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Resolution from the 1916 Veterans' Association asking for display of National flag on the 24th April in each year.

Order :- A flag to be displayed.

Letter from Frank Gibney Architect Dublin submitting for the Council's approval plans and specification of a house which Miss C. Lyons proposed to have built near the gate at the entrance to Abbeyfield.

Order :- Refer to Town Surveyor for his views.

Letter from E. Kennedy Rate Collector asking for an extension of time to the 31st May to close his Town and Poor Rate Warrants for 1938/39 and asking the Council to guarantee his costs in taking a case to court to recover rates from Mr Carroll in respect of his premises at Quarantine Hill.

Order :- Agreed.

~~Approximate~~ The acceptance of the Tender of Mary E. Doran of the 8th April 1939 for caretaking the Public Convenience at the Murrough for ~~£2~~ £1 was confirmed.

Letter of the 1st May 1939 from Robert F. Conway applying for a building site in Mr S.V. Delahunt's field at Dunbur Road near A. Roche's premises.

Order :- That the Town Surveyor lay out field in suitable building plots --parties then to get building leases on production of letter from Mr Delahunt that they have settled with him : Mr Conway to get first preference.

Letter from Town Surveyor of 2/5/39 stating that he had been asked by Mr Plunkett to submit a plan of site on field at Dunbur Road near Mr Vize's house and that the area was 2 rds and 32 perches.

Order :- Refer back to engineer to ascertain how many suitable sites in the field and the matter to be dealt with along with Mr Delahunt's field.

Item 11
Reports of Waterworks Overseer, Town Sergeant and Rent Collector were read. Town Sergeant to get his annual uniform

Item 12.
Ruled on.

OMITTED from Minutes of 4/4/39:- Declaration of W. Canavan of Glenview accepted as evidence of clothes destroyed by him and same to be replaced.

Letter of the 27th March 1939 from Es S.B. offering to light the 86 Public Lamps for the year for £258.

Order :- Accept but request the Board to reduce charges in view of number of lights: same terms as in former agreement.

W. O'Grady 4.7.39
Chairman

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL
OF WICKLOW.

Minutes of Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 16th May 1939 pursuant to the following Notice sent to each Member on the 12th May 1939.

Dear Sir,

A Special Meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 16th May 1939 at 7.30 p.m. to consider the Town Clerk's Estimates for Rates for 1939/40 (Explanatory Statements Herewith : Comparative Table of Estimates & Expenditure for 1938/39 sent you on the 26/4/39.)

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 16th inst (pursuant to Requisition received this date) at 8.30 p.m. to consider the Town Clerk's Estimates for Rates for 1939/40, proposals for new Works and any matters of Urgency.

You are requested to attend said Meetings .

Yours faithfully

To:- Each Member, Wicklow U.D.C. J. McGrath, T. Clerk

Present :- Councillors W. O'Grady (Presiding), D.H. Haskins, C.W. Hudson, J. Olohan, A. Dunne, T.J. Doran, J.O'Connor and M. McMahon.
Also Present :- J.T.O'Byrne Esq., B.E., Town Surveyor.

IN COMMITTEE :- The Town Clerk reported that pursuant to instructions of the Council, Mary Hollingsworth had been served with Notice to Quit the house tenanted by her at No. 8 Glenview Road because of the complaints received from her neighbouring tenants that she was an annoyance to them and that she was now present to explain herself and to make an appeal. After hearing her and warning her it was recommended that "Proceedings be stayed for 3 months on Mary Hollingsworth giving an undertaking not to cause annoyance". The Estimates for Rates were then examined at length and on no agreement being reached the matter was left until the Council Meeting later.

The application for a reduction of rents from the Tenants of the six houses on the Murrough was also considered at length and left over to the Council Meeting. The Town Clerk read proposals for new works and other pending proposals as follows :- (1) Reductions of Rents on Murrough Cottages (2) Construction of Bridge at Woodenbridge (3) Repairs and strengthening of old Promenade at Foreshore (4) Construction of Sewer at Dunbur (5) Grant to Tourist Association (6) Repairs and Improvements to Billy Byrne Statue in Market Square (7) Increased rate for Library (8) Extra Lights (7) Loan for Burial Board and they were left over to the Council Meeting also.
COUNCIL MEETING :- The Town Clerk read his Report on his Estimates for Town and Poor Rates as follows :-

Town Hall

Wicklow

15th May 1939

To :-The Chairman & Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council

A Chairde,

I submit for your consideration and adoption (with or without amendment) my Estimates for Town and Poor Rates for the service of the year 1939/40.

T O W N / R A T E .

Last year's net expenditure exceeded my estimate for same by £483 due mostly to over-expenditure on Public Lighting (£20), Town Hall (£100), Harbour Commissioners Loans (£26), Bank Interest (£9), School Meals (£13) Roads (£140) and under estimation on Loan for Waterworks (£116) and Sewer Extension Loan (£30).

Last year's Receipts exceeded the estimated receipts by £348 due principally to a larger amount received from Housing Subsidy than was anticipated. That left a deficit of £135 on my figures as submitted to you last year. The amount asked for last year was reduced by you by £95 and our resultant deficit should be £230 but after close examination of the possible yield from Rates and Corporate Estate, I believe we can, with safety, carry forward the Deficit as shown in my Estimate viz £194 :3 :5. In carrying forward this deficit, I am still counting on receiving from a Housing Capital Account the sum of £240 at least which was spent on roads developing Housing Sites. If our Normal Housing Scheme should not proceed, this £240 will have to be found also from Revenue.

It will be noted from figures supplied you that this year provision is made for £823 under SALARIES etc against £754 last year. This becomes necessary because of increase Poundage given to Town Agent and Rent Collector by you last year and also because of increment in salary due to Town Sergeant & Road Overseer as granted by you and sanctioned

Under the heading of General Expenditure, you will note increased provision of £136 :13 :- due principally to £60 additional provided for repairs to Artisans Dwellings, £40 for Fire Hose and £50 for Rates Taxes and Insurances.

Under ROADS, I have reduced the local Contribution this year by £140 /by reason of the spending of that amount in advance last year when same was not estimated or provided for. This will probably have the effect of reducing the Grants for Relief Works from £2,095 to £1,047 or thereabouts. The Town Surveyor gave me an Estimate of £766 for ordinary Road Maintenance : I consider that the most we can provide against this and keep within normal Road Expenditure is £260 i.e. £200 for wages and £60 for material. That makes the estimated expenditure on Roads this year £445 against £485 provided for last year.

The BURIAL BOARD's Demand is up by £11 :13 :8.

For WATERWORKS I provide the same as last year viz £250 (last year's expenditure was £265).

In the REPAYMENT OF LOANS an increase of £814 :6 :3 must be provided for, due principally to an increase (£640) on the Loan for the 120 Houses, £87 for Foreshore Loans and £140 for Waterworks.

~~Extrax~~ I have provided for £80 this year for Harbour Commissioners' Loans against £150 last year. The gross expenditure this year taking the deficit of £194 and allowing the reductions on roads and Harbour Commissioners' Loans, is increased by £1116.

R E C E I P T S .

While, this year, we lose the £124 from the E.S.B. I am counting on getting the full rents accruing on the Artisans' Dwellings for the year, an increase of £800 on Housing Subsidy, a small increase on Corporate Estate Rents and for those reasons I am estimating for an increase of Total Receipts by £10009 : - : 7 over last year's Estimate of £678 :18 :3 over last year's receipts. Against a total Expenditure of £9407 : 9 :3 I calculate total receipts of £5436 :10 :8 leaving ~~£25~~ £4033 :18 :7 to be found by Rates. This amount has to be found on an effective valuation of £6203 :19 :- i.e. £194 :13 :- less than last year and I have therefore to recommend a Town Rate of 13/- in the £ or 1/8 increase on last year. (1d in the £ now yields only £25 :17:-)

Briefly the reasons for the increase in Rates are (1) insufficiency of last year's Rate (2) increased expenditure, particularly on Loans, (3) loss of the E.S.B. Receipt of £124 per annum and the reduction of the Effective Valuation.

The reduction of Effective Valuation is due principally to the operations carried out under the Housing Acts.

I may add that during the past twelve months the Council have had recourse to extensive overdraft accommodation from their Treasurer and paid the sum of £91 :1' :- as interest on same. I believe the reasons for this to be principally the prevailing error that Town Rates are not due until the end of the year for which they are made and also to the fact that the time ~~for~~ we have been making the rates is too late in the year. Town Rates are due and payable when the Demand Notes are served. I have advanced my Estimate this year by one month on last year. The Minister for Local Government has warned the Council that unless ^{sufficient} provision is made in this year's rates for liabilities no further overdraft accommodation will be authorised.

No specific provision is made for Grant to Tourist Development Association or to repair and improve the National Monument in the Market Square.

POOR RATE.

The yield from the Rate of 7/8 last year was not equal to expectation. It was reckoned that it would yield £3047 :2 :- whereas it yielded only £2868 :4 :2. This deficiency of £178 :17 :10 coupled with the knowledge that the irrecoverable rates will be roughly ~~more~~ £100 more than the Estimate for same makes it necessary to bring forward a debit of £274 :9 :8 this year against a debit of £83 :6 :11 last year. These deficiencies in yield are accounted for mainly by the operations of the Housing Acts and other vacancies. The deficit in excess over last year's deficit accounts for the necessity of an increase of 6d in the £ this year.

In addition, the County Council Demand is up by £29 which requires roughly another 1d in the £ over last year's Rate. Finally because of the drop in the total Effective Valuation by £38 and a consequential increase in Collector's Poundage, the total increase over last year's Rate is brought up to 8d in the £. It is therefore necessary, in my opinion, to provide for Poor Rate of 8/4 in the £ if the Council are to meet all the liabilities that fall to be discharged by Poor Rate for 1939/40. (The total Effective Valuation for Poor Rate Purposes at present is £7921 :7 :4--1d in the £ brings in £33).

15th of May 1939

J. McGrath, T. Clerk

It was then PROPOSED by Councillor D.H.Haskins, SECONDED by Councillor C. W.Hudson :- "That the combined Town and Poor Rates for the service of the year 1939/40 be £1."

It was PROPOSED, as an amendment, by Councillor T.J.Doran and SECONDED by Councillor A.Dunne "That the Town Rate be 12/2 and the Poor Rate be 8/4 and that the reductions be made from the Town Clerks Estimate of Town Rates as follows viz Expenditure of £80 for Harbour Commissioners Loans to be struck out as the Harbour Commissioners would discharge same, (2) £60 to be struck off the £100 estimated for repairs to Artisans Dwellings (3) £35 to be struck off the £60 estimated for Materials on Roads ~~£35~~ (4) £35 to be struck off the wages for the Waterworks and (5) the balance necessary to make up the 10d to be found by the Town Clerk reducing where he thought same could be done with least hardship."

For the amendment there voted Councillors T.J.Doran, A.Dunne, J.Olohan, M.McMahon and J.O'Connor.

For the Resolution there voted only Councillors D.H.Haskins & Hudson. whereupon the Chairman declared the Resolution lost and the amendment carried and ~~xxxx~~ the following Resolutions were, on the motion of Councillor T.J.Doran and Seconded by Councillor A.Dunne, passed :-

"That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby adopt and approve an Estimate for Consolidated Town Rate for the year 1939/40 making provision for a rate of 146 pence in the £ leviable as Town Rates on the lands, buildings, tenements and other hereditaments in the Wicklow Urban District Area and that the Statutory Notice be published accordingly."

"That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby approve and adopt an Estimate for Poor Rates for the Wicklow Urban District for the service of the year 1939/40 as follows :- viz ~~£20,033~~ 94.77 pence in the £ for General Charges and 5.24 pence in the £ for Separate Charges to include 3.97d in respect of Wicklow Harbour Loan .27 in respect of Rathdrum Union Loans and 1d in respect of Malicious Injury Claims (Mr Magee and Mrs Clarke) all leviable over the entire Urban Area of Wicklow and we direct our Clerk to publish the Statutory Notice accordingly."

The application of the Tenants of the 6 Houses on the Murrough was then taken up and it was

PROPOSED by Councillor M. McMahon and SECONDED by Councillor D. H. Haskins. "That the application be postponed until the making of the Rate for 1940/41".

and it was

PROPOSED as an amendment by Councillor W.O'Grady and SECONDED by Councillor J.O'Connor: "That the Rents of each house be ~~reduced~~ reduced by 1/- per week subject to the sanction of the Department of Local Government & P.Health".

On a vote there voted for the amendment Councillors W.O'Grady, J.Olohan, J.O'Connor and A.Dunne

and for the Resolution Councillors D.H.Haskins and M.McMahon--whereupon the amendment viz. That the Rent of each house be reduced by 1/- per week subject to the sanction of the Department --was declared carried.

Councillor D.H. Haskins handed in a Notice of Motion to rescind. On re-consideration of the proposals for new Works it was agreed to instruct the Town Surveyor to prepare Plans specification and Estimate for a new re-inforced concrete ~~xxxx~~ Foot Bridge to replace the old Wooden Bridge across the Leitrim River and to instruct the Town Clerk to make application to the Department of Local Government & P.Health for the maximum grant available --the Council's contribution from Rates to be raised by Loan.

The Town Surveyor's Report of the 8th May 1939 on the present position of the Beach and Foreshore at Wicklow and the further requirements to make it safe was read and it was agreed to undertake the repair and strengthening of the old Promenade at an estimated cost of £648 --the necessary plans and requirements to be furnished to the Department of Local Government and they to be asked for the maximum grant in aid.

On the letter from the Irish T. & G.Workers' Union dated the 6th of May 1939 asking for the names and addresses of the persons to whom the letting of the Ball Room Marquee space on the Murrough was made, it was ordered that a copy of the letter be furnished to the Tenant and that his name and address be furnished--the tenant to be informed of the action.

All other business was adjourned to monthly meeting.

W.O'Grady 4.7.39

Minutes of Monthly (June) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 6th June 1939 pursuant to the following notice sent to each Member on the 2nd June 1939.

Dear Sir

The Monthly Meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 6th inst at 7.30 p.m. to deal with the following :-

1. To confirm Minutes of Meetings of the 2nd of May and 16th May 1939
2. To consider Reports of the Finance & General Purposes Committee
3. To consider Notice of Motion handed in by Councillor D.H.Haskins on the 16/5/39 :-
" That I or some member on my behalf will move that the reduction of 1/- per week on the houses, Urban Villas, be rescinded "
4. Correspondence .
5. Reports of Officers .
6. Free Milk Applications.

You are requested to attend said Meetings .

Yours faithfully

John McGrath, Town Clerk

To :- Each Member, Wicklow U.D.Council

Present :- Councillors W.O'Grady (Presiding), C.W.Hudson, J.Olohan, and E. Lalor.

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

Payments were authorised as follows :-

ON GENERAL ACCOUNT :-	£279 : 14 : 1
On HOUSING NO./ 3 ACCOUNT	1284 : 6 : 7
TRANSFER TO RELIEF GRANTS ACCOUNTS	100 : - : -

Correspondence re the Insurance of men on Relief Scheme with the Employers Liability, Ocean and Hibernian Insurance Companies was read and the Town Clerk's acceptance of the Ocean's terms as per his letter of 3/6/39 was approved

FIRE HOSE :- Correspondence and Tenders (from Messrs Brooks Thomas & Messrs D. Moseley & Co. was read and the Town Clerk reported that he had submitted the tenders to the Department of Local Government and that they had advised acceptance of tender of D. Moseley & Co Ltd. It was agreed to order from Messrs D. Mosley & Co Ltd, the official Contractors.

Correspondence with the Proprietor of the Monument Press re the Rates payable on the premises at the Mall Wicklow vacant since the 19th August 1938 was read. He intimated that he was agreeable to pay during the time he was in actual occupation.

actual occupation . The Town Clerk pointed out that in strict law any person in occupation at the time of the making of the Town Rate was liable for the full Town Rates even though he subsequently vacated within the year

It was agreed to accept share of both Town and Poor Rates proportion to the time he was in occupation.

The Town Clerk submitted particulars of progress made by him in connection with the new Town Guide and the gift of the Irish Independent of the block of the photograph appearing in the Irish Independent on the 31/5/39 and same were approved.

Owing to small attendance of Councillors it was agreed to adjourn the remaining portion of the business to a meeting to be held on the 20th of June 1939 at which Meeting the Rates for 1939/40 were to be made.

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Town Clerk.

W. J. Grady

Minutes of Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 20th day of June 1939 pursuant to Requisition received on the 16th of June 1939 and to the following Notice sent to each Member on the 17th of June 1939.

Dear Sir,

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 20th of June 1939 at 7.30 p.m. (pursuant to Requisition duly received) to deal with the following :-

1. To make Town and Poor Rates for 1939/40 and sign warrants.
2. To deal with business adjourned from monthly meeting called for the 6th June 1939
3. To review expenditure on the Scheme of 120 houses and make provision for financing expenditure thereon in excess of Loans.

You are requested to attend said Meeting.

Yours faithfully

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

J. McGrath, T. Clerk

Present :- Councillors J. Everett T.D. (Presiding), W.O'Grady, C.W.Hudson, J.Olohan, J.Clarke, M.McMahon, J.O'Connor .

Also Present :- J.T.O'Byrne Esq., B.E., Town Surveyor.

PROPOSED by Councillor C.W.Hudson , SECONDED by Councillor J.Olohan and passed unanimously

(a) That we the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council do hereby make the following Rates and assessments upon all occupiers and owners of all lands and other hereditaments situate in the Urban District of Wicklow , for the year ending the 31st of March 1940 , liable to same , viz. a TOWN RATE of 146 pence in the £ whereof 7d is for the repayment of Wicklow Harbour Loans including Special Loan under the Wicklow Harbour Advance Act 1897, 13d is for Foreshore Works Loan Repayments (money borrowed for Relief of Unemployment and to protect Council property) , 24 pence is for necessary expenditure under the Towns Improvement Act 1854 (Ir.) Local Government Acts 1898, 1925 etc. making provision for 16d for Urban Roads & Public Works 75 pence is for expenditure under the Public Health Acts (including repayment of Loans for purposes of same) and 27 pence 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 1939/40 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 the publication of said Notice.

(b) That we the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council make for the year ending the 31st of March 1940 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 94.76 pence in the £ made up as follows :-

20.03	pence	in	respect	of	Roads
32.49	"	"	"	"	County Services.
38.19	"	"	"	"	Poor Relief.
4.05	"	"	"	"	Board of Health Charges.

all being GENERAL CHARGES and POOR RATES for SEPARATE CHARGES as follows :-

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3.97 pence for Wicklow Harbort leviable over all the Wicklow Urban Area
 .27 Pence for Rathdrum Union Loans " " " " " " "
 .58 pence Part Criminal Injury Award " " " " " " "
 (Margaret Clarke)
 .42 pence Part Criminal Injury Award " " " " " " "
 (James Magee, Delgany)

That the said Poor Rates shall be leviable in two moieties viz the first Moiety and arrears of previous Poor Rates payable on the publication of the required Notice and the second payable on the 1st of October 1939 and that Notice of the said Rates having been made shall be published as required by law and that the Common Seal of the Wicklow Urban District Council be affixed to the Statement at the foot of the Poor Rate Book for 1939/40 of the Wicklow Urban District Council.

Adjourned Item No.3.

The Notice of Motion was not moved.

Adjourned Item No.4 (Correspondence).

The following letters from the Department of Local Government & P.H. were read and dealt with as shown :-

Letter (S.295/15/39) of 1st June 1939 asking for particulars of the works contemplated for the repair and preservation of the Old promenade and the history of the construction of the Promenade.

To be supplied.

Letter RU/206/132 of 8th June 1939 asking for an undertaking that the Council will raise next year the balance of the local contribution towards Unemployment Relief Schemes (£140).

Undertaking to be given.

Letter (H.7083/5/39) of 25/5/39 stating that the matter of the tests of the genuiness of "Servall" Grates has been referred to the Hammond Lane Foundry Company (--the grates being installed in the 120 houses at Ballynerrin etc).

Noted.

P.H.Circ of 9th June 1939 notifying the appointment of Dr E.Harris Philpott of Cork as Bacteriological Examiner for the period ending 31/12/39 under the Milk & Dairies Act 1935.

Noted

Circ H.60/39 of 3/5/39(9) requesting that in the case of any advance being made under the Small Dwellings Acts that steps be taken before the advance is made to secure it by an instrument vesting the ownership in the Local Authority subject to the right of redemption.

Noted.

Letter (H.3046/8/39) of 10/6/39 asking for particulars of the labour content of the work involved in making the Territ Lane Sewer.

Supplied.

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Letter P.H. 11271/39 of the 23rd May 1939 dealing with the application for increased price for potatoes supplied under the School Meals Scheme (R.Brennan) and stating that there would appear to be no particular reason for the making of an allowance to the contractor in question.

Read.

P.H.Circ.74/39 of the 13th June 1939 dealing with Tests to be carried out by Bacteriological Examiners under the Milk and Dairies Act ~~135~~ 1935.

Noted.

Circ. Letter No 66/1939 of 9th June 1939 dealing with the Holidays (Employees) Act 1939 and enclosing Memorandum for guidance of officers of Local Authorities .

Read.

Letter H. 15510/39 of the 6th June 1939 stating that the Minister does not consider that a reduction in the Rents of the six artisans' dwellings on the Murrough is warranted in view of the loss in revenue that would result therefrom.

Read and noted.

Circ. (RU/206/12 of the 1st of June 1939 dealing with the recruitment of labour under the Employment Schemes Vote 1939/40.

Noted.

Letter S.11630/4/39 of the 10th May 1939 dealing with the proposed variation in the works embraced in the Waterworks Improvement Scheme and asking that as regards the additions and improvements contemplated at the Caretaker's residence a specification should be submitted of the proposed work.

Refer to Town Surveyor.

Letter H. 7083/7/39 of 16th June 1939 dealing with the question of Messrs Dempsey's claim for £222:5:10 under the Conditions of Employment Act for work on joinery for the Housing Scheme (120 Houses) and adding that the Minister had no objection provided that the Council's law agent and Engineer were satisfied as to the legality and accuracy of the claim.

Adjourned

Letter (C.P.1422/39) of 7/6/39 dealing with delay in filling orders for brushes and Tar and letter of 10/6/39 from Contractor for former explaining delay.

Read

Letter from Bother Aelred applying for use of Murrough for boys' Sports on 25/6/39.

Granted on usual terms.

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Letter dated 9th June 1939 from G.S.Railways promising to consider the question of providing an Excursion Bus during the Summer months.

Read

Copy letter of Town Clerk dated 5/6/39 dealing with flags removed from Main Street (to County Surveyor).

Approved
Arising out of the taking up the Field at Ballynerrin from James Thompson in February for allotments, the Council approved of the Town Clerk's suggestion that he be allowed a rebate of 10/- off his rent.

Copy letter of 14/6/39 (39) from Town Clerk to Thomas Campbell of Fitzwilliam Road conveying to him the decision of the Finance Committee to increase his remuneration for caretaking Halpin Monument Plot from £3 to £5 per annum the increase to date from 1st of August 1939.

Approved.

Arising out of a question being raised about the condition of the road through the Murrough, it was agreed that a deputation consisting of the Chairman, Councillors McMahon, Hudson and O'Grady and the Town Clerk and Town Surveyor should wait on the Dublin & Wicklow Manure Co. to discuss with them the condition of the road through the Murrough and arrangements for its improvement.

Letter dated the 5/5/39 from Henry Hamilton stating that he had now decided definitely to accept the Space at South Quay at annual Rent of £3 with Lease and to enclose the Space with a wall to the satisfaction of the Town Surveyor.

Agreed: he to be allowed 6 months to build the wall.

The adjourned application of Frank Gibney Architect for approval of the plans and Specification for the erection of a house at Abbeyfield for Miss Lyons was again considered and having heard what the Town Surveyor had to say the following order was made

The Council as a Council have no objection, believing it is a matter for the adjoining owners and for the observations of any bye-laws which, it is understood, govern the place.

In reply to invitations to three local Merchants sent on the 17th June 1939 by the Town Clerk, he reported that he received only one viz that of R. J. Alcorn of Abbey Street viz (for Spraying Mixture for Allotments) Solstosan Spraying Mixture @ 2/5½ per carton.

Accepted.

Proposed by Councillor J. Olohan and Seconded by Councillor J. O'Connor that the Agreement for letting Space at Murrough to A. Dunne for Marquee be signed by the Chairman. Passed unanimously.

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Letter dated the 25th May 1939 from the I.T. & G. Workers Union, Parnell Square Dublin continuing the correspondence about the letting of the space at the Murrough for a Dancing Marquee and complaining of it as a nuisance etc and adding that the Town Clerk's letter of the 24th May 1939 would be submitted to their National Executive Council.

Read.

Adjourned letter dated the 10th May 1939 from the Rathdrum & Wicklow Joint Burial Board asking for sanction of the Council for the raising of a Loan of £500 for erecting a new house for the Caretaker of the Cemetery.

Adjourn to Estimates for 1940/41.

Letter of the 25th May 1939 from Mr E.J.H. Hopkins Solicitor on behalf of John Power re grievance concerning his house and the alleged sewer at Market Square and suggesting as a way out of the deadlock that the Council appoint a Committee to meet his client.

Council have already settled the matter.

Letter of 6/6/39 from Town Surveyor reporting that the Complaints contained in the Inspector's Report on the 120 houses have now been all attended to with the exception of damp spots and that he is waiting favourable weather for that.

Noted

Letter of 29th May 1939 from M.J. Butler Jr. asking for permission to erect a diving Board on the New Pier as last year and stating that ~~that~~ he had the board covered with Insurance.

Granted

Letter from J. Kavanagh of 18 Convent Road applying for a new house and enclosing Notice he had received from the owner of his present house.

Read.

Adjourned Item 5 (Reports of Officers).
Reports of Waterworks Overseer, Town Sergeant and Rent Collector were read.

It was ordered that the owners of Houses at Castle St and Coates Lane that had been condemned should be called on to demolish the buildings as they were dangerous and a nuisance.

Adjourned item 6 (Free Milk Applications).

Ruled on.

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Town Clerk

Confirmed

Chairman. *W. O'Grady*

Minutes of Special (ANNUAL) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday the 27th June 1939 pursuant to Notice sent to each member on Friday the 23rd of June 1939.

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

Proposed by Councillor C.W.Hudson and Seconded by Councillor A. Dunne and passed unanimously

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

Proposed by Councillor J.Olohan , Seconded by Councillor A. Dunne and passed unanimously

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

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

That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council do hereby elect and appoint the following seven representatives of the said Council on the Rathdrum & Wicklow Joint Burial Board until their successors are appointed or otherwise until they are disqualified viz :- John Olohan, Joseph O'Connor, Michael McMahon, Charles W. Hudson, Andrew Dunne, R.B.Haskins and William O'Grady.

Proposed by Councillor A. Dunne, Seconded by Councillor Joseph O'Connor and passed unanimously

That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby re-appoint and re-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 to hold office on the said Commissioners or Board until they cease to hold office as Councillors or until their successors

are appointed (1) Andrew Dunne, (2) Michael McMahon , (3) Charles W.Hudson (4) Joseph O'Connor , (5) Edward Lalor, (6) Thomas J. Doran, (7) John Olohan and (8) William O'Grady.

Proposed by Councillor C.W. Hudson , Seconded by Councillor A. Dunne and passed unanimously

That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby appoint all the members of the said Council as a Committee to be known as "The Finance & General Purposes Committee" for the ensuing year and until they or any of them cease to hold office or are otherwise disqualified as Councillors, 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.

W. O'Grady

Certified a True Copy

28/6/39

T. Clerk

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 4th July 1939 pursuant to the following Notice sent to each Member on the 1st July 1939.:

1/7/39.

Dear Sir,

The Monthly Meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 4th inst at 7 p.m.

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 4th inst at 7.30 p.m. to deal with the following :-

1. To confirm Minutes of the 2/5/39, 16/5/39, 6/6/39, 20/6/39 and 27/6/39.
2. To consider any reports of the Finance & General Purposes Committee.
3. To consider the adjourned item of the disposal of the Council's vacant houses at Bond Street
4. To consider the appointment of the Sanitary Sub-Officer as Shops Inspector as suggested by the Department of Local Government and already adjourned.
5. HOUSING--particularly Department's letter of the 30th ult declining to give subsidy for the houses for Normal Needs.
7. Correspondence.
8. Reports of officers.
9. Free Milk Applications.

You are requested to attend said Meetings.

Yours faithfully

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

J. McGrath, T. Clerk

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

J. Clarke and J. Olohan.

Also Present :- J.T.O'Byrne Esq., B.E. Town Surveyor

The Committee examined several Bank Pass Books and proposals for Payment and recommended payments on the General Account and Poor Rate Account. Payment of Half-yearly Dividends on Town Stock were also examined and authorised.

Item. 1.

Minutes confirmed.

Item. 2.

No reports.

Item 3.

It was ordered that the 8 Houses be advertised for use as a Store or purposes other than human habitation --the houses to be given on Lease .

Item. 4.

Proposed by Councillor James Clarke and Seconded by Councillor

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Andrew Dunne and passed unanimously That Bartholomew O'Toole, the Council's Sanitary Sub-Officer be appointed as Shops Inspector for one year from the 1st of July 1939 at a Salary of £5 per annum--the appointment to be reviewed at the end of a year.

Item. 5.

The letter from the Department of Local Government & Public Health (H.3046/8/39) dated the 30/6/39 was read and after discussion it was

PROPOSED by Councillor J. Olohan, SECONDED by Councillor J. Clarke and passed unanimously :-

" That this Council again call attention to the Department's of Local Government and of Finance to the fact that the Council's Scheme for Normal Housing was formulated as far back as 1935 when Subsidy at the full rate permissible under the Act of 1932 was being allowed for Normal Housing and to the fact that the Council's finances were involved in anticipation of the Scheme and that we claim that we have such a compelling case for Subsidy at least at the rate of 15% on 10 houses that we are entitled to abandon the Slum Problem and not to proceed further with it in the event of Subsidy being refused (on this Scheme) and that we ask our Chairman, J. Everett T.D., to take the matter up with the Department -ts concerned with a view to finding a speedy solution."

Item. 6.

The following letters from the Department of Local Government & P.H. were submitted and dealt with as shown :-

Letter G.2583/7/39 sanctioning Temporary Borrowing up to £2400 up to the 31st of July 1939.

Noted.

Letter H. 568/6/38 of the 19th June 1939 asking for the completion of certificates in respect of Houses provided under the Housing Acts in respect of the 120 Houses and remainder of 28/6/39.

Certificates completed and signed by the Chairman and Town Clerk were forwarded on the 30/6/39

Letter (H.7083/6/39) of the 29th June 1939 inquiring if the Council had yet reconsidered the rents fixed for the 120 houses.

Replied to on the 30th June 1939.

Letter H.5263/7/39 of the 23rd June 1939 approving of the Council's Scheme of Allotments for 1939. The Town Clerk reported that the Department's Inspectors had commented very favourably on the plots and also that all plots had now been sprayed with the exception of three.

Noted.

Circ .letter (No. G.79/39) of the 1st July 1939 dealing with the Revision of Bonus.

Read.

P.H.Circ 57/9 of the 5th May 1939 re appointment of Shops Inspector.

The Lease to Jos. Vize ^{See} order under item 4. above. year was executed. the plot to rere of his house @ 15/- per Half costs only to be charged.

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Letter from Robert Conway of Bond Street Wicklow dated the 4th July 1939 asking that the plot allotted to him at Dunbur Road be enlarged so as to give him a frontage of 60 feet. After discussion ----- it was PROPOSED by Councillor J.Olohan , Seconded by Councillor W.O'Grady and passed unanimously

That the two building plots on Mr Delahunt's field fronting the existing Main Road at Dunbur be increased so as to give a frontage of 54 feet and that the rent be increased to £2 : 2 :-

Letter of the 29th June 1939 from the Dublin & Wicklow Manure Co.Ltd, saying that their Managing Director and Local Wicklow Manager would be agreeable to discuss the matter of the Murrough Road with representatives of the Council on the 7th July at 11 am at the Town Hall.

Noted: Councillors J.Everett, C.W.Hudson, M.McMahon and (if he so wishes)O'Grady, Town Surveyor and Town Clerk to meet the Deputation.

Letters of thanks from the Hibernian Bank Manager and from the Brother Superior for the grant to them of site on Sea Front and the use of the Murrough on the 25/6/39 accordingly. Noted.

James Dickenson of Monkton Row tendered for the grazing of the balance of the field at Dunbur Road (part out in building sites) at 1/- per week. Accepted.

Letter of application from Mrs Windross for house likely to be vacated at St Dominick's Road by Ml. Cullen. Adjourned Copy letter of the 27th June 1939 from Town Clerk to Henry Hamilton calling his attention to the terms of his signed undertaking to repair and improve houses at Monkton Row(Mrs Windross in one). Approved.

Item 7. Reports of Waterworks overseer , Town Sergeant and Rent Collector were read . The RentCollection was regarded as very unsatisfactory and the Collector was instructed to serve Notice to Quit on all Tenants who owed £1 or over.

Item. 8. Ruled on .

Certified a True Copy 5/7/39

Town Clerk.

Confirmed William O'Grady Chairman.

Minutes of Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Friday the 21st day of July 1939 pursuant to the following Notice sent to each Member on the 18th July 1939.

Dear Sir, 18/7/39 A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held (pursuant to Requisition) on Friday the 21st inst at 7.30 a. m. to deal with the following :- 1. To consider the question of Rents on Artisans' Dwellings and to fix new rents having regard to the Department's letter declining to sanction inclusive Rents . You are requested to attend said Meeting. Yours faithfully J. McGrath, T.Clerk To :- Each Member , Wicklow U.D.C.

Present :- Councillors J. Everett T.D., Wm. O'Grady, M.McMahon, J.Olohan, C. W. Hudson.

The Town Clerk submitted the following table showing the Rents and Rates payable by the Tenants for the year 1939/40 on the assumption that the Council adhered to the inclusive figures for Rents already agreed on :-

Table with 6 columns: Houses, Situate, P.L.Valuation, Incl.Rent, Rates, Net Rent. Rows list various properties like Ballynerrin, Castle Street, St Dominick's Road, and Monkton Row with their respective valuations and rents.

The net rents would then be as follows :-

- 34 @ 3/3 1/2
34 @ 2/11 1/2
12 @ 2/9 3/4
10 @ 3/4
2 @ 3/0
28 @ 2/5
28 @ 1/6 1/2

for the year 1939/40 (Rates being £1:-:6 in the £.)

The Six Murrough houses and the 10 Dunbur Road Houses never had an inclusive Rent.

It was unanimously agreed to request the Department to sanction the above net Rents --it being understood that the Rents would remain fixed even though the Rates would reduced or in other words that the inclusive Rents in the Tenancy agreements should always continue to obtain.

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A Petition signed by 80 of the Tenants of the new houses at Ballynerrri
-n for a reduction of Rent of 1/- per week --dated the 21st July 1939
--was read.

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Town Clerk.

Confirmed

William O'Grady
Chairman

Minutes of Monthly (August) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District
Council held on Tuesday the 1st day of August 1939 pursuant to the
following Notice sent to each Member on the 29th day of July 1939.

29/7/39.

Dear Sir,

The Monthly Meeting of the Finance & General Purposes
Committee of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on
Tuesday the 1st of August 1939 at 7 p.m.

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will
will be held on Tuesday the 1st of August 1939 at 7.30 p.m. to
deal with the following :-

1. To confirm Minutes of Meetings of 4/7/39 and 21/7 / 39.
2. To consider Report of Finance & General Purposes Committee of
15/7/39
3. To Rule on list of uncollected Rates for 1938/39 and to execute
Warrants of Collector for 1939/40
4. To give necessary authority for proceedings for the recovery of
possession from Artisans' Dwellings Tenants served with Notice.
5. To consider Tenders for Leasing of Bond Street Houses .
6. To consider Report from Deputation who met the D.& W. Manure
Co. re the Murrough Road and the offer by the Government of a
Grant of £1465 for Relief Works.
7. To consider offers for the Redemption of Town Stock (3½%) at
£70 per cent and if agreed to execute the necessary Documents
8. To execute Leases to R. F. Conway, E. Dickenson & H. Hamilton
9. Correspondence .
10. Reports of Officers
11. Free Milk applications.

You are requested to attend said Meetings .
To Each Member , Wicklow U.D.C. Yours faithfully

J. McGrath, T. Clerk

Present :- Councillors W. O'Grady, J. Olohan, A. Dunne, C.W. Hudson, E. Lalor.

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

Item . 1.

Minutes confirmed

Item 2.

The Town Clerk reported that after notice to each member the following
recommendations were made by the Committee on Saturday the 15th July 1939

(Present :- Councillors J. Everett T.D., J. Olohan and C.W. Hudson) :-

- Also present :- J.T.O'Byrne , Town Surveyor.
- (a) That 3 dozen slates be offered to Mr P. Keogh at 8d each
 - (b). That the Regatta Committee be given the Murrough for 10 days from the
4/8/39 on the usual terms
 - (c) That Edward Dickenson be given a Lease of "Gregory's Bank " from the
29th September 1939 at 10/- per annum --all development of the plot

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(being the site of Houses acquired under "The Wicklow Urban (No.1) Purchase Order 1934 ") and buildings thereon to be subject to the Engineer's approval.

- (d) That the problem of the Bus Dept. of the G.S.Rys. re the new footpath at South Quay as outlined in their letter of the 14th July be referred to the Town Surveyor and that he also arrange with them to stop in the Market Square as well as at Fitzwilliam Square .

Proposed by Councillor J. Olohan and Seconded by Councillor A. Dunne and passed unanimously "That the recommendations be adopted and confirmed ".

Item 3.

The lists of uncollected Rates for ~~1938~~ 1938/39 were gone into fully and it was

Proposed by Councillor E. Lalor , Seconded by Councillor C.W.Hudson

- (a) that from the Town Rates listed Rates amounting in the aggregate to £460 : 19 : 7 be carried forward into the Warrant for 1939/40 for subsequent collection and that Rates amounting in the aggregate to £180 : 16 : 6 be struck off as irrecoverable .

- (b) That from the Poor Rates listed , Rates amounting in the aggregate to £270 : 17 : 11 be carried forward into the 1939/40 Warrant for subsequent collection and that Rates amounting in the aggregate to £133 : 2 : - be struck off as irrecoverable.

It was also proposed by Councillor E. Lalor and Seconded by Councillor C.W.Hudson and passed (a) "That the Rate Collector be instructed to take energetic steps to recover rates from Defaulters especially Defaulters of over 1 or 2 years " . (b) that the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to the Warrants to Edward Kennedy for 1939/40.

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The cases were gone into fully and the efforts that were being made by the parties to clear arrears were examined and the Rent Collector's Report on all cases owing over 10/- was read.

Order (unanimously) :-
Proceedings to be taken against William Canavan Jr., Wm. Canavan Sr J. McDermot, Dan Hall, Thomas Kelly and P.Courtney for the recovery of possession

Item 5.

No tenders having been received the matter was adjourned.

Item 6.

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Item 6.

Adjourned to next meeting when it was expected that there might be a larger attendance of Councillors

Item 7.

The Town Clerk read the full correspondence and stated that acting on a suggestion of the Department of Local Government & P.H. he had circularised all Stock-holders offering to redeem at £60 or alternatively asking them to state their price . He had one offer from Mrs B. L. Power to redeem £100 @ £60 and another from Capt. A.R.S.Nutting to redeem at £70 % his holding of £1500. He (Town Clerk) read letter from the Council's Stock Brokers (L.A.Waldron & Co.) stating that £70 was reasonable provided the Council had not to borrow to redeem. The Town Clerk reorted that subject to confirmation by the Council he had arranged with the Stock.Brokers to sell the most suitable of the Council's investments so as to realise £760 which together with £350 odd cash in Bank would provide the necessary funds to redeem Mrs Power's and Capt Nutting 's holdings at the prices offered : that he had prepared the necessary Transfers for execution.

It was Proposed by Councillor E. Lalor, Seconded by Councillor J. Olohan and passed unanimously :-

- (a). That the Council redeem the holdings of Mrs B. L. Power (£100) and Capt. Nutting (£1500) in Wicklow Town 3 1/4 % Stock at £60 % and £70 % respectively.
- (b) That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deeds of Trasfer accordingly
- (c) That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to the letter of Attorney to Messrs Waldron & Co Stockbrokers to enable them to realise £780 : 8 : 10 of I.F.S. 4% Conversion Loan 1950/70.
- (d). That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to the new Certificate of Mrs T. Moore on the Transfer to her of £500 of the Stock.

Item 8.

Proposed by Councillor John Olohan Seconded by Councillor E. Lalor and passed unanimously

That the Common Seal of the Wicklow Urban District Council be affixed to the Leases Counterparts and Memorials to Robert F. Conway and Edward Dickenson of plots of ground at Dunbur Road and "egory's Bank" (Upper end of St Dominick's Rd) at £2 : 2 : - and 10/- per annum respectively. The Lease to Mr Hamilton was not ready for execution and was left over.

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Item 9.

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

Letter G.18232/2/39 of 15th July 1939 sanctioning an expenditure of £8 : 12 : 6 for 1939/40, and £5 for each of the years 1940/41 and 1941/42 on advertising under Sec. 4 of the Tourist Traffic(Development) Act 1931 (Wicklow Town Folder Guide).

Read and noted.

Letter asking for completion of Loan Application Form for supplementary Loan for the 120 houses and Town Clerk's copy letter of the 24th July 1939 in reply.

Read and approved.

Letter H.5263/8/39 of 13th July 1939 giving particulars of the recoupment of £85 : 15 : 6 for expenditure under the Allotment Scheme 1939.

Read

Letter H. 7083/12/39 of 26th July 1939 calling attention to Secs. 6 & 9 of the Local Government (Rates on Small Dwellings) Act 1928 in connection with the Council's desire to have an inclusive rent sanctioned for the 120 houses.

Read.

Letter H. 568/6/38 of 8th July 1939 dealing with the Certificates submitted in respect of the tenanting of the 120 houses and calling attention to re-occupation of certain houses and warning re loss of subsidy.

Adjourned to next meeting

Letter RU/206/17 of 18/7/39 offering £1465 as Grant for Autumn and Winter works

Adjourned with item 6.

Letter H.7083/11/39 of 28th July 1939 enclosing Copy of Report of Engineering Inspector on his inspection of 120 Houses on 17/7/39

Copy sent to Engineer : to be adjourned for his report.

Cir. S. 82/39 of 13th July 1939 with Summary of Provisions of Town and Regional Planning (Amendment) Act 1939

Refer to Town Surveyor

Letter H. 3046/8/39 of 24th July 1939 stating that the Town Clerk's letter of the 5th idem with Resolution was receiving attention---on the subject of subsidy for 10 houses for Normal needs.

Noted.

Letter H.3046/10/39 of 4th July 1939 allotting a Grant of £280 on Territ Land Sewer

Adjourned.

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Letter P. H. 20668/2/39 of 21st and 22nd of July 1939 sanctioning the appointment of B.O'Toole as Shops Inspector at £5 per annum and stating the salary ranked for recoupment under the P.H.Acts.: the appointment being for 12 months

Read.

Letter C.P. 710/4/39

giving copy of letter written to D.Mosley & Sons re delay about Fire Hose

Read

Letter M.C.17,798/39 of 14th July 1939 inquiring re vaccination Defaulter

Serve Notices.

Letter S. 11630/5/39 of 12th July 1939 dealing with additions to Waterworks Cottage and sanctioning the substituted works.

Refer to Engineer.

Letter H. 7083/9/39 of 19th July 1939 sanctioning the payment to the Town Clerk of fees amounting to £240 for duties carried out in connection with the Council's Scheme of 120 houses -th~~s~~ payment to be made from the loans raised for the Scheme as originally provided.

Noted

Letter (F.60/7/39) of the 12th July 1939 from the Department of Finance in reply to Clerk's of the 5th idem embodying the Council's Resolution of protest about the Scheme of better class houses stating that the matter was one for the Department of Local Government & P.Health

Read.

Letter from Valuation office notifying Annual Revision by H.McGrath the Revising Valuer. The Town Clerk explained that ,in view of some recent criticisms, the public should know that the Council have no say in Valuations.

Read.

The following letters were read and noted

Letter from Mrs Delahunt of 25/7/39 pointing out, in reply to Town Clerk's letter of complaint re Coates' Lane property that her son would call to arrange about it.

Letter of 7/7/39 from the Association of Municipal Authorities inviting the Council to join.

Letter of C.M.O.H. re premises and herd of J.Lalor Milk Contractor for Free Milk scheme and Copy of Town Clerk's letter of 31/7/39 to Mr Lalor in connection with the matter. Mr Lalor attended and explained that he had attended to the complaints.

Letter of 1st August 1939 from H. Hamilton in reply to the Town Clerk's letter calling attention to his delay in carrying out repairs & improvements to the houses at Monkton Row as undertaken and saying he had been sick

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Letter from I.T.G.W. Union calling attention to the objectionable practice of nuisances being committed in the passage between the Ballroom Marquee and the Marine. The letter was dated the 25th July 1939 and the Town Clerk reported that on the 27th July he had sent a copy to Councillor A. Dunne and that he had now his reply.

Send copy of Reply to the I.T.& G.W.Union.

Letter dated the 26th July 1939 from Town Surveyor certifying that a sum of £250 might now be paid on foot of the agreed advance to Alphonsus O'Connor under the small Dwellings Acquisition Acts

The sum of £225 to be paid out at this meeting

Letter of the 20th July 1939 from Dr Beckett C.M.O.H. enclosing his report of the 20/7/39 of his inspection on that day of house occupied by Mrs McCarthy at Bath Street.

Report read in full : no action taken.

Letter dated the 31st of July 1939 from the Secretary of the Board of Health in reply to the ~~the~~ Town Clerk's letter of the 24th idem stating that the Board had made an order on his letter

"Prospective tenants of the type in question ,to produce clean receipts before getting cottages "

NOTED.

The Town Clerk reported that he was informed that three of the Council's tenants were being taken out to Labourers Cottages in the Country under the control of the Board of Health and that he had two of them to see him and to arrange terms as to the repayment of arrears of Rent viz Ward & ~~xxxx~~ Bell : the other reported case , John McCormack, had not seen him. Applications from S.D.Conroy, J. Kavanagh, James Dunne, T. Redmond and Mrs Waldron for vacant houses were read. It was also mentioned that Mrs Windross had been an applicant already :on the assumption that three houses were becoming vacant, the following orders were made :-

- (a) S. D. Conroy to be given Ward's house subject to sanction.
- (b) J. Dunne to be allotted a house provided his present house must , in accordance with Town Surveyor's findings, be vacated before repaired and that the owner undertakes to do repairs before re-letting
- (c). J. Kavanagh to get Bell's house provided the Engineer finds that his house must be vacated before repaired and that Mrs Doyle undertakes to do repairs before re-letting

The application of Thomas Dickenson dated the 1st August 1939 for leave to put an entrance gate to the yard at his house 13 St Dominick's Rd. and a shed for potatoes and blocks was referred to the Town Surveyor.

Item 9.

Reports read from S.S.O.& Town Sergeant, Waterworks Overseer, Town Agent and Veterinary Inspector.

Water to be cut off from those permitting persistent waste

Item 10.

Ruled on .

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Directions were given for all-night lighting of the Public Lamps on the nights of 6-7th and 7th-8th of August in preparation for the Wicklow Regatta.

On the Proposition of Councillor J.Olohan , Seconded by Councillor C. W. Hudson a Vote of sympathy was passed to Councillor James Clarke on the occasion of the death of his father :the Town Clerk was directed to convey to Councillor Clarke ~~xxx~~ the Council's sympathy with him on the occasion.

Certified a True Copy

8th August 1939

Town Clerk

Confirmed

W. J. Gredy

Chairman.

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL
OF WICKLOW

Recd.....

Ans.....

Minutes of Monthly (September) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 5th of September 1939 pursuant to the following notice sent to each member on the 1st September 1939 .

Town Hall
1st September 1939

Dear Sir,

The Monthly Meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 5th inst at 7 o'clock p.m.

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

- (1) To confirm Minutes of Meetings held on 1/7/39, 21/7/39 & 1/8/39
- (2) To consider any reports of the Finance & G. Purposes Committee.
- (3) To consider Tenders for Leasing of Bond Street Houses (adjourned)
- (4) To consider Report of Deputation who met the D. & W. Manure Co. re the Murrough Road and the offer by the Government of a Grant of £1465 for Relief Works (adjourned).
- (5) To consider proposal for a new Bridge to replace the present Woodenbridge across the Leitrin River.
- (6) Correspondence.
- (7) Reports of Officers.
- (8) Free Milk applications.

You are requested to attend said Meetings.

Yours faithfully
J. McGrath, T. Clerk.

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

Present :- Councillors W. O'Grady (Presiding), C. W. Hudson, J. Olohan, A. Dunne, R. J. O'Connor and R.B. Haskins.

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

Item 1.

Minutes of three Meetings confirmed.

Item 2 .No Reports

Item 3.

The Town Clerk read a Tender which he had received from Messrs D.H. Haskins & Son Ltd offering £1 for rent on Lease of the Houses for 75 years.

As the offer was considered inadequate, the matter was adjourned for further consideration.

Item 4.

The Town Clerk reported that on the 7th July 1939, the Managing Director of the Company and Mr Pearson, Resident Manager, met the following at the Town Hall :- Councillors J.Everett T.D., M. McMahon, C. W.Hudson and J.Olohan and also the Town Clerk and Town Surveyor--- that the estimated cost of a new concrete road at £2457 was indicated

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to the Company's representatives and that they promised if the Council proceeded with the work that they would give a contribution but would not say, until the scheme was ready, what they might give. It was agreed that the Council be recommended to put up the proposal for a Government Grant.

Order :- Council considered that the matter should be deferred as more urgent and necessary works had first preference.

Item 5.

It was ordered that the Town Surveyor should prepare a Specification and Plan for a new ferro-concrete footbridge across the Leitrin River and that same be furnished to the Department of Local Government and Public Health

Item 6.

The following letters from the Department of Local Government were submitted and ruled on as shown in each case :-

Letter H.1700/3/39 of the 25th August 1939 referring to letter of the 13th April 1939 from Town Clerk asking for a Grant in aid of Sewer at Dunbur and asking for particulars of the land leased to Mr Finlayson and basis on which the ~~xxxx~~ Head rents were fixed in the cases of Mrs Everett, Wm. Sutton and Alphonsus O'Connor and asking for particulars of the Lease to Mr Conway referred to in Clerk's letter of 9/8/39.

Town Clerk to reply as indicated by him.

Letter (H.2032/8/39) of the 17/8/39 referring to the Town Clerk's letters of 2/8/39 and 3/8/39 on the subject of the grant of a house to S.D.Conroy subject to sanction and pointing out that the matter would be governed by the Law and regulations governing subsidy. also enclosing copy of a letter sent the Wicklow Board of Health with regard to their letting cottages to tenants of the Council's houses and asking to be informed of similar letterings in future.

Send Mr Conroy the relevant extract from the letter.

Letter (C.2583/9/39) sanctioning payment of Poundage on Town and Poor Rates lodged by Edward Kennedy @ 6d and 1/- respectively for the 1938/39 Warrants.

Read.

Letter H.7053/15/9 of the 17th August 1939 sanctioning an overdraft of £1000 for the Scheme of 120 houses pending raising of Loan for £1555.

Read

H. 7053/15/39 of 17th August 1939 sanctioning Loan of £1555 (Supplemental) for completion of the Scheme of 120 houses .

Read

(3)

Adjourned letter (H.568/6/38) of 8th July 1939 calling attention to the ~~fact~~ that Certificates submitted in respect of the tenanting of the 120 houses and requesting the Council to see that the Orders and undertakings were carried out or otherwise the Council may lose subsidy.

To be put on the Agenda for next Meeting.

The Town Clerk submitted a file of correspondence dealing with Public Lighting restrictions under the Air Raid Precautions Act 1939 and pointed out that the administration of the Act in the Urban Area was a matter for the County Council.

Noted.

Letter of 4/9/39 from the Secretary of the Wicklow Harbour Board calling attention to the poor attendance of Councillors at her Board's meeting.

Read.

Letter of the 5th September 1939 from the Superintendent G.S. Wicklow suggesting that before the Council renew the Licence for Mr Clarke's Cinema (Excelsior Cinema, Wicklow) the Council should have the place examined by their engineer--stating that in his opinion the place should not in its present condition be licensed for cinematograph exhibition.

Order : Engineer (Town Surveyor) to interview Superintendent and report to next Meeting.

The Town Clerk read undertakings from H. Hamilton and Margaret Doyle in respect of their houses at Monkton Row and Convent Road respectively on which undertakings James Dunne and John Kavanagh had been allotted houses.

Noted and accepted.

Letter of the 30th August 1939 from E.H.H. Hopkins Solicitor for John Power dealing with the latter's complaint re alleged sewer and asking the Council's views as to his client laying down a pipe at the end of the gable and if later the alleged sewer should in fact prove to be a sewer would the Council be prepared to maintain it.

Adjourn

Letter from 10 tenants of the Council's houses at Glenview Rd. asking the Council to remove Mary Hollingsworth from No. 8 Glenview Road as she was a nuisance to them: ~~xxxxx~~ letter received on the 5/9/39 : also a letter from one of the tenants G. Cullen who is next door to Mary Hollingsworth and who had signed the joint letter but who now repudiated the same and said he had no complaint against Mary Hollinsworth . Order :- Adjourn.

(4)

The Town Clerk submitted the following report on the working of the School Meals Scheme for 1938/39 :-

Meals were distributed from the 31st of October 1938 and continued without interruption on every school-going day until the 31st March 1939 for a total of 95 days.

The number of meals distributed to Girls was 4208 and to boys 3933 or a total of 8141 meals. The total cost was £96:17:11 or about 2³/₄d per meal.

The number admitted to the benefits of the Scheme was 120 (51 Boys and 69 Girls). The average attendance was 86 i.e 42 Boys and 44 Girls.

The number of ladies giving their services voluntarily to supervise the distribution of the Meals has so far reduced as to make the work of supervising for the few remaining both onerous and exacting: it would appear that in the event of the unavoidable absence of the few attending there would be no supervisors to attend and mark the rools etc.

For this reason all the greater credit and thanks of the Council are due to the few voluntary workers left and in particular to Miss Fitzsimmons who acted as Hon. Secretary.

14. 8. '39. J. McGrath, T. Clerk.
The Council expressed their thanks to the ladies for their work on the Scheme.

On the proposition of Councillor J. Olohan Seconded by Councillor A. Dunne it was resolved that the Council accept Mrs Everett's undertaking to reside ~~the~~ in the house on Dunbur Road for at least 3 years (built under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts Scheme) and that the Chairman sign the undertaking on behalf of the Council.

The Report of the Auditor on the Accounts of the Burial Board for the year 1938/39 was submitted and marked read.

Item .7.

Reports were read from Rent Collector on collection of Rents, Waterworks Overseer, Town Sergeant & S.S. Officer and Veterinary Inspector on his Milk and Meat inspections for the month of August.

On the Proposition of Councillor John Olohan Seconded by Councillor A. Dunne a vote of sympathy was passed to Councillors D.H. Haskins and R. B. Haskins on the death of Miss Thomasina Haskins and it was decided to adjourn the remaining business as a mark of respect .

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Confirmed
J. McGrath
Chairman.