothers as to complaint considered at last meeting from Tradesmen on the work and Town Clerk's reply dated

Order:- Noted.

Letter dated 15/3/34 - From The County Medical Officer of Health calling attention to the fact that as Peter Vickers of Dispensary Lane, Wicklow, had been allotted a house under the Wicklow Labourers (Order), he was instructed to see that if his house was condemned it should not be re-inhabited.

Order:- To be dealt with later.

Report dated 5/3/34 - From Town Surveyor following on his inspection of proposed building operations undertaken by Mr A. Roche, Dunbur Road. Further verbal report of Town Surveyor on the subject.

Order:- Mr Roche to submit an amended plan.

Letter dated 4/4/34 - From Martin Brien of New Street, for renewal of tenancy of plot of ground in rere of the Cottages at Convent Road.

Order:- Accepted.

Eleven Months Lettings. The Town Clerk reported that since last meeting he had twice invited by public poster tenders for the fields not agreed on at meeting of the 5th March 1934. The most recent offers were as follows:-

(1) Two fields at Ballyguile formerly held by John Lalor.

(a) John Lalor £6. 0. 0 plus Rates.

(b) P. Brien, Convent Road, £8. 0. 0 plus Rates. (Last year's price £12. 0. 0 plus rates).

Order:- P. Brien accepted plus rates.

(2) Fields at Dunbur formerly held by William Dickenson.

(a) William Dickenson £9. 0. 0 plus Rates. (Last year's price £18. 0. 0 plus Rates)

Order:- Accepted at £9. 0. 0 plus rates.

(3) Quarry Field (Formerly held by Mr O'Carroll).

(a) William Dickenson £4. 0. 0 plus Rates. (Last year's yearly tenancy £16. 10. 0 and rates).

(4) Castle Field. (Unlet last year).

(a) Thomas Kavanagh, Castle Street, Wicklow 6d per week.

Order:- Accepted.

To sign and complete the Agreements drawn for lettings to Joseph Carr, Andrew Dunne, Edward Doyle, William Rooney, Edward Dickenson and Dominican Convent.

Order:- Signed.

To consider Agreement drawn for and signed by John Lalor, Milk Purveyor, in connection with his Tender for supply and delivery of Milk under the Free Milk Scheme, - the Tender being sanctioned by the Department of Local Government and Public Health.

Order:- Signed and Sealed.

To execute Agreement drawn for Seasonal Letting of The Murrrough to Amusements Committee for £25. 0. 0.

Order:- Signed and Sealed.

Adjourned revision of Register of Dairies, Cowsheds and Milk Shops, and applications for renewals by Miss D. Wall, Mrs Mary Carr, Miss Annie Kennedy, Mrs Margaret Clarke, Thomas O'Carroll, Patrick Brien, Matthew Olohan, Michael Dawson, Patrick Rooney, William Brennan, Mrs Catherine Doyle, John Lalor, Peter Lalor, Henry Nalty and George Flood, together with Veterinary Inspector's Report in each case.

Order:- Applications registered.

Report on Rate Collection up to 31st March 1934.

Poor Rate. Warrant £2922. 13. 0 - Collected £2463. 16. 11

Town Rate. Warrant £3984. 18. 6 - Collected £3473. 13. 4

Order:- Approved.

Consideration of Return of All-In-Cost of the 10 Houses at Dunbur Road, as they are now finished, fenced and complete in all details, and of the position of the Housing Account.

Order:- Noted.

Consideration of Estimate of All-In-Cost of the 28 Houses now under Contract at Monkton Row, including Engineer's Report of 7/4/34, - of application of Loan for same, - and of the Purchase Order made in connection with the houses to be replaced by them.

Order:- Application to be made to the Department for a Loan of £10,000 on second Scheme. Full detailed statement of all-in-cost to be submitted at same time to Department, and sanction to be asked for a temporary overdraft not exceeding £6,000 for three months on the Housing Account.

Consideration of Income Tax Liability.

Order:- Pay £285. 13. 9 on account.

Redemption Fund.

Order:- Amount in Redemption Fund Account to be invested.

The following Advice Notes were signed:-

General Account	£661.	2.	3
Poor Rate Account	£580.	13.	2
Housing Account	£393.	19.	5

P. J. Meghen

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday, the 7th May 1934,
by P. J. Meghen, B.E., B.Sc., Commissioner appointed to
administer the affairs of Wicklow Urban District.

Minutes of last Meeting read and signed.

Letter (H.43581/34) dated 20th April 1934, from the Department of Local Government and Public Health approving of additional overdraft accommodation on the Housing Account limited to £1,000.

Order:- Noted. Additional Overdraft of £1,000 to be asked for pending receipt of Loan.

Letter (H.43581/34) from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 26th April 1934, intimating that the Minister had sanctioned the borrowing by the Commissioner for Wicklow Urban District Council of the sum of £10,000 for the erection of 28 Houses under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, and has recommended the Commissioners of Public Works to issue the Loan from the Local Loan Funds.

The Town Clerk reported that he had asked for additional temporary overdraft accommodation of £3,000 on the Housing Account and that he believed such was required pending issue of Loan because the payments now due would exceed sanctioned overdraft.

Letter from Hibernian Bank dated 25th April 1934 agreeing to allow overdraft not exceeding £4,000 in all.

Order:- Noted. Application to be made to the Commissioners of Public Works for the issue of the Loan.

Notification dated 2nd May 1934 from the Department of Local Government and Public Health of the issue of £31 as First Instalment of Free Milk Grant.

Order:- Noted.

Letter (H.48209/34) dated 3rd May 1934 from the Department of Local Government and Public Health in reply to Clerk's letter of 18/4/34 intimating that the Minister was not prepared to alter

the plans of the houses under construction so as to permit of 3 bedrooms instead of 2 upstairs.

Order:- Noted.

P.H.Circ. No.61/34 dated 3rd May 1934, from the Department of Local Government and Public Health setting out arrangements to be followed so as to provide that the Free Milk Scheme could be worked in conjunction with the administration of the Unemployment Assistance Act.

Order:- To be complied with.

Circular letter dated 4th May 1934, from the Department of Local Government and Public Health requesting particulars of fuel requirements and types of heating installation in institutions.

Order:- To be furnished.

The Town Clerk reported error in the ratings of Mr A. Rylands and Ellen Rylands, Bollarney North (Rate Nos. 12 and 15).

Order:- Ratings to be amended as per Order signed this day.

Rate Books to be initialled for alterations.

Application from Mrs Margaret McGrath, Abbeyfield, Wicklow, for an advance of 90% of the value of house of which she is tenant and which she proposes to buy from J. Clarke under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

Order:- Granted. Valuer (Mr Curran) to ascertain the value for purpose of the Acts and application for an advance to be forwarded to the Local Government Department.

Letter dated 20th April 1934, from The Prioress, Dominican Convent, Wicklow, inquiring if it would be in order for the Convent Authorities to open a gateway from their lands into the Council's field which they have recently got on Eleven Months letting (formerly Pim's field). And further letter dated the 28th April 1934 from like source in reply to Clerk's letter of 20th idem intimating that Mother Prioress will be entirely responsible for the opening

and will be prepared to have the opening closed should field pass into other hands.

Order:- Licence to be given revocable on demand and fence to be restored on demand.

Letter dated 30th April 1934 from Messrs Lawrence Waldron & Co., acknowledging receipt of £317. 12. 11 and Advice of 3rd May 1934 from same source that they had invested same in Dublin Corporation 5% Inscribed Stock (1950-1970).

Order:- Noted.

Letter S.48210/34 dated 2nd May 1934 from Department of Local Government and Public Health intimating in reply to Clerk's application of 18th April 1934 for additional Grant for Foreshore Works that the Minister was prepared to sanction a Loan for the Works.

Order:- Noted. Application to be made for sanction to a loan of £300 for a term of five years to be obtained from Council's Treasurer.

Letter F.17/34 dated 21st April 1934 from Department of Local Government and Public Health transmitting copy of a Sealed Order made by the Minister on the 9th idem ordering an election of Councillors for Wicklow Urban District Council to be held on the 26th June 1934 and enclosing copy Circular No. 17/34 as to conduct of Election.

Order:- Noted.

Adjourned consideration of Model Bye Laws for regulation of Slaughterhouses.

Order:- Adjourned.

Veterinary Inspector's Report for the month of April 1934 on his inspection of Dairies, Cow Sheds and Slaughterhouses.

Order:- To be entered on the Minutes.

Salem, Wicklow, 20-4-34. Dr Beckett, C.M.O.H., Dear Sir, I inspected the Dairies, Cowsheds and Slaughterhouses in

the Wicklow Urban Area, and found them generally in a clean well kept state. I put a sample of John Lalor's Milk through the Minit Tester and found it very free from any trace of dirt. I also Tuberculin-Tested his herd. Yours faithfully, S. Conway.

Letter dated 17th April 1934 from Messrs J. H. McCarroll & Co. Solicitors, Wicklow, transmitting Certificate of Taxation dated 16th April 1930 showing costs amounting to £130. 9. 3 due to them and also a further Account for £4. 10. 0.

Order:- To be paid.

Circular from Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd., enclosing Form of Appointment of Nominee under which the Council may appoint one of its members to attend and vote at meetings of the Company.

Order:- Town Clerk appointed.

Application dated 20th April 1934 from William Kavanagh, Quarantine Hill for one of the houses in course of construction at Monkton Row: also like application from Michael Malone, Castle Street, Wicklow, an Agricultural Labourer.

Order:- Adjourned for three months.

To sign Agreements for letting of fields to Messrs Rooney, Brien, Dickenson, Kavanagh, already agreed on.

Order:- Signed.

Consideration of Tenders received pursuant to advertisement by poster for letting of Quarry Field.

Order:- ~~Order~~ Tender of Thomas O'Carroll at £6. 10. 0 plus rates accepted providing all outstanding rent and rates on this field are paid up immediately.

Letter date 18th April 1934 from Mr Thomas O'Carroll, Summer-Hill asking for a reduction in rents of fields which he holds on yearly tenancy from the Council.

Order:- Read.

Adjourned consideration of Engineer's Report on Convent Road

Cottages Sewerage.

Order:- Town Clerk to take this matter up again with the Department.

Adjourned consideration of Electricity Supply Board's tender for additional public lamps.

Order:- Adjourned.

Letter dated 25th April 1934 from Arthur Cox, Solicitor, Dublin acknowledging receipt from Solicitor to the Council of engrossments of Conveyance and Memorial dealing with transfer of Electricity Store in Town Hall.

Order:- Noted.

Report from Engineer dated 28th April 1934 as to defective timber being used by Contractor for 22 houses at Monkton Row.

Order:- Adjourned for Contractor's reply.

Further Report by Engineer of same date as to damages being permitted by the Contractors for the said 22 houses to the buildings in progress.

Order:- Contractors to be notified to take proper care of houses.

Replies received from Messrs Ryan Bros., on these complaints by the Engineer.

Order:- Wait Reply.

Consideration of executing the Contract Documents prepared by Mr McGrath Council's Solicitor and Town Clerk, and signed by Messrs Ryan Bros., and their Sureties for the erection of the six additional houses at Monkton Row.

Order:- Signed and Sealed. Contractors to be asked to start work on 21st May. William Dickenson's tenancy to be terminated.

Consideration of correspondence with Mr E. J. H. Hopkins, Solicitor as to sale of two houses in the Monkton Row Clearance Area.

Order:- Consideration referred to Council's Solicitor.

Application by Valuer for fees on Valuation of Clearance Area.

Order:- Sanction of Department to be asked to payment.

Letter from P. H. McCarthy, Civil Engineer, 26, Lower Leeson Street, Dublin, transmitting an Account totalling £184. 9. 6 for Professional services rendered to the Council from 1924 to 25th June 1928, and also a copy letter from former Town Clerk dated 31st October 1934.

The Town Clerk reported that this was the first time he had received any intimation of any fees due to Mr McCarthy - but that from inquiries he learned that he was employed in connection with the Waterworks in 1927 and 1928, but that it was clear that at least £22. 11. 6 of the claim was statute barred.

Order:- As no record of this Scheme is available in the office Mr McCarthy to be informed that Commissioner would be prepared to settle this claim for £100 subject to the sanction of the Department. Claim for £22. 11. 6 disallowed as being statute barred.

To consider Petition signed by 13 residents of Bond Street Wicklow, for the construction of a Main Sewer so as to permit of their houses being connected therewith.

Order:- Refer to Surveyor for estimate and report.

The Town Clerk reported that he had since last meeting arranged for the letting of the three vacant houses fronting Dunbur Road, and produced agreements signed, and application forms. He also reported that he had other applications for the houses since he arranged the lettings.

Order:- Town Clerk's action approved.

Report on Rate Collection up to 30th April 1934.

Poor Rate. Warrant £2922. 13. 0. Collected £2568. 13. 10.

Town Rate. Warrant £3984. 18. 6 Collected £3555. 19. 4.

Application of Poor Rate Collector for Poor Rates payable out of

Council's property. The Town Clerk requested that a definite date for closing Warrant be fixed for the Collectors.

Order;- Collections to be closed on 14th May 1934.

The Commissioner signed the following Advice Notes.

General Account £351. 3. 11.

Housing Account £850. 4. 9.

The Town Surveyor submitted a list of Streets for tarring, and he was instructed to proceed with Wentworth Place, Church Street, Bridge Street, Leitrim Place, Morton's Lane, St Patrick's Road and High Street.

T. P. Meagher

Special Meeting held at 3 o'clock p.m. on 7th
May 1934.

Consideration of Town Clerk's Estimates for Town Rate and
Poor Rate for the Financial Year 1934-35 together with his report
thereon.

Order:- Town Rate. Having considered the figures of estimated
expenditure and receipts for Town purposes, submitted to me this
day by the Town Clerk, I hereby agree to and adopt an Estimate
for Town Rate for the financial year 1934-35 of 11s/- in the £.
to provide for the expenditure under the headings of repayment of
Luscombe Mortgage raised for Wicklow Harbour, Special Loan under
the Wicklow Harbour Advance Act 1897, necessary expenditure under
the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, Public Health Acts and
Local Government Acts. The total effective Valuation appears to
be £6,451. 5. 6.

Poor Rate. Having considered the figures of estimated
Receipts and Expenditure for Poor Rate purposes for the year 1934-
35, submitted to me by the Town Clerk, I hereby agree to adopt
an Estimate of Poor Rate for the financial year 1934-35 of 75.604d
pence in the £. general charges leviable over the whole Wicklow
Urban Area and the following for separate charges:-

- 1.5d for Arklow Harbour leviable over Barony of Arklow in
Urban Area.
- 3.097d for Wicklow Harbour leviable over Wicklow Urban Area.
- .283d for Rathdrum Union Loan leviable over Wicklow Urban
Area.
- .032d for Criminal Injury Claims in respect of Bass Raids
leviable over Wicklow Urban Area.

The total effective Valuation for Poor Rate purposes appears to be
£7,374. 11. 0.

I hereby direct the Town Clerk to proceed to calculate the
Town Rates and Poor Rates for the year 1934-35 in accordance with

the Estimates hereby adopted and in due course to publish notice
of intention to make Rates.

Patrick J. Meghen,
7. 5. 34.

P. Meghen

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday, the 4th June 1934,
by P. J. Meghen, B.E., B.Sc., Commissioner appointed to
administer the affairs of Wicklow Urban District.

Minutes of last Meeting read and signed.

Letter (H.63006) dated 22nd May 1934 from Minister of Local
Government and Public Health stating that the Minister for Finance
had sanctioned the Loan of £4,000 under the Small Dwellings Acts.

Letter dated 22nd May 1934 from Solicitor for Commissioners of
Public Works enclosing a draft Deed of Mortgage for £4,000 in con-
nection with the proposed Loan asked for under The Small Dwellings
Acquisition Acts - also Rec. Order for £7. 14. 6 expenses incurred
in the preparation of the Mortgage.

The Town Clerk reported that there was no application from any
person for the benefits of the Small Dwellings Acts.

Order:- Adjourned.

Re: Housing Loan £10,000. Letter dated 14th May 1934 from
The Commissioners of Public Works in reply to Town Clerk's letter
of the 10th May 1934 urging expedition of the issue of the loan -
stating that they had received the recommendation of the Minister
for Local Government and Public Health for the Loan of £10,000 for
the erection of 28 houses under the Housing of the Working Classes
Acts, - that the sanction of the Minister for Finance is required
and same could not be anticipated, - adding that there are many loans
already under consideration and they must be taken in turn, and that
an issue on foot of the loan cannot be made before the Mortgage
Deed has been completed.

Order:- Read.

Letter (H.59397/34) dated 10th May 1934 from the Minister for
Local Government and Public Health stating he has approved of the
proposal of the Commissioner to raise a further overdraft not exceed-
ing £1,000 for the purposes of the 28 House Scheme at Monkton Row,

pending the issue of the Loan - enclosing signed duplicate for
transmission to the Bank.

Order:- Noted.

Letter dated 22nd May 1934 from Manager, Hibernian Bank,
stating his Directors agreed to a temporarily extended overdraft
limit of £5,000 on the Housing Account.

Order:- Noted.

Circular letter 50/34 dated 16th May 1934 from the Department
of Local Government and Public Health dealing with the position
of Clerk of Works under Local Authorities.

Order:- Noted.

Circular letter dated 16th May 1934 from The Valuation Office
dealing with the manner in which Lists of Tenements requiring re-
vision etc., are to be furnished.

Order. Noted.

Receivable Order dated 24th March 1934 from Commissioners of
Public Works transmitted from the Harbour Office for £99. 11. 4
due on 1st May 1934 (Principal Instalment and Interest to 31/4/34)
on foot of Harbour Loans (6801, 6635 & 6637) for which the Council
are Guarantors and which the Harbour Commissioners have failed to
pay.

Order:- To be paid.

Foreshore. The Town Clerk reported that he had completed
and forwarded on 8th May 1934 the Application Form for Loan of
£300 to finish Section of Foreshore Defence Works undertaken and
that he had not yet received a reply. He had sent a reminder on
the 31st ult.,

Order:- Noted.

Letter dated 10th May 1934 (S.42106/34) from the Department
of Local Government and Public Health with reference to payment of

of fees to Mr O'Byrne Engineer and stating that being a Salaried Officer he would not be entitled to extra remuneration in respect of the carrying out of ordinary schemes, but that as the Foreshore Works may be regarded as a work undertaken under special circumstances the Minister will raise no objection to the payment to Mr O'Byrne of remuneration not exceeding 4% of the cost of the Foreshore Scheme.

Order:- To be paid 4 % on Foreshore expenditure.

Housing. Reply dated 8th May 1934 from Messrs Ryan Bros., Contractors for New Houses at Monkton Row, to the complaint of the Engineer as to the use by them of inferior timber.

Also reply of same date from said Contractors as to complaint re damages done to houses under course of construction (See Minutes of 7th May 1934).

Order:- Read.

Letter from Town Surveyor dated 14th May 1934 stating that in his opinion it would be very necessary to have the new water main laid on immediately from Summer Hill to the 22 new houses.

Order:- Three-inch Water Main to be laid by direct labour from Summer Hill.

The Town Clerk reported that the Contract documents relating to the Six additional houses had been finally completed and he had terminated Mr Dickenson's tenancy in the field on which sites were, and notified Engineer and Contractors as to handing over possession of the sites : the period of completion was to date from handing over of possession.

Order:- Satisfactory.

Application of William Dickenson for a Building Lease of a plot on the field at Monkton Row, where the new houses are being built.

The Town Clerk stated he had invited Mr Dickenson to attend the meeting and explain his proposition.

The Town Clerk explained that Mr Dickenson had tilled one corner of the field, and that he had arranged to get Mr Dickenson to sign an agreement for con acre letting of this plot, which agreement he now produced.

Order: Plot as marked out by Surveyor to be given to him on Building Lease at £2. 0. 0 per annum with definite covenants* as to Buildings to be erected. Con acre agreement approved and signed.

Report of J. T. O'Byrne, B.E., Engineer in charge of Housing Contract for 22 houses at Monkton Row, on the progress of the works, stating that at present rate it would appear that the Contract could not possibly be finished at the date prescribed by the Contract viz. 4th July 1934.

Order:- Clerk to warn Contractor to accelerate works.

Certificate from J. T. O'Byrne, Engineer in charge of Housing Scheme for payment of £416 to Messrs Ryan Bros., Contractors showing a total of £3,996 certified to date.

Order:- Noted.

Letter dated 2nd June 1934 from the Clerk of Works pointing out that he found it necessary to remain on the works considerably in excess of locally recognised working hours and that though as he was aware the Contractor had been asked to acquaint him when they (Contractors) proposed to work overtime, he had never yet been so notified.

Order:- Read. Contractor to be written to and warned to notify Clerk of Works.

Monkton Row Clearance Area. The Town Clerk reported that the requisite Notices as to making of "The Wicklow Urban No. 1 (Purchase) Order 1934," had been published and served on the parties concerned.

Order:- Commissioner directed that the maps and documents be now forwarded to the Department of Local Government and Public

Health for confirmation of the Order.

Memorandum dated 22nd May 1934 from Department of Local Government and Public Health with regard to furnishing of information under local Services (Temporary Economies) Act 1934 by Officers of more than one local authority. The Town Clerk reported that he had requisitioned the necessary information from J. T. O'Byrne, Town Surveyor, Dr O'Connor, M.O.H., and S. Conway, Veterinary Inspector - the only officers he was aware of who served under other local authorities, - and to date had received the information from Dr O'Connor only.

Order:- Noted.

Letter dated 31st May 1934 from J. T. O'Byrne, Esq., Town Surveyor requesting payment of fees at 21% on the cost of the Sewerage Extensions (Fitzwilliam Road, Wentworth Place, Public Convenience and Friar's Hill) viz. £967. 10. 0 making his account to be £24. 3. 9. The Town Clerk called attention to the terms of appointment of the Town Surveyor, and stated he had previously submitted this account to the Department for their ruling and no ruling had yet been made.

Order:- Wait ruling from Department.

Letter dated 30th May 1934 (S.68940/34) from Department of Local Government and Public Health stating that there is no objection to the proposal contained in the Minutes of Meeting of 7th May 1934 to pay £100 in full settlement of Mr P. H. McCarthy's Account for fees in connection with the preparation of Waterworks Improvement Scheme.

Order:- To be paid.

Letter dated 24th May 1934 from Mr McCarthy that he was agreeable to accept the £100 in full settlement.

Order:- Noted.

Re Public Convenience, at The Murrrough.

The Town Clerk formally reported again to the Commissioner

the steps taken about opening this for the Public - that a tender for the Caretakership had been invited by Public Advertisement, the remuneration to be the takings from the slot machines. ~~Two~~ Tenders had been received (as already mailed to the Commissioner) viz. (1) Tender dated the 14th May from Nellie Kavanagh, limiting her Caretakership to ladies side only, and agreeing to pay 10s/ for the takings. (2) Tender dated 13th May 1934 from James Smullen agreeing to Caretake and to pay £1. for the takings.

The Town Clerk reported as directed by the Commissioner in his letter of 18th May 1934, he had installed James Smullen as Caretaker on the 20th May and that the place had been open to the public since that date.

Order:- Accepted and Clerk's action approved.

Monthly report of S.S.O., dated 2/6/34.

Order:- Noted.

Adjourned consideration of the Model Bye Laws for the Regulation of Slaughterhouses.

The Town Clerk submitted Report received from Dr O'Connor Medical Officer of Health, but stated that the Model Bye Laws had not been returned to him, nor had he received any report on them from the Town Surveyor.

Order:- Wait Surveyor's report.

Application of William Dickenson to be registered as Cow-keeper, Dairyman and Purveyor of Milk.

Order:- Refused as premises are Scheduled in condemned area.

Complaint dated 14th May 1934, from Winifred Doyle as to the insanitary condition of the approach to the East Pier and near her premises.

Order:- Refer to S.S.O.,

Circ. P.H.30/1930 dated 1st June 1934 from the Department

of Local Government and Public Health dealing with precautionary measures for Epidemic Diarrhoea.

Order:- Send copy to Medical Officer of Health.

Re Letting of Quarry Field at Glen Strand.

The Town Clerk reported that he had informed Mr Thomas O'Carroll of the Commissioner's decision at Meeting on 7th May 1934, but that Mr O'Carroll stated he could not for sometime pay the arrears on the field. He had secured a Promissory Note from Mr O'Carroll to pay before the 30/9/34 and had him sign letting agreement and put him in possession on terms of same and Promissory Note.

Order:- Town Clerk's action approved. Agreement signed.

Re Letting of Two Fields at Ballyguile.

The Town Clerk reported that Mr William Rooney had refused to sign agreement for the letting of fields to him because he stated his tender did not provide for paying rates in addition to price quoted. The Town Clerk reported full facts and submitted all the relevant documents.

Order:- Offer ^{of} William Rooney at £8. 12. 5 plus Poor Rates accepted.

Correspondence from Messrs L. Waldron & Co., re purchase of £287. 16. 3 Dublin Corporation Stock and submitting form from Registrars for completion.

Order:- Noted. Form completed.

To sign and seal Conveyance of Electricity Store in the Town Hall, from E.S.B., to the Commissioner.

Order:- Signed and Sealed.

Arrears of Income Tax.

Order:- Pay £100 on account.

Consideration of payment of Instalments of Council's Loans due Board of Works on 1/5/34 including an instalment of Penal Interest due under arrangement for repaying arrears of same.

Order:- To be paid.

Circular 58/1934 dated 24th May 1934 from Department of Local Government and Public Health on the subject of non-payment of rates by members of Local Authorities.

Order:- Read.

Report on Rate Collection to date:-

Town Rate. Warrant £3984. 18. 6. Collected & Lodged £3651. 8. 0
 Poor Rate. Warrant £2922. 13. 0. Collected and Lodged £2658. 10. 10.

The Rate Collectors had been instructed to close their Collections on or before this date and the Town Clerk now submitted Lists of uncollected rates prepared by them. The Town Clerk stated that the lists were only in draft form as he had not yet been able to balance the Warrants - the figures now appearing showing an over-lodgment of £1 odd shillings in Town Rate Collection and of 2s/7d in Poor Rate Collection.

Order:- Usual Declarations to be made when final figures are reached and amounts to be entered on the Minutes. Collectors to be paid Poundage on the amounts lodged to date subject to sanction of the Department of Local Government and Public Health. The amounts entered on Lists as Temporarily Irrecoverable to be carried forward as appears and the Irrecoverable Items to be written off.

The Town Clerk submitted for the consideration of the Commissioner particulars re arrears of Rates due by (1) Mrs. F. O'Keefe. (2) James Brien Lower Strand Street. (3) Joseph Olohan Quarantine Hill. With the first named he submitted an account of Rates apparently received by the late Town Clerk. (No. 2). Receipts were produced signed by the late Town Clerk showing that all rates were cleared to 1931-32, so that instead of bringing forward arrears of £2. 9. 11 arrears of 9s/4d only should have been brought forward leaving a total rate of £1. 2. 2 payable in 1933-34 instead of £3. 2. 9, of the total £1. was paid to Collector.

(3) Receipts signed by the late Town Clerk were also produced.
 Order:-(1)After examination, Commissioner decided to carry forward £27. 8. 10. Account to be retained for Auditor's inspection. (2) Write off £2. 0. 7. Carry forward 2s/2d.
 (3) Write off £3. 3. 9. Carry forward £1. 14. 8.

The Final Lists of Uncollected Rates accounting in full for the balance of the Warrants and as ascertained in draft before meeting closed are :-

Poor Rate, Irrecoverable £77. 11. 6 Temporarily Uncollected. £185. 7. 11

Town Rate. Do. £76. 11. 2 Do. £207. 19. 1.

An amount of £6. 15. 8 in the Poor Rate Lists and of £10. 15. 10 in the Town Rate Lists was disallowed because the amounts were collected with the rents from the Tenants of Council's houses.

Consideration of the Report of the Veterinary Inspector for May 1934.

Order:- Noted. To be inserted on the Minutes.

Salem, Wicklow, 23. 5. 34. Dear Sir: I have visited Cowsheds and Slaughterhouses in Wicklow Urban Area recently and found the premises in well kept condition. I took Minit Test of a sample of John Lalor's milk and found it very free from any trace of dirt. Yours faithfully, (Signed) S. Conway.

Consideration of Report received from the Caretaker of the Waterworks, dated 4th June 1934.

Order:- Noted. Report to be inserted in Minutes. Public to be asked to observe greatest caution and conserve water where possible.

Waterworks, 4th June 1934, Dear Sir: I beg to report that the streams feeding the Reservoir were decreased in supply within the past fortnight, and that it will be necessary to use all our powers to enforce strictest economy and to conserve water supplies during the coming months. I am at present engaged on night tests and house to house inspections, and should there

be any danger later in the Summer, of the water supplies giving out, I will give ample warning to the Town Clerk. Your Obedient Servant, (Signed) John DeCourcy.

Letter G.60110/34 dated 15th May 1934 from Department of Local Government and Public Health intimating that the Minister for that Department had sanctioned such departure from the terms of the Public Bodies Order 1925 as will enable the rate for the financial year 1934-34 to be made by a date not later than 16th June 1934.

Order:- Noted.

Consideration of making of Town and Poor Rates for the year 1934-35. The Town Clerk vouched publication of Notices of Intention to make Rates.

Order:- Town Rates. That I make the following Rate and Assessments as herein set forth upon all occupiers and owners of all lands and other hereditaments situate in the Urban District of Wicklow, for the year 1934-35, liable for same viz. a Town Rate of 132d in the £. whereof 181d is for Principal and Interest of Wicklow (Town) Stock raised to pay off Luscombe Mortgage expended on the repairs and improvements of Wicklow Harbour ; 4d for special Loan under Wicklow Harbour Advances Act, 1897, 36d for necessary expenditure under the Towns Improvements (Ireland) Act 1854, Local Government Act 1925 including 24d for Urban Roads, 16d is for necessary expenditure under The Public Health Acts (ordinary), 6½d is for repayment of Instalments of Loans raised for necessary expenses under the Public Health Acts, 21d is for repayment of Principal and Interest for Housing Loans, 9½d is to repay Principal and Interest on Loan to pay arrears of Income Tax and 21d is to repay Principal and Interest on Loan to pay arrears of other debts. That the Common Seal of The Wicklow Urban District Council be affixed to the Statement at the foot of the Town Rate Book for 1934-35 of The Wicklow Urban District Council. That notice of my having made the

said Rates be published as required by law and that the said Rates are due and payable from and after the publication of the said Notice.

Patrick J. Meghen.

Poor Rates. That I make for year ended 31st March 1935 on all property situate in the Urban District of Wicklow rateable under the provisions of The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898 and the Local Government Act 1925 and the Acts incorporated therewith and extending and amending same, a Poor Rate Collectable as such of 75.6 pence in the £. made up of :-

16.247	pence	in	respect	of	Roads.
21.552	"	"	"	"	County Services.
35.551	"	"	"	"	Poor Relief.
2.254	"	"	"	"	Board of Health Charges.

all being General Charges. And for the Separate Charges
 3.097 for Wicklow Harbour leviable over all Wicklow Urban Area.
 0.283 for Rathdrum Union Loans " " " " " "
 0.032 for Criminal Injury Award " " " " " "
 1.5 for Arklow Harbour leviable over that portion of the
 Barony of Arklow in the Wicklow Urban Area.

That said Poor Rate shall be payable in two moieties viz. the 1st moiety payable on the publication of the required notice and the 2nd payable on the 1st October 1934. AND that Notice of my having made said Rate be published as required by law and the the Common Seal of the Wicklow Urban District Council be affixed to the Statement at the foot of the Poor Rate Book (1934-35) for Wicklow Urban District Council.

Patrick J. Meghen.

Rate Collectors Warrants.

Order:- That the Common Seal of The Wicklow Urban District Council be affixed to the Warrants of the Town and Poor Rate Collectors as prepared by the Town Clerk and as this day submitted to me:-

Town Rate:- £3422. 13. 9 (Current) plus £207. 19. 1 (Arrears)
 Total £3630. 12. 10.
 Poor Rate:- £2441. 11. 10 (Current) plus £185. 7. 11 (Arrears)
 Total £2626. 19. 9.

Patrick J. Meghen,

Commissioner,

4. 6. 34.

The Commissioner signed the following Advice Notes:-

General Account	£867. 16. 6
Housing Account	£433. 17. 0
Poor Rate Account	4. 11. 6

P. Meghen