

Item 8a. Building Lease to be granted for 75 years at £8. 0. 0 per annum to Mr Finlayson of the field in question, Mr Finlayson not to assign or sublet any of the land without the Council's consent and to build such number of houses thereon as agreed between him and Town Surveyor - at least two dwellinghouses to be built and finished within 18 months from delivery of Lease.

Item 9. Letter (P.H.1149/2/38) of 30/3/38 from Department of Local Government sanctioning in the circumstances the acceptance of Tender of John Lalor for supply and delivery of non-tuberculin-tested milk for Free Milk Scheme at 1s/6d per gallon, but stating that the price was excessive.

Letter (G.5963/3/38) of 25/3/38 sanctioning overdraft up to £450 up to 15/4/38.

Letter (S.2801) of 9/3/38 from Valuation Office re appeals pending to Circuit Court, stating Commissioner would be glad to have Council represented.

Council to take no action.

Letter (G.10417/38) of 1/4/38 from Department of Local Government stating that if Town Clerk's view that they are not selling the plot is correct no Conveyance would be required and the Minister would have no functions in the matter.

Matter left to Council's Solicitor to negotiate price with Solicitor on other side.

Application from Collector Kennedy for a further month to close his Warrants.

Granted to 1/5/38 subject to sanction.

Resolutions from (a) United Notional Leaseholders Association (b) Anti-Partitionist Convention and (c) Dail Courts Association were adopted.

Letter from Miss McBride of 4/4/38 stating that she saw no alternative to Council proceeding with demolition of her house.

Miss McBride to be notified that unless house vacated within a week proceedings would be taken.

Proposed by Councillor E. Lalor,

Seconded by Councillor C. W. Hudson and passed

That the Chairman sign on behalf of the Council way-leave agreement with Reps. M. Kennedy for Water Scheme.

The Town Clerk read his letter of 2/4/38 to J. Duffy calling on him to vacate house held by him as Caretaker for Council at Carroll's Bank.

Approved.

Letter from J. McCall as to condition of his house at New Street and asking that it be given same publicity as letter of tenant J. Thompson.

Read.

Letters from Mrs Corkish and Reuben Dover for transfers to new houses.

Adjourn for favourable consideration when houses

in St. Dominick's Road and old Dunbur Lane are finished and being allotted.

Letter from A. White, Convent Road, dated 4/4/38 asking for new house.

Adjourn for favourable consideration.

Letter from T. O'Carroll, Summer Hill, re his houses at Castle Street, explaining why he did not attend Council Meeting on 25/2/38 re his houses and stating he would carry out improvement to the houses.

County Medical Officer of Health and Town Surveyor to be asked for further report and requirements on the houses.

Letter from P. Henry, Kilmantin Hill, asking for new house.

Adjourn until Bye Laws are in operation.

It was unanimously agreed to adjourn remaining business to a Meeting to be held at 7.30 p.m., on Tuesday 12/4/38.

James Swerell

Minutes of Adjourned Monthly (April)
Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council
held at 7.30 p.m., on Tuesday 12th April, 1938,
the following Notice having been sent to each
Member on the 6th April, 1938:-

Dear Sir: By direction of the Council at their Meeting on the 5th inst., an adjourned Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held at 7.30 p.m., on 12/4/38 to deal with the matters not dealt with on 5/4/38 and the matters adjourned thereto on 5/4/38, including Councillor O'Connor's rescinding motion of which you received Notice from me on the 1st April, 1938. You are requested to attend said Meeting.

Yours faithfully, John McGrath.

Present: Councillors J. Everett, T.D., (Presiding), C. W. Hudson,
D. H. Haskins, E. Lalor, A. Dunne, W. O'Grady, J. Clarke, M. McMahon,
T. J. Doran, J. O'Connor, J. Olohan.

Letter (G.101417/38) of 1/4/38 from Department of Local Government and Public Health dealing with the price of Friar's Hill plot was re-submitted and the Town Clerk reported that he had seen the Solicitor on the other side as directed at Meeting on 5/4/38 and had agreed on price of £40 - a Conveyance to be given at the expense of Earl Fitzwilliam.

Agreed.

The Town Clerk reported that only one member of the deputation appointed to interview the Railway Company about better travelling facilities to and from Wicklow etc., was able to attend Kingsbridge at 3 p.m., on 11/4/38 and that he had accompanied that member (C. W. Hudson) and they had been received by two officials who heard the several points raised and promised to have them sympathetically considered.

Item 3 from Monthly Agenda.

After hearing Town Surveyor and Law Adviser's views, it was agreed to pay £75 to Mr Power for the execution of the works submitted by him to his house, he to waive all conditions, and Council to have no further responsibility and to sign an agreement accordingly. The money to be paid without prejudice and without admitting the Council's liability for damage by the alleged sewer, in two instalments viz. 50% when half work done and balance when work was finished.

Item 5 from Monthly Agenda.

A letter dated 11/4/38 was read from Mr J. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, in reply to Town Clerk's letter of 6th idem. stating that Mrs McCarroll was prepared to do all necessary repairs to the three houses at Woodenbridge.

Adjourn to May Meeting.

Item 6 (a) and (b) from Monthly Agenda.

(a) Proposed by Councillor J. O'Connor,
Seconded by Councillor M. McMahon,

That the Council's decision of the 5/1/37 to adopt the report of the County Medical Officer of Health condemning the seven houses in Lower Monkton Row the property of the Repts. Mrs Hamilton be rescinded.

There was no amendment and the Chairman on putting the Resolution and having heard the number saying "Ay" declared the Resolution carried.

(b) The making of a Compulsory Acquisition Order re the sites of Miss Wall's 15 houses at Castle Street was adjourned to next Meeting, it to be ascertained in the meantime if there were any other houses in the area that should be properly included in the Order.

Item 8 from Monthly Agenda.

A Report was read from Town Agent and Rent Collector that Mrs Kavanagh had given him the key and possession of the house No. 10, Kilmantin Road on 11/4/38.

A question was raised as to where Mrs Kavanagh was now residing and it being stated that she had returned to the house in Upper Strand Street, the subject of a Demolition Order, no action was taken.

Other items in Rent Collector's Report was referred to Town Surveyor, and it was ordered that in future he send complaints of a similar kind to Engineer direct.

On the Proposition of Councillor D. H. Haskins,
Seconded by Councillor C. W. Hudson,

The Demolition Order in respect of a house at Lower Strand Street occupied by John Sillery (E. J. Canavan alleged owner) was sealed as agreed to at Meeting on 5/4/38.

Mr W. Dempsey of Messrs E. & W. Dempsey, Contractors, was heard on the complaints made to them from time to time about their failure to employ local labour.

Amount as certified and authorised to be paid to the Contractors.

Tenders were received from W. Dickenson and E. Dickenson for the fields they had last year at same prices viz. £7 and Rates and £2 and rates. No other tenders were received and they were accepted.

Applications were received from Mrs John Duffy, S. Corkish and Anne Ronan for house in St. Bride's Road which it was stated was about to be vacated by J. Moody. It was also stated that Mrs Sinnott was looking for a transfer to one of those houses.

Adjourn to Committee to be held on 26/4/38

Application was made by Thomas Byrne of No. 3, Kilmantin Road, for permission to erect an out office at the back of the house.

Granted subject to work being done according to specification of Town Surveyor.

Letter of 2/4/38 from Town Agent and Rent Collector applying to be made permanent and that the remuneration be increased from 2½% to 5%, also submitting his account.

Councillor McMahon gave notice that he would move at next Meeting that Mr B. Kavanagh be made permanent in his position - the question of increasing the remuneration to be considered in Committee on 26/4/38.

Item 10 from Monthly Agenda.

The Town Sergeant's Report was submitted and his annual uniform granted.

The Reports of Waterworks Overseer and Veterinary Inspector were read.

Any other correspondence was left over to Committee to meet on 26/4/38 when questions dealing with further houses condemned or to be inspected are also to be considered.

James Everett

Minutes of Monthly (May) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on 3rd May, 1938, pursuant to the following Notice sent to each Member on the 29th April, 1938:-

Dear Sir: The Monthly Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday the 3rd May, 1938.

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held at 7.30 p.m., on Tuesday the 3rd May, 1938 to deal with the following:-

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meetings of 5/4/38 and 12/4/38.
2. To consider Reports of Finance and General Purposes Committee from Meetings held on 26/4/38 and 3/5/38.
3. To deal with the following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor M. McMahon (notified on the 12/4/38):-

"That Bernard Kavanagh be now appointed permanently to the position of Town Agent and Rent Collector for the Wicklow Urban District Council on the terms and conditions as heretofore when he held the position but subject to such increased remuneration as the Council shall determine."

4. To execute Compulsory Purchase Order or Orders in respect of houses in Castle Street the property of Miss Wall and (unless otherwise agreed in the meantime), 5 houses in Castle Street the property of Thomas Carroll.
5. To consider draft Building Lease to Mr A. Finlayson.
6. Correspondence.
7. Reports of Officers and Rate Collection.
8. Rule on Free Milk Applications.

You are requested to attend said Meetings.

Yours faithfully, John McGrath.

Present : Councillors J. Everett, T.D., (Presiding), W. O'Grady, R. B. Haskins, J. Clarke, A. Dunne, M. McMahon, T. J. Doran, C. W. Hudson, J. Olohan.

Also present : J. T. O'Byrne, B.E., Town Surveyor.

In Committee the following matters were first dealt with:-

The Bank Pass Books for the different Accounts written up to the 30/4/38 were examined and proposals for payments were considered and recommended for payment as follows:-

General Account	£225.	5.	0
Housing No. 3 Account	1201.	0.	0
Waterworks Impr. Scheme A/c.	21.	0.	0

A letter dated 3/5/38 from Messrs E. & W. Dempsey, Contractors was read in which they pointed out that they sustained heavy loss on the erection of the 120 houses owing to rise in

in prices of materials and Trade Dispute and asked the Council if they could take any steps as other Public Bodies had done, with Government sanction to recoup their losses, and it was recommended

"That in view of the terms of Messrs Dempsey's letter we request the Local Government Department to increase the subsidy payable in respect of the houses as to permit the Council to contribute to Messrs Dempsey's loss when ascertained - this and any further step taken in this matter to be without prejudice to the Council's legal rights under the Contract."

A letter from the Chairman stating that in view of certain matters he had communicated verbally to the Town Clerk he wished to have the question of his resignation on the Agenda, was discussed in full and in response to the unanimous request of the Councillors present the Chairman agreed to withdraw the letter.

Item 1. Minutes confirmed.

Item 2. The following Report of the Finance and General Purposes Committee from their Meeting on the 26/4/38 after notice to each Member as follows:-

Dear Sir: By arrangement at last Meeting of the Council, the Finance and General Purposes Committee of same will meet at 7.30 p.m., on Tuesday 26th inst., to consider :-

1. Further steps to be taken on houses reported on as unfit (particularly house in Castle Street), further complaints re unfit houses and steps to be taken in connection with houses the subject of Demolition or Clearance Orders in operation.
2. Making of further lettings of new houses and also of house at St. Bride's Road vacated by John Moody.
3. Application of Town Agent and Rent Collector for increased poundage.

You are requested to attend said Meeting.

Yours faithfully, John McGrath.

Present : Councillors J. Everett, T.D., (Presiding), A. Dunne, J. Clarke, C. W. Hudson, W. O'Grady, R. B. Haskins, T. J. Doran, E. Lalor and J. Olohan.

The requirements of the County Medical Officer of Health and Town Surveyor as to the following houses were read and the recommendations were made as shown :-

1. House in Strand St., owned by F. Murphy and occupied by Mrs Leahy.
2. Seven houses owned by Reps. M. Hamilton at Lower Monkton Row.
3. Four houses at High Street owned by Reps. Pim.
4. House Lower Monkton Row occupied by G. Byrne and owned by Miss Wall.

Re-commended that the requirements in all the foregoing cases be sent to the owners and they be asked if they will undertake to comply and within what time.

5. Five houses at Castle Street owned by Thomas Carroll. The Town Clerk reported that he had shown Mr Carroll the requirements in those cases and Mr Carroll said he was afraid he could not undertake them.

Recommended that Mr Carroll be offered £8 per site subject to sanction preparatory to their being formally condemned and included in a Compulsory Purchase Order.

Dr G. P. G. Beckett's Report on house occupied by Mrs H. Kavanagh and owned by Mrs May in which he stated that the house should be demolished was also read, and no action was taken.

Applications for new houses from J. Conway, Patrick Rice and Frances Cunningham were read and a discussion followed as to steps to be taken with reference to these and recurring applications. The Town Clerk suggested that the County Medical Officer of Health and Town Surveyor should be invited to attend a Committee Meeting with a view to getting some settled plan and standard as to unfit houses in the Town and perhaps a general survey.

It was recommended that it be made known that for the 120 houses now in course of erection, tenants were already available and that if further houses were condemned houses would not be available for tenants from this Scheme.

Letter of 12/4/38 from Town Surveyor submitting list of defects in dwellinghouses showing the more serious of which would be regarded as definitely unfit for habitation.

Copy list handed to each Member.

The Town Clerk indicated that there were now a number of houses ready for demolition and that the Council's men had taken down some of the Council's own houses.

No action was recommended for the present.

Item 2. It was agreed to let No. 10, Kilmantin Road, to John Sillery of Bond Street.

Applications were received from Sam Corkish, Mrs Ronan, Mrs Duffy and Mrs Cooney for house in St. Bride's Road, vacated by John Moody.

It was unanimously recommended to allot the house to Mrs Ronan who was in a condemned house.

Notice of Surrender by John O'Neill of house in Dunbur Road was read. Miss McBride applied for first house at Carroll's corner and it was recommended that she be offered No. 18, Kilmantin Road.

Item 3. After hearing the estimated figures given by the Town Clerk that a poundage of 1s/- would give a remuneration of £144; of 9d a remuneration of £108 and of 6d (present rate £72, it was unanimously recommended to increase the poundage payable to Mr B. Kavanagh as Town Agent and Rent Collector to 9d in the £. and allow him £5 per annum for stamps etc., the increase to date from 1st April, 1938, and his Account for year ending 31/3/38 amounting to £24. 8. 0 be paid at next Meeting.

Application by Thomas Kearney on behalf of his mother to be allowed to pay off rates of £71 odd by instalments of £2 per month was read and referred to Collector.

Letter from Mr Byrne "Sunburst" The Promenade, Wicklow, was read in which (inter alia) he stated that Councillor Doran had no authority from him to make a proposal for his transfer to another house.

Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson,
Seconded by Councillor J. Clarke and passed

That the Report of the Committee as now read be confirmed and adopted.

The Report of the Committee Meeting on the 3/5/38 as set out above was also adopted and payments were authorised accordingly.

Item 3.

Proposed by Councillor M. McMahon,
Seconded by Councillor J. Clarke and passed unanimously

That Bernard Kavanagh be now appointed permanently to the position of Town Agent and Rent Collector for the Wicklow Urban District Council on the terms and conditions as heretofore when he held the position but subject to such increased remuneration as the Council shall determine.

Note:- The increased remuneration is set forth in the Report of the Committee Meetings report from their Meeting on 26/4/38 as set out above and adopted at this Meeting of the Council.

Items 4 & 5. The Town Clerk pointed out that owing to dislocation of work by reason of alterations in the office it was not possible to have the matters for those items in readiness and suggested that they be adjourned.

Order : Items to be adjourned.

Item 6. Letter F.62/8/37 of the 5/4/38 from Department of Finance explanatory of deficiency in recoupment on foot of Harbour Claim and stating that the deficiencies will remain unpaid.

Read.

The following letters from the Department of Local Government and Public Health were read and orders made as shown:-

Letter H.9367/2/38 of 20/4/38 stating that by reason of the fact that the road via Terret Lane and Sewer were required in connection with the Housing Scheme of 20 houses Grants would not be available towards those works.

Read also reply to same of 23/4/38 from Town Clerk who stated that he had been verbally informed since that the Grants would be given.

Approved.

Letter H.187/9/38 of 23/4/38 sanctioning application for Supplemental Loan of £2,500 for Scheme of 120 houses.

Read.

Letter G.10417/2/38 of 2/5/38 stating proceeds of sale of Friar's

Hill Plot should be invested.

In view of the trifling amount request Department to allow it to be applied to Revenue.

Letter RU/205/5 intimating that Grants for the year 1938/39 under the Employment Scheme (Roads Urban) would be £2,095 on the basis of the Council providing £285 and subject to usual conditions.

Read.

Letter H.101466/37 of 27/4/38 in connection with Band Street Clearance Order stating that there is no power under the Housing Acts to confirm the Order as the property belonged to the Council but that Minister is satisfied that the houses are unfit for human habitation and Council should re-house the inhabitants at the earliest opportunity

Read.

Circ. letter of 23/4/38 from Youghal U.D.C., re Town Traders and Co-Operative Creameries.

Read.

Letter of 23/4/38 from Town Clerk, Bray, stating as Hon Sec. to Association of Municipal Authorities in Ireland requesting Council to urge Department of Agriculture re means Test for Fishermen.

Agreed.

The Town Clerk reported that as directed by the Council some Meetings ago he had advertised for sale the scrap iron etc., that was on the Council's hands. The following tenders were submitted :-

A. Weinberg, Dublin at £27s/6d per ton.
J. Woolfson, Dublin at 30s/- " "
Patrick Donovan, Wexford, at 37s/6d per ton.

It was agreed to accept tender of P. Donovan at 37s/6d per ton to be weighed and delivered at Town Hall.

The only tender received for old roofing timbers and slates was from Mr Kavanagh, Dunbur, viz. £1. 0. 0 for timber and £1. 10. 0 for slates and same was accepted.

Letter from Thomas Carroll, Summer Hill, in reply to Council's offer to acquire sites of his houses at Castle Street at £8 per site, stating he was willing to convert the two houses into one and do necessary repairs.

Refer to Engineer and Doctor as to suitability of Mr Carroll's proposal.

Complaints dated 1/5/38 from H. Nalty and Mrs Cunningham, High Street as to unfit condition of their houses.

Matter left over as suitable action was being taken.

Complaint from James Thompson as to unsuitability and unfit state of his house at New Street.

Matter allowed to stand as suitable action was being taken.

Town Surveyor wrote on 26/4/38 pointing out that some of the Streets required attention and suggested the ordering of 5 tons of Tar and 20 tons of Chippings.

Agreed to.

The Undertaking of Mrs A. Ring as to house at Strand Street (recently occupied by D. Doyle) was submitted and accepted.

Letter from Treasurer agreeing to leave over the discharge of account for Interest on Overdraft until July.

Application from A. Finlayson for permission to take some rubble from Ball Alley.

Granted at 2s/- a lorry load up to a limit as allowed by Town Surveyor.

Application of P. Vickers, Lower Monkton Row for a new house.

Being attended to.

Application from Charles Farrell for house at Dunbur Road vacated by J. O'Neill.

Granted.

Report from Dr O'Connor, Medical Officer of Health on nuisance in house at High Street occupied by James Byrne arising from smell of pigs and recommending that "if there are any Pig Acts in force they should be complied with."

The Town Clerk read Sec. 57 of the Public Health Act 1878.

Write Reps. Pim to carry out the improvements as early as possible.

Complaint of Mrs Mary Brien, New Street, of nuisance from Demolition of houses in Coates Lane.

Write Mrs Delahunt to clear these houses and leave sites in proper condition.

Application of Miss A. O'Connor for use of Kiosk at Clarke's Plot as last Season.

Agreed to up to 31st August 1938 on same terms as last year.

Letter from Miss McBride inquiring if she had any claim to a new house if she stored her furniture and stating her grievance.

Read.

The Town Clerk reported that the Waterworks Overseer had represented to him that the Town Surveyor had asked him to take readings twice weekly of a water gauge at Ballyteskin and that he thought it outside the ambit of his duties and that as the work was urgent he asked the Overseer to do it and that he would recommend the Council to allow him 2s/6d per week as travelling allowance.

Agreed to as travelling allowance during the time of taking readings - subject to sanction.

Letter from W. Goodman, Castle Street, asking for one of the front houses at Castle Street.

Adjourned until allotting houses.

It was agreed to get Railings and 28 houses painted - Mr O'Byrne Town Surveyor to report on Woodenbridge.

The Agreement for letting space at Murrough for Ball Room Marquee as signed by A. Dunne, Secretary of the Committee of same was signed by Chairman on behalf of the Council.

The Town Surveyor applied to have money available for Sand Washer under the Waterworks Improvement Scheme applied to provision of bath and hot and cold water in Overseer's house.

Agreed to up to a limit of £60.

The Town Clerk reported that he hoped to submit Estimates for Rates for current year this month and he was authorised to have a Committee Meeting on the 20th May 1938.

The Town Clerk was directed to call the Department's attention to delay in getting result of Housing Inquiry.

Item 7. Reports read. The public to be appealed to on the question of conserving water supply. Mr P. Brien to be notified about complaints re his Dairy premises.

Item 8. Ruled on.

W. J. Grady
14-6-38

Minutes of Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday 17th May, 1938, pursuant to the following Notice sent to each Member on the 12th May, 1938 :-

Dear Sir: A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday next the 17th inst., pursuant to the following Requisition:-

To/ The Town Clerk, Wicklow.

You are hereby requested to call a special meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council on Tuesday 17th inst., at 7.30 p.m., to deal with the following matters:-

1. To consider the offer of a Grant of £2,000 towards cost of proposed Foreshore Protection Works which are estimated to cost £4,000 and if accepted to take any necessary steps required to raise the Council's share and to initiate the works before 1st prox.,
2. To pass the necessary Resolutions to send for Confirmation the Bye Laws dealing with houses divided into separate tenements designed to relieve overcrowding.
3. To consider any Departmental communications received dealing with (a) the Housing Scheme (120 houses), (b) the Housing Scheme (20 Houses) and (c) Grants in aid of Roads and sewers for same and to make any consequential arrangements.

Dated this 12th day of May, 1938.

(Signed) John Olohan. William O'Grady. Michael McMahon.
David H. Haskins. Robt. B. Haskins.

You are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully, John McGrath.

Present : Councillors J. Everett, T.D., (Presiding), J. Olohan, A. Dunne, R. B. Haskins, J. Clarke, D. H. Haskins, M. McMahon, J. O'Connor, T. J. Doran.

Item 1. Letters Numbered S.2540/6/38 of the 10/5/38 from Department of Local Government and Public Health referring to previous correspondence in regard to the Foreshore Protection Works in the Urban District the cost of which is estimated at £4,000 stating that approval of the Minister for Finance to the allocation of a Grant of proportion of the cost of the Scheme, that the maximum Grant payable will be £2,000 and setting forth other conditions including the production of a Sealed Undertaking from the Council to maintain the works and the completion of the enclosed Forms and the necessity for the Council for meeting the balance of the cost of the Scheme.

The Town Clerk intimated that he estimated the raising of the amount of £2,000 would entail an increase of rates for some years of 6d in the £. and if for 20 years would decrease down to 3d in the last year.

Proposed by Councillor M. McMahon,
Seconded by Councillor A. Dunne and passed unanimously,

That the work on the Foreshore Scheme be proceeded

with on the basis of a £4,000 expenditure and the Government Grant to be at least £2,000 the Council to raise the balance by a 25 year Loan, if possible the Railway Company to be asked to make a contribution.

The necessary form were order to be completed.

Item 2. Proposed by Councillor J. Olohan,
Seconded by Councillor J. Clarke and passed unanimously,

That the Bye Laws with respect to house divided into separate tenements etc., designed to deal with overcrowding in same be now sent for Confirmation by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

Item 3. Letter H.9367/3/38 of 5/5/38 from the Department of Local Government and Public Health with reference to the proposal to erect 20 better class houses at Ballynerrin, asking for detailed information from the Council's Engineer as to the general proposals of the Council for the development of all the available sites in their possession and asking for a survey of the Housing needs of the Town to be undertaken by the Engineer and Medical Officer of Health with a view to ascertaining the present requirements for (a) Slum Clearance purposes and (b) normal housing.

Order: Engineer and Doctor to furnish necessary information as soon as possible.

Letter H.568/4/38 of 11/5/38 stating that the Minister will raise no objection to the Council's proposal to pay the Contractors £700 on account of their claim under the Conditions of Employment Act in connection with erection of 120 houses if Engineer is satisfied and asking that a detailed statement be furnished to the Department.

Read.

The Town Clerk stated he had no further communication from the Department with reference to the Housing Schemes or Grants for Roads etc., but that in a Telephone conversation he had with the Department he learned that the Confirmation of the Clearance Orders were printed and might be expected in the course of a day or two.

The following other matters were dealt with as matters of urgency:

Letter from Mr Byrne of "Sunburst" The Promenade, Wicklow, dated 18/4/38 addressed to the Chairman and repudiating Councillor Doran's authority for stating he was willing to give up his house or transfer to another house was again read - it having been read at a Committee Meeting on 26/4/38 when a number of members had left.

Read.

Letter with signatures of M. Cuffe, M. Byrne, M. J. Wall, Mrs Davidson and W. Brennan attached addressed to the Chairman and received by him on 4/5/38 at Town Hall, in which they complained of the ill-effects the new Dancing Marquee on Sea Front would have on their property and means of living.

Proposed by Councillor D. H. Haskins,
Seconded by Councillor M. McMahon and passed unanimously,

That we request both Licensees of the Dancing Marquees to close their Dancing Marquees at 11 p.m., on ordinary nights.

It was also mentioned by Councillors that if after a year's trial

this new Marquee was shown to be an nuisance to the Ratepayers in the locality the Council should consider opposing the License but no definite order was made.

The Town Clerk submitted a Witness Summons served on him on the 12/5/38 to appear and produce Council's documents at the hearing ~~at~~ at Wicklow District Court of a case of B. O'Toole, Town Sergeant, versus Ellen Kavanagh, Upper Strand Street, and asked for a direction in view of the production of documents.

Order: Council's Books to be taken if the Justice requires them. - Councillor A. Dunne dissenting.

Permission was granted to Milk Producers to have a Meeting in the Town Hall on 20/5/38 between 7 and 9 p.m.,

The application of M. J. Butler, Jnr., for permission to erect a Diving Board was marked "No objection."

Mr J. T. O'Byrne's application to allow £54 as an extra to Messrs. Dempsey for putting separate Bath apartments in 12 single-storey houses at Monkton Row.

Mrs Heatley by letter of 9/5/38 informed the Council that she had now acquired her sister's (Mrs McDonagh) interest in the two houses Leitrim Cottages recently occupied by Misses Condron and MacBride and asked that the new Lease be granted in her name and that she intended to re-construct and asked the Council not to insist on complete Demolition.

Engineer to report when roofs are removed.

Letter dated 13/5/38 from Thomas Kelly, Castle Street, and Mrs M. Bell of Castle Street, as to bad condition of their houses inspected and reported on by Doctor and Engineer were read and left over as certain steps were being taken, the Council expressing the view that the condemnation of any further houses did not insure a new house from present Scheme for occupants.

Like action was taken on a note from Dr O'Connor re Mrs Giff's house.

On the Proposition of the Chairman,
Seconded by Councillor D. H. Haskins,

A Vote of Condolence with Councillor Hudson on the occasion of the death of his brother was passed, all Members and Town Clerk desiring to be associated with it.

The Town Clerk was directed to convey to Councillor Hudson the Council's expression of their deep sympathy with him.

It was agreed to have the special Committee Meeting for consideration of the Estimates for 1938/39 on Tuesday the 24th May 1938 instead of Friday 20th May, as previously arranged.

W O'Grady
14-6-38

On the proposition of Councillor William O'Grady seconded by Councillor John Olohan the following resolution was passed unanimously :-

"It is resolved that the Wicklow Urban District Council make application to the Minister for Local Government & Public Health for a Grant for the purpose of carrying out the Foreshore Protection Works which is being undertaken by the Council with a view to the provision of Employment for unemployed persons, and it is further requested that the Minister in pursuance of Sec.6 (1) of the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Act 1921, as extended, will issue a certificate to that effect so that the money borrowed for the carrying out of the work shall not be reckoned as part of the debt of the Council for the purpose of any enactment limiting their powers of borrowing."

W O'Grady

Chairman

Date 17th May 1938

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council at their Meeting on the 17th May 1938

Clerk to the Council.

Minutes of adjourned Monthly (June)
Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council
held on Tuesday 14th June 1938, pursuant to
the following Notice sent to each Member on
3/6/38 and to adjournment on 7/6/38:

Dear Sir: The Monthly Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes
Committee of the Wicklow Urban District Council, of which you are a
member, will be held on Tuesday 7th inst., at 7 p.m.,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will
be held on Tuesday 7th inst., at 7.30 p.m., to deal with the following:-

1. To confirm Minutes of Meetings of 3/5/38 and 17/5/38 (Copies
herewith).
2. To consider Reports of Finance and General Purposes Committee
from Meetings on 24/5/38, 27/5/38 and 7/6/38.
3. To consider Clerk's Estimates for 11s/7d Town Rates and 7s/8d
Poor Rates for 1938/39 and Committee's recommendation of Town Rate
of 11s/4d and Poor Rate of 7s/8d.
4. To consider again the means of financing the Foreshore Protect-
ion Works and if agreed to, to make necessary provision in Estimates.
5. To execute Compulsory Purchase Order in respect of houses in
Castle Street the property of Miss Wall.
6. Correspondence.
7. Reports of Officers.
8. Free Milk Applications.

You are requested to attend said Meetings.

Yours faithfully, John McGrath.

Present : Councillors W. O'Grady, (Presiding), D. H. Haskins, A. Dunne,
C. W. Hudson, J. Olohan and M. McMahon.

Item 1. Minutes confirmed.

Item 2. Report of Special Meeting of Finance and General Purposes
Committee held on 24/5/38 pursuant to Notice sent to each
Member on 21/5/38, as follows:-

The Finance and General Purposes Committee of the
Wicklow Urban District Council, of which you are a Member, will
meet on Tuesday 24th inst., at 7.30 p.m., to consider Clerk's
Estimates for Town and Poor Rate for the year 1938/39.
You are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully, John McGrath.

Present : Councillors W. O'Grady, (Presiding), A. Dunne, and
C. W. Hudson.

Owing to small attendance the business proper of the
Meeting was adjourned to 7.30 p.m., on 27/5/38.

It was recommended that the house vacant in Dunbur Terrace
be granted to James J. Conway, Kilmantin Hill - the only applicant
for same.

It was recommended that the use of the Town Hall be given for
a Meeting of a Branch of the County Wicklow '98 Association.

Mr J. T. O'Byrne, B.E., Town Surveyor, having notified the
resignation of P. Howard, B.E., as Clerk of Works on the Housing
Scheme from the 24/5/38 and recommended Mr Johnston, B.E., as
Clerk of Works in his place, it was recommended that the Town
Surveyor's action be approved subject to sanction.

Adjourned Meeting on 27/5/38.

Present : Councillors J. Everett, T.D., (Presiding), W. O'Grady,
D. H. Haskins, J. Olohan, M. McMahon, J. Clarke, R. B. Haskins,
A. Dunne, C. W. Hudson and J. O'Connor.

The Town Clerk presented his Estimates in detail showing the
necessity for 11s/7d Town Rate and 7s/8d Poor Rate (an increase
of 3d on the combined rate for 1937/38 and read his report ex-
planatory of the increase.

It was unanimously recommended that the Town Surveyor's
Estimate for Roads of £1025. 10. 0 together with amounts required
for development of Terret Lane and new extension road of same be
formulated as a Scheme to meet Grant of £2095 and that the Council
levy £285 as their contribution towards same which together with
£200 required for Council's men on Road work would necessitate
a sum of £485 for Roads on Rates for 1938/39.

It was also unanimously recommended that the Town Clerk's
Estimate of 11s/7d for Town Rates be reduced to 11s/4d and that
~~the~~ his Poor Rate Estimate of 7s/8d be adopted thereby leaving
the combined Rate the same as last year viz. 19s/--.

In the case of the operation of the Clearance Order for
Morton's Lane it was recommended on a letter of 21/5/38 from Mr
J. Sheane that the Demolition Order be not operated for a number
of years, provided Mr Sheane carried out the structural altera-
tions he had already agreed on.

Letter dated 26/5/38 from Mr Byrne of "Sunburst" The Promen-
ade, Wicklow, addressed to the Chairman was adjourned to June
Meeting.

Messrs E. & W. Dempsey Ltd., having by letter dated 25/5/38
addressed to the Chairman renewed their application for relief on
the loss sustained by them on the Contract for 120 houses, it was
recommended that an order be made that the Council regret they
they were unable to raise any loan for the purpose.

It was recommended that the application of Mrs Brien of
22, Kilmantin Road for a transfer to No. 2, St. Laurence's Road
be agreed to

An application of Mrs Kilbride of Upper Strand Street for
one of the houses to be vacated in St. Dominick's Road instead of
going to Ballynerrin was adjourned to June Meeting.

An application of W. Hayden, Upper Strand Street for No. 17
or 18, Kilmantin Road was adjourned to June Meeting.

The Joint Report of the County Medical Officer of Health and Town Surveyor as to the Housing requirements in Wicklow dated 27/5/38 showing that in their opinion 74 further houses were required for Slum Clearance was read and it was recommended that it be forwarded together with an addendum from the Council that they are of opinion that having relieved the slum problem in four years by two-thirds the remaining one-third can be dealt with in the next four years and that they should now be allowed to proceed with the scheme of 20 houses submitted by them in 1935.

Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson,
Seconded by Councillor M. McMahon and passed,

That the Report be adopted.

Item 3.

Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson,
Seconded by Councillor M. McMahon and passed,

That the Committee's recommendation for rates for current year viz. 11s/4d Town Rate and 7s/8d Poor Rate be adopted.

Item 4. The Town Clerk reported that in his efforts to negotiate the loan of £2,000 for the Foreshore Works he was met by an ~~xxxxxxx~~ attitude in the Department that they were not disposed to sanction a loan for a term longer than 10 years and by the Bank's refusal to give a loan for a longer period than 15 years subject to Departmental sanction he had ascertained that the Department would favourably consider sanctioning a loan for 15 years if Engineer could guarantee the life of the work to be 15 years at least and the Council undertook to maintain the works for that period. Having regard to the shortening of the period and the fact that the Finance Committee on the 27/5/38 had reduced his Estimate by 3d in the £. the Town Clerk informed the Council that he could not recommend that the work be allowed to proceed on basis of a loan for 15 years unless the Council restored the 3d in the £ reduced by the Committee.

After discussion it was

Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson,
Seconded by Councillor M. McMahon and passed

That the work be carried out on the basis of a loan for 15 years and that no increase be made on last year's combined Rate.

It was also Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson,
Seconded by Councillor M. McMahon and passed,

That in consideration of receiving a Government Grant of not less than £2,000 in aid of the scheme of Foreshore Works now proposed and estimated to cost £4,000 the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby undertake to maintain the said works in good condition for a period of 15 years, excepting extraordinary and heavy damages arising from storms, riot, war, civil commotion and Acts of God, and that the Common Seal of the Council be attached to this Resolution.

Dated this 14/6/38.

Passed.

W. O'Grady, Chairman. John McGrath, Town Clerk.

It was agreed to give the Employers' Liability Insurance arising on this Scheme (Premium estimated at £132) to the Ocean Accident and the Public Liability (Estimated at £25 to the Hibernian Insurance Co.,)

Item 5. Adjourned.

Item 6. The following letters from Department of Local Government and Public Health were submitted and ruled on as shown:-

Letter 103573/37 of 24/5/38 with Confirmation of Friar's Hill Clearance Order 1937.

Read.

Letter 101464/37 of 24/5/38 with Confirmation of Woodenbridge Clearance Order 1937.

Read.

Letter 101465 of 24/5/38 with Confirmation of Upper Strand Street Clearance Order 1937.

Read.

Correspondence with re Foreshore Grant of £2,000 (See Item 4).

Circ. H.65/38 of 1/6/38 re Housing (Loan Charges contributions).

Adjourn.

Letter G.5963/4/38 of 27/6/38 sanctioning Overdraft up to £1,400.

Read.

Circ. No. 55/1938 re Shops (Hours of Trading) Act, 1938.

Adjourn.

P.H.Circ. 57/38 of 11/5/38 re Shops (Conditions of Employment) Act, 1938.

Consideration of appointment of Inspector to be put on Agenda for next Meeting.

Memo. (H.106295/1/37) of 3/5/38 on Housing and Labourers' Act, 1937.

Read.

Circ. 49/1938 dealing with duties and liability for same in Contracts etc., and giving provisions of Finance Acts.

Read.

Circ. C.P.7/38 of 9/5/38 dealing with procedure on testing samples of goods purchased under the Combined Purchasing Acts.

Read.

Letters P.H.1149/2/38 of 18/5/38 and 2/6/38 inquiring what steps the Council proposed taking in view of the fact that a sample of milk taken from the supplies of Mr J. Lalor (Contractor under Free Milk Scheme) was found on analysis to be defective. Also submitted Town Clerk's reply of 13/6/38 and Report of Inspector of Food and Drugs dated 2/6/38.

Contractor to be sent copy of inquiry and his attention be directed to the terms of his Contract with the Council.

Letter 9367/3/38 of 5/5/38 re Housing Scheme of 20 houses (already

submitted on 16/5/38) also Report of County Medical Officer of Health and Town Surveyor furnished in reply and copy of Town Clerk's letter to Department of 19/5/38.

Read.

Letter RU/205/132 of 10/6/38 approving of Scheme for new Link Road (St. Laurence's Road to top of Terret Lane) and allocating a Grant of £648 in aid of the estimated expenditure of £738 thereon.

Work to begin as soon as possible.

Letter H.187/13/38 of 7/6/38 sanctioning the extra of £54 for provision of baths for one-storey houses in Castle Street and St. Dominick's Road.

Read.

Letter of 10/6/38 from Mr E. J. H. Hopkins, Solicitor, on behalf of Mr J. Power inquiring on what the £75 was to be spent and referring again to responsibility if sewerage matter is found to be passing through later.

Council is satisfied through reports of their Engineer that no sewage passes through and Mr Power must abide the terms of the offer made on 2/6/38.

Correspondence with Mrs Heatley re Demolition of Leitrim Cottages.

Read.

Letter from Mrs M. Byrne of Upper Strand Street looking for transfer to No. 18, Kilmantin Road.

Adjourn.

Letters from Richard Bell, Thomas Kelly, Sarah Brien, W. Hayden and Mrs Kilbride and Mary Hodgkinson for new houses.

Adjourn.

Letter of 6/5/38 from Waterworks Overseer explanatory of cutting off water in a section of the town on that day.

Read.

Letter of 30/5/38 from Town Surveyor as to necessity of surfacing certain roads.

Town Surveyor to submit same for Grant.

Draft Lease to Mr A. Finlayson of field at Dunbur Road.

Read and approved.

The Town Clerk submitted Report on School Meals for Season 1937/38.

The Scheme was put into operation on the 25th October, 1937, and lasted until the 8th April, 1938.

There were 116 children admitted to the benefits and the average attendance at meals was 88 of which 38 were boys and 50 were girls. Having regard to the numbers admitted (Boys 44 and Girls 72) the boys attended better than the girls.

Meals were served during 103 days over the period and the total number of meals served was 9,055.

The total cost of the Scheme over the period was £117. 11. 5 of which £94. 17. 7 was spent on the actual provision of food and £22. 13. 10 on cost of administration. The cost per meal works out at about three-pence.

I desire to express my appreciation of the services rendered by the Ladies attending to supervise and help at the distribution of the meals and my gratitude to them for their willing co-operation without which the scheme would be difficult and expensive.

12th May, 1938. John McGrath.

Read.

List of Tenements for Revision as prepared by Poor Rate Collector.

That the List be forwarded to the Valuation Office together with 10 houses at Dunbur Road and F. Murphy's house at Strand Street.

Demand from Board of Works for payment of £88. 0. 6 on foot of Harbour Commissioners Loans transmitted by that authority intimating that they were unable to pay.

To be paid by Council.

Letter of 26/5/38 from Mr Byrne of "Sunburst" The Promenade, dealing with Councillor Doran's offer of a new house to him etc.,

Read.

Acknowledgment of 6/6/38 by Councillor Hudson of Council's Vote of Sympathy on the occasion of his brother's death.

Read.

Letters of 2/6/38 and 7/6/38 from Town Surveyor as to progress of Housing Contractors on the 120 houses.

Read.

Letter of 7/6/38 from H. Nalty as to necessity of Town Surveyor to inspect houses Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 New Street.

Engineer to inspect Mr Nalty's houses.

Tenders for Spraying material (Soltosan) from Messrs Hopkins, R. J. Alcorn and S. V. Delahunt at 2s/6d, 2s/6d and 2s/5d per 2 lb. Carton.

Accept Mr Delahunt's Tender.

Item 7. Reports read. New Gully Trap to be provided at corner of Morton's Lane as suggested in Town Sergeant's Report.

Item 8. Applications ruled on.

It was arranged to have Annual Meeting on Friday 1st July 1938.

*Dated 5th July 1938.
James Swerett*

Minutes of Special (ANNUAL) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Friday the 1st of July 1938 pursuant to the following Notice sent to each member on the 28th of June 1938.

Dear Sir,

The Annual Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held at the Town Hall, on Friday the 1st of July for the purpose of :-

1. Election of Chairman for ensuing year.
2. Election of Vice-Chairman for ensuing year.
3. To elect any Committee that require to be elected, and to transact any other business that is required by law to be transacted at such Annual Meeting (including appointment of Members on the Rathdrum and Wicklow Joint Burial Board).

The Monthly Meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee will be held on Friday the 1st of July 1938 at 7 p.m. when all questions dealing with lettings of houses will be considered. You are requested to attend said Meetings.

Yours faithfully
John McGrath

Present :- Councillors J. Everett (T.D.) (Presiding), J. Olohan, D.H. Haskins, C.W. Hudson, A. Dunne, J. Clarke, R.B. Haskins, & E. Lalor.

Item 1.

Proposed by Clor. C.W. Hudson, Seconded by Clor D.H. Haskins & passed :-

That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby elect Councillor James Everett T.D. as Chairman of the said Council for the ensuing year and until his successor is appointed.

Item 2.

Proposed by Clor. J. Olohan, Seconded by Clor. R.B. Haskins and passed :-

That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby elect Councillor William O'Grady as Vice-Chairman of the said Council for the ensuing year and until his successor is appointed.

Item 3.

Proposed by Clor. C.W. Hudson, Seconded by Clor. J. Clarke & passed :-

That we the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council do hereby elect the following seven representatives of the said Council on the Rathdrum & Wicklow Joint Burial Board to hold office until their successors are appointed or until they are otherwise disqualified :-

- (1) John Olohan, (2) Joseph O'Connor, (3) Michael McMahon, (4) Charles W. Hudson, (5) Andrew Dunne, (6) R.B. Haskins & (7) William O'Grady.

Proposed by Clor. R.B. Haskins, Seconded by Clor. C.W. Hudson & passed :-

(2)

That we ~~the hereby~~ the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby re-appoint and elect as the Council's representatives on the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners (also referred to as the Wicklow Harbour Board) the following members of the Council as elected and appointed by the Council at their first annual meeting held on the 6th July 1934 (1) Andrew Dunne (2) Ml. McMahon (3) Charles W. Hudson (4) Joseph O'Connor (5) Edward Lalor (6) T.J. Doran and to fill the vacancies that have since occurred we hereby elect and appoint Councillors John Olohan and William O'Grady, ---all to hold office on the said Commissioners or Board until they cease to hold office as Councillors or are otherwise disqualified and until their successors are appointed.

Proposed by Clor. J. Olohan, Seconded by Clor. J. Clarke and passed :-

That we the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council appoint all the members of the said Council as a Committee to be known as The Finance and General Purposes Committee for the ensuing year and until they or any of them cease to hold office or are otherwise disqualified, the Committee to meet at least once a month and as often otherwise and at such times as the Council shall from time to time appoint.

The Meeting then resolved itself into Committee and considered lettings of vacant houses. The Town Clerk read a list of tenants and the houses proposed to be offered to them and it was recommended that the Town Clerk proceed to notify the tenants accordingly.

The following other urgent matters were dealt with also:-
An application from Laurence Smith of the 23rd June 1938 to rent premises at Quarantine Hill and it was recommended to offer it at a rent of £2 per annum.

The following letters were adjourned to the monthly meeting :-

Letters of 30/6/38 from Thomas Kelly and R. Bell applying for a new house.
Letter from Mrs Fisher of 20/6/38 on behalf of Garret Doyle Upper Strand St. requesting that he be not displaced from his existing house.

James Everett

Certified a True Copy.

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL
OF WICKLOW.

Recd.....

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on the 5th of July 1938 pursuant to the following Notice sent to each member on the 2nd of July 1938.

Dear Sir,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 5th of July 1938 at 7.30 p.m. to deal with the following :-

1. To confirm Minutes of Meetings of 14/6/38 & 1/7/38.
2. Matters adjourned from Meeting of the 14/6/38 including the making of a compulsory Purchase Order in respect of houses at Castle Street(15) the property of Miss Wall.
3. To make the Town and Poor Rates for the year 1938/39
4. To consider the Department's Circular letter of the 11th May 1938 dealing with the Shops (Conditions of Employment) Act 1938 including the question of making an appointment of an Inspector under the provisions of Part IV of the Act (the Department suggesting that the Council should appoint their Sub-sanitary Officer).
5. Correspondence.
6. Reports of Officers .
7. Free Milk applications.

You are requested to attend said Meeting.
John McGrath, Town Clerk

Present :- Councillors J. Everett T.D. (Presiding) ,W. O'Grady, A. Dunne, M. McMahon, D. H. Haskins, R. B. Haskins, J. Clarke, J. Olohan, E. Lalor, C. W. Hudson.

Also J.T.O'Byrne B.E., Town Surveyor

Item 1.

Minutes of 14/6/38 read and confirmed.

Item 2.

Compulsory Purchase Order in respect of Miss Wall's 15 Houses at Castle Street to be sealed and executed as required.

Item 3.

Adjourned to a meeting to be held at suitable date later in the month--the rates and arrears not having yet been apportioned.

Item 4.

To be adjourned.

Item 5.

The following letters from the Department of Local Government & P. Health were submitted and orders made as shown :-

(2)

Letter dated 14th May 1938(M.C.14908/38 asking to be informed of steps taken by the Council in connection with Vaccination Defaulters.

Adjourn

Letter (P.H.17355/38) of 15/6/38 asking for certain particulars with reference to the proposal to pay 2/6 per week to Waterworks Overseer for taking readings of water gauge at Ballteskin.

To be supplied.

Letter RU/205/132 of 20/6/38 ,in reference to the Grant aided Road Scheme in operation at Ballynerrin and stating that the the Works were approved for Grant on the understanding that the rate of wages paid were the same as those ordinarily paid to the Council's Workmen.

Read : 7/- to be paid for an 8 hour day.

Circ. Letter H.65/38 of 1/6/38 dealing with Housing(Loan Charges Contributions)(Amendment) Regulations 1938 and Preference on letting of houses subsidised under Sec. 6 of the Housing (Financial & Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1932.

Read.

Letter H. 9367/4/38 of 13th June 1938 dealing with the Council's proposal to erect 20 Houses for Normal Housing requirements and directing that an advertisement be published inviting applicants so as to ascertain the requirements and that the economic rents should be ascertained. The Town Clerk reported that he had issued an advertisement in the Wicklow People of 18/6/38 and while he received only two applications in writing he was given indirectly the names of over 20 parties looking for houses of the kind proposed.

Particulars to be furnished.

Ordinary Letters:-

Letter of the 20/6/38 from Mrs Fisher on behalf of Garrett Doyle

Adjourn case of Garrett Doyle.

Letter of 30/6/38 from Mr Hopkins Solicitor on behalf of Mr Power re alleged Sewer damages .

Abide by the decision already reached.

Letter of the 5/6/38 from Collector Kennedy asking for payment of £35 on account of his Town Rate Collection for 1937/38. The Town Clerk reported that the Collector had closed or accounted for the Rate up to £ 3 or so.

Pay subject to sanction.

(3)

Letter of the 30/6/38 from Town Surveyor Submitting Road Works in connection with Employment Schemes Vote totalling in cost £4188

The works as included in Town Surveyor's Estimate for the year together with partial development of Territ Lane proposal to be sent forward for Grant purposes.

Letter of 5/7/8 from Town Surveyor calling attention to the condition of road through the Murraugh and making recommendations.

Town Surveyor to prepare Estimate and Manure Company be then asked for a contribution.

The Town Clerk reported that he had now settled with the parties interested in the house in the Ball Alley belonging to Kate Walker Deceased and had now obtained their signatures to a Deed of Surrender.

Proposed and Seconded by Councillors Hudson & McMahon and passed That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Surrender.

Letters of applications for houses from the following were read and adjourned :-

Richard Bell, Mrs Kilbride, Mrs Hodgkinson, Albert White, Mrs Copelana, Mrs Leahy, Patrick Rice, Mrs Brien (New St.) Mrs Henry, Mrs Kelly Castle St., Mrs Vickers (Monkton Row)

Letter from Joseph Vize for lease of portion or angle of ground near his place at Ardkeen on Dunbur Road

Committee to inspect on Saturday the 9th inst and report to next meeting of the Council

Item 6.

Reports of Town Sergeant and Waterworks Overseer were read and an order was made that that the Town Surveyor inspect the complaint of Mr Davidson as to flooding of his premises from Upper Strand Street.

Item 7

Applications ruled on.

It was arranged to have weekly meetings of the Finance & General Committee until further order to deal with re-housing tenants and to have a Meeting of the Council on some suitable date in July.

Certified Correct

11/7/38

James Everett
John Clarke
 TOWN CLERK
 URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL
 OF WICKLOW.
 Recd.....

Minutes of Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 26th of July 1938 pursuant to the following Notice sent to each member on the 23rd July 1938.

Dear Sir,

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held at the Town Hall Wicklow @ 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday the 26th inst in pursuance of duly signed requisition to deal with the following :-

- (1) To Consider Reports of the Committee on Housing since last Meetings of the Council and all matters dealing with the tenanting of houses still vacant including consideration of houses under consideration for improvement.
- (2) To consider reports of C.M.O. Health on his inspections of houses in Castle Street and take all necessary steps to deal with same in accordance with his recommendations
- (3) To make Town and Poor Rates for the service of the year 1938/39

You are requested to attend said Meeting.

To/ Each Member Wicklow U.D.C. Yours faithfully
 J. McGrath, T. Clerk

Present :- Councillors J. Everett T.D. (Presiding), W.O'Grady, A. Dunne, J. Clarke, J.O'Connor, E. Lalor and C.W. Hudson.

Item 1

The following reports of Committees were read :-

The following Notice was sent to each member on the 18/7/38:-

According to arrangements made, the Council are to meet in Committee on to-morrow (19th inst) at 8 p.m. to allot new houses to any person qualified to receive same.

There does not appear to be any further person qualified at the moment to whom a new house may be allotted

I enclose copy of the Bye-laws which have been usually referred to as the "Overcrowding Bye-laws" and I would direct your special attention to clauses 3 and 16 thereof.

Yours faithfully
 J. McGrath, T. Clerk

To:- Each Member Wicklow U.D.C.

Present at Committee Meeting on the 19/7/38--Councillors D.H. Haskins, W.O'Grady, M. McMahon, J. Clarke and A. Dunne.

It was agreed to adjourn the business to a special Meeting of the Council to be held on the 26th inst for which Special Meeting the members attending signed a Requisition.

The Meeting accordingly adjourned

Report of the Finance & General Purposes Committee
from Meeting held on Tuesday the 12th July 1938 arranged
for at Meeting of the Council on the 5th July 1938 and
after Notice to each member as follows :-

Town Hall, Wicklow 12/7/38

Dear Sir,
This is to remind you of the arrangement made at
last meeting of the Council to have a Committee Meeting at
8.p.m. to-night to deal with the tenanting of the available
New Houses.

The Committee will also be asked to consider a
suggestion to have a complete survey or inspection of houses
in Castle Street made by the C.M.O.H. immediately and before
further steps are taken in individual cases there

Yours faithfully
John McGrath, T.C.
To/ Each Member Wicklow U.D.C.

Present :- Councillors J. Everett T.D. (Presiding), W.O'Grady, J.Olohan,
A. Dunne, C.W.Hudson, E.Lalor, R.B.Haskins, J.Clarke, J.O'Connor and
M.McMahon.

The Town Clerk reported that there were still 22 of the new houses
which were unallotted to date.--and that there were a number of others
that had been allotted but the tenants had not taken up nor had they
signified any intention to do so.

He also reported that there were a number of houses under consid-
-eration for condemnation for some time and that they should be either
advanced or dropped and that the tenants of them were very anxious to
get their grievances attended to.He then read letters as follows :-

(1) Messrs Toomey and Barber Solicitors for the Pim Estate wrote with
reference to the houses occupied by Mrs O'Brien at New Street and
the 4 houses in High Street and stated that they were getting estimates
etc.

Recommended that they be given to the 1st prox to give or
refuse undertaking to have the Inspecting Officers (Town
Surveyor & C.M.O.Health) requirements carried out

(2) Messrs O'Connor & Co Solicitors Arklow wrote on behalf of Mr Henry
Hamilton under date the 11th July and stated that their client was
prepared to carry out repairs, enlarge yards and install water and
sewerage and to undertake not to let to anyone with more than 3 in family
but he was not prepared to convert every two houses into one and not
prepared to admit that one house was beyond hope of being made fit for
human habitation.

(2)

Recommended that Mr Hamilton be requested to carry out the
requirements of the C.M.O.H. and Town Surveyor and to give such
undertaking before the Monthly Meeting in August 1938.

(3) The adjourned letter of the 11th April 1938 from Mr McCarroll Solicitor
on behalf of Mrs McCarroll in which it was stated that Mrs McCarroll
was prepared to do all necessary repairs.

Recommended that the owner be referred to the requirements of
the C.M.O.H. and Town Surveyor and to let the Council know on
by the Monthly meeting in August.

(4) Mr F. Murphy had been notified of the requirements as to his house
at Lower Strand Street and no reply had so far been obtained from
him. In this connection the tenant of that house (Mrs Leahy) had
handed in at the office ~~for~~ a letter of ----from Mrs Ellen Kavanagh
who lodged with her offering to give Mrs Leahy her right to one of
the new houses.

Recommended that it be adjourned.

(6) An Order had been made at last Meeting in connection with Miss Wall's
15 houses in Castle Street but the Town Clerk stated that in view of
the suggestion made to him by Dr Beckett that he had not served or
published Notices.

(7) The Town Clerk reported that he had again consulted Dr Beckett C.M.
O.H. as to the suggestion of Mr Thos. Carroal as to his 5 houses in
Castle Street and the C.M.O.H. adhered to his view that the houses
could not be made habitable or converted into habitable houses at
reasonable expense.The Tenants had repeated their demands for relief
from the conditions in which they lived.

Recommended that Dr Beckett make a complete survey of houses
in Castle Street and report to the Council thereon with his
recommendations and ~~from~~ immediately and from time to time
to complete a survey of all the town.

The Town Clerk mentioned a number of other cases that were looking for
houses most of which had been before the Council already but the
following new cases . Jas. Kehoe of Convent Road, Mrs Copeland Kilmartin
Hill, Mrs Vickers of Monkton Row, Mrs Flowers of Castle St., P.Walsh of
Glenview Road, J.O'Connor Bond Street and Joe Sweeney of Colley St
Wicklow.

Recommended that they be adjourned and that in the case of Joe
Sweeney, the Town Clerk write to Jas. McCall and tenants to
ascertain how the house came to be let in view of the Clearance
Order being ~~condemned~~ confirmed and the penal provisions as to
letting.

The following houses were allotted :-

No. 16 St Dominick's Road to John Kilbride
No. 7 St Dominick's Road to Mrs Synott
No.1 St Dominick's Rd to E. Dickenson
No. 8 or 10 Glenview Road to Mary Hollingsworth
and in pursuance of operations under the Overcrowding Bye Laws :-
No. 7 St Lawrence's Road to W. Murphy High St
No. 8. Do P. Quinn Do.
No. 9. Do. J. Ronan Do.

A letter was read from Town Surveyor stating that he could not recommend
that the walls of Leitrim Cottages be allowed to stand

If it could be arranged, it was agreed to have some of the large
heap of stones collected at end of New Pier crushed into chippings for
the streets.

A. Dunne
W. O'Grady *James Sweeney*
26/7/38

On the proposition of Councillor A. Dunne seconded by Councillor W. O'Grady, the Reports were unanimously adopted.

The following cases of houses under consideration for condemnation were brought under Notice by the Town Clerk :-

(1) Correspondence to date re Hamilto's Houses at Lower Monkton Row between Messrs O'Connor & Co Solicitors Arklow and the Town Clerk

Order :-Correspondence read : no variation to be made in the Council's previous requirements .

(2) Three houses at Woodenbridge the property of Mrs McCarroll --it being pointed out that Mrs McCarroll was given until the 2nd prox to say if she would carry out the requirements
Adjourned

(3) Letter of 26/7/38 from Mr Cullen Solicitor on behalf of Miss Wall stating that Miss Wall was prepared to carry out requirements of the C.M.O.H. and Engineer with regard to house at Lower Monkton Row recently occupied by George Byrne and that Miss Wall was prepared to convert the ten houses in Castle Street into five four-apartment houses and put in water and lavatories

Council accepts the undertaking in case of house at Lower Monkton Row :in other cases houses are condemned and Compulsory Purchase Order agreed to be made .

(4) Five houses the property of Mr Thomas Carroll occupied by Bell, Kelly, Giff, Hall and McEvoy.
The Town Clerk reported that these houses had been reported as unfit and that the reports had been previously before the Council , that the Council had decided to acquire and offer Mr Carroll £8 per house, that Mr Carroll had offered to convert the five houses into 3 that in accordance with the Council's direction, this had been put to the C.M.O.H. & Town Surveyor and they had stated that the five houses could not be made into ^{fit} three/houses at reasonable expense and that they adhered to their former views that the houses should be demolished .The Town Surveyor had stated that the sites could be re-built on and the C.M.O.H. saw no objection to the sites for re-building on.

Item 2 (was then considered).

Reports of the C.M.O.H. on houses in Castle Street which he had inspected on 18/7/38 and which he had not previously inspected were read

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Proposed by Councillor C.W.Hudson , seconded by Councillor A.Dunne

and passed unanimously :-

That having considered the Reports and representations of Dr. G.P. G.Beckett, County Medical Officer of Health and Joseph T. O'Byrne B.Town Surveyor on the condition of the houses and premises in Castle Street (5 houses) the property of Thomas Carroll and now occupied by George Giff, Thomas Kelly, Jane Hall, Richard Bell, and Elizabeth McEvoy and also the reports and representations of the C.M.O.Health on three houses and premises in Castle Street the property of Mr Edwards and Mrs May (occupied by Ml. Flowers, Annie Fanning and James Kavanagh) and being satisfied that they constitute areas that are unhealthy and that the conditions in such areas can be remedied only by the demolition of all the buildings thereon which are unfit for human habitation or dangerous or injurious to health and said areas having being defined on a Map THE WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL hereby resolve and declare such areas to be CLEARANCE AREAS and the land comprised in said Clearance areas be purchased by a Compulsory Purchase Order to be made by the Council --the Council being satisfied that they can provide the accommodation referred to in Sec 14 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1931 as amended by Sec.23(1) of the Housing(Financial & Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1932 and that the resources of the Council are sufficient for the purposes of this Resolution.

It was also ordered agreed to incorporate the houses dealt with in the foregoing Resolution in the Compulsory Purchase Order decided on in respect of Miss Wall's houses in Castle Street and to have the said order embracing all groups prepared and sealed.

It was ordered that the Town Surveyor should inspect the houses in Castle Street in which the C.M.O.H. recommended joining pairs of houses into one to see if the recommendations are feasible at reasonable expense--the matter to be then re-submitted to the Council.

Item 1 was again proceeded with

~~Ex~~ (5). House owned by D.H.Haskins tenanted by P.O'Toole and family. In this case , Mr Haskins wrote in reply to Notice served on him under Sec. 23 of the 1931 Act to say that he undertook to join this house with the house next door.

Undertaking accepted : P.O'Toole and family to be given a new house.

(6) Four houses in High St. and one in New Street belonging to the Estate of Miss O. Pim (A.L.) :- Messrs Toomey & Barber Solicitors had written letters about those and Mr Duggan the local agent of the Estate was present and informed the Council that it was the intention of of the Committee of the Estate to convert the four houses in High Street into two and to carry out the necessary repair and improvements to the house in New Astreet but that it was thought not possible to carry out the latter until the tenant left.In the

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meantime they were getting the Estimates of cost before putting the undertaking in writing.

Await written undertaking and allot houses provisionally to J. Byrne of High Street and Mrs M. Brien of New Street.

(7). The Town Clerk reported that he had served P. Sullivan Ball Alley with Notice under Sec. 23 of the Act 1931 as he had failed to surrender his house for the proposed payment of £6--the notice was returnable at a Meeting of the Council to be held on the 9th prox.

Approved

(8) The Town Clerk read a written undertaking from Andrew Dunne High St to the effect that if he got clear possession of his house in High St adjoining his own and tenanted by Mrs Cunningham he would convert both (each two room house) into one for his own use.

Undertaking accepted : house to be allotted to Mrs Cunningham.

(9) The Town Clerk stated that there was not so far any undertaking from Francis Murphy as to repairs and improvements to his house at Lower Strand Street tenanted by Mrs Leahy but that Mr Murphy had called on him that day and informed him that he was getting estimates from a Contractor and would write on the matter in the near future.

Adjourn.

Copies letters of Town Clerk of 14/7/38 to James McCall and Joseph Sweeney as to letting of the condemned house in Colley Street were read

Letter (P.H. 9188/3/38) of the 12th July 1938 from the Department of Local Government confirming Bye-Laws with respect to houses divided into separate tenements etc("Overcrowding Bye-laws ")

Read.

Letter (H.187/17/38) of the 25th July 1938 from the Department of Local Government & P.H. ruling on the Town Clerk's letter to the Department of 20/7/38 as follows :-

- (a) A tenant removed from a condemned house and allotted a new one , by leaving that new house forfeited all claims to a new house and had no right to nominate another person for a new house
- (b) The tenant of a house scheduled for repairs may be allotted a new house carrying full subsidy if the removal of the tenant is considered necessary for the purpose of carrying out the repairs

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(c) One of the tenants of two adjoining houses scheduled for conversion into one may be allotted a new house carrying full subsidy.

(d) In removing a tenant from a ~~new~~ house which Council has condemned though final condemnation not reached, the Council must be prepared to act on their own initiative but it will be well to get an undertaking from landlord not to re-let.

Read and noted.

Item 3.

The Arrears Sheets for Rates (Town & Poor) for 1937/38 were submitted by the Collector in draft form were read showing

	Irrecoverable	Recoverable	Total
Poor Rate	131 : 8 : -	£306 : 12 : 1	£438 : - : 1
Town Rate	101 : 5 : 3	187 : 6 : 11	288 : 12 : 2

and the Town Clerk reported that as the list stood there were overaccounted for in the Poor Rate £1 : 4 : 6 and under-accounted for in the Town Rate £3 : 5 : 1 but it was expected to adjust this in the course of a day or two .He also stated that the Council had to pay that night the sum of £54 : 14 : 9 Poor Rates on Council's property in their occupation reducing the recoverable arrears (P. Rate) to £132 : 12 : 2 and the total to £233 : 17 : 5.

PROPOSED by Councillor J.O'Connor
Seconded by Councillor C.W. Hudson and passed

- (a) That we the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council do hereby make the following Rates and assessments as herein set forth upon all the occupiers and owners of all lands and other hereditaments situate in the Urban District of Wicklow , for the year ending the 31st of March 1939 , liable for same , viz. a Town Rate of 136 d in the £ ., whereof 21d is for repayment of Harbour Loans including Special Loan under the Wicklow Harbour advances Act 1897, etc , 19d is for necessary expenditure under the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 Local Government Acts 1898, 1925, making provision for 16d for Urban Roads, 70d is for the administration of the Public Health Acts including repayment of Loans for same and 7d for Housing and 26 d is for Repayment of Loans to pay arrears of debts. That the Common Seal of the said Urban District Council be affixed to the statement at the foot of the Town Rate Book for 1938/39 of the Wicklow Urban District Council .That Notice of having made the said Rates be published as required by law and that the said Rates are due and payable from and after publication of said Notice.
- (b) That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council make for the year ending the 31st of March 1939 on all property in the Urban District of Wicklow , rateable under the provisions of the Local Government Acts, 1898, 1925 and all Acts incorporated therewith or extending or amending same , A POOR RATE collectable as such of 87.6 pence in the £ made up as follows :-
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| 18.6 pence | in respect of Roads |
| 22.3 pence | " " " " County Services |
| 44.7 pence | " " " " Poor Relief |
| 2 . pence | " " " " Board of Health Charges |