

applying for Caretaker had been posted up and that last date for receiving Applications would be the 5th inst.

A discussion took place as to the remuneration offered which the Council thought insufficient and recommended that the freelaboratories be closed fitted with slots, that if no application for the post was received the County Manager should make a payment of 10/- per week in addition to takings from slots.

The Manager's Order that posters be placed all over the Town warning the public against dumping of refuse &c on the public roads and byeways lead to a long discussion as a result of which an Order was made that the Sub-Sanitary Officer do everything in his power to find out the names of the parties responsible for dumping and to prosecute immediately as no Notice seems to have been taken of the warning notices already published.

Arising out of the Tenders for Grass Seeds for Council's Corporate Estate Councillor R. B. Haskins inquired if his firm was still disqualified from tendering for local requirements of the Council. He pointed out that his firm was a limited Company and that he thought his Company should be permitted to tender and requested a ruling on the matter from the County Manager.

Item 3. The Acting Clerk reported that 131 free allotments had been granted this year as against 134 last year. The Council's tillage scheme for School Meals had been completed on the 20th April, the Seeds being planted by the Council's permanent men and three hired men and one carter which cost £1. 16. 6. in extra wages.

Item 4. Adjourned application for Henry Kennan for Lease of yard at South Quay was discussed and an application from John Kane for Lease of same yard was also before the Meeting. After a long discussion on the matter it was agreed that the Acting Clerk advertise the letting of the yard in question.

Item 5. Application of Mrs. Margaret Clarke "Mount Carmel" for Lease of plot of ground adjoining her premises at Mount Carmel.

The Acting Clerk stated that Mrs. Clarke held this plot from the Council for a number of years in eleven months tenancy and that the valuation of the plot was included in the valuation of the "Mount Carmel" premises.

Proposed by Councillor. C. W. Hudson.
Seconded by Councillor J. Everett.

That We the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby graht a Lease of plot of ground at Corporation Lands containing 2 roods and 20 perches to Mrs. Margaret Clarke for the term of 31 years subject to yearly rent of £1.
J. Olohan. 1. 5. 45.

Item 6. (See Order on No. 4.).

Item 7.
Letter of 21. 4. 45 from Department of Lands dealing with Firewood logs at Glenmalure and letter from Messrs. Haughton, Rathdrum were read and discussed.

The Acting Clerk stated that he had been speaking to Mr. Haughton over the phone that morning who stated that he had applied to the Department of Supplies for Petrol Coupons and had requested that he (Acting Clerk) should get into communication with the Department with a view to expediting

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the issue of the Coupons. The Acting Clerk informed the Meeting that he had failed to get the Department on the phone but he would try again. Deputy Everett stated that he would look up the Department of Supplies when in Dublin on next day.

Item 7a. The Meeting having examined the list of applications for houses inspected by County Medical Officer of Health and Town Surveyor and their report thereon recommended the occupiers of Hillside Cottage, James Crofton his wife and five children for the vacant house at No. 12. Glenview Road. on the grounds that over-crowding. No. 2. on the list James Keogh having already been accommodated with house it was recommended that William Rutledge be allotted the next vacant house.

The Town Surveyor stated that when this tenant was removed that Owner should be informed that now would be an opportune time to carry out reconstruction to the premises and that when re letting a large family should not be given tenancy.

ITEM 8- Correspondence

Letter from Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 7th April, 1945 sanctioning overdraft accommodation not exceeding £1500 to 31st March, 1945 also letter dated 7th April, 1945 from same Department sanctioning overdraft accommodation not exceeding £500 on Fuel A/c for the period to 6th February, 1945 were read.

The Acting Clerk informed the Meeting that the present overdraft with the Treasurer was £1089. 15. 3. that he had for payment during the coming month the sum of £3071. 14. 0. of this amount there are payments due to Board of Trade amounting to £2713. Sanction for overdraft accommodation would be required for £4,000.

Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson
Seconded by Councillor James Everett T. D.

That the Acting Town Clerk apply for renewal of Authority for overdraft accommodation up to a limit of £4,000 up to our next meeting to be held on 5th June, 1945. J. Olohan 1. 5. 45.

Letter dated 29th April, 1945 from Secretary, Wicklow G.A.A. Club requesting the erection of a temporary convenience on the Murrough as the Feis is being held in the Town this year and in the month of June.

A long discussion took place and the Acting Clerk in reply to Chairman's enquiry as to the amount of rents received by the Council for lettings of The Murrough for the year ending 31st March, 1945 stated that receipts were £ 9. 15. 0. This amount the Council considered very unsatisfactory and agreed that the suggested public convenience was necessary but that the lettings of The Murrough should realise sufficient to clear all expenditure in connection with upkeep of same.

Proposed by Councillor R. B. Haskins
Seconded by Councillor C. W. Hudson.

That the Town Surveyor be instructed to erect a public convenience on the Murrough at a costs of not exceeding £50

That the minimum charge of £1. per day be made to any organization using the Murrough

That all Circus and other travelling shows be charged at the rate of £5. per day.

That camping grounds be charged for at the rate of 1/- per day camp per day (special rate to be charged in cases of clubs &c)

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That the Charges be paid in advance and receipts be displayed at entrance gates before any charges of admission to the Murrrough can be made.

Letter L. 5387/45 dated 21st April, 1945 from Department of Local Government and Public Health setting out the years from 31st March, 1934 to 31st March, 1945 in respect of Estate Duty Grant paid on 22nd March, 1945.

Noted.

Letter dated 28th April, 1945 from Mr. D. C. O'Connell on behalf of Swimming Club requesting equipment and facilities afforded last year at new pier suggesting that the staving be erected by 1st June and requesting the Council to attend to the pier surface and seeking permission to erect a diving board at pier. Also applying for a site to erect dressing room at the entrance to pier.

Recommend that all facilities be granted to Swimming Club and that Town Surveyor arrange with Mr. O'Connell for selection of site for proposed Dressing room.

Letter dated 28th March, 1945 P: H.5215/45 from Department Local Government and Public Health enclosing copy of Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Amendment Regulations 1945 made on 19th March, 1945 providing for compulsory notification of cases of disease known as scabies.

Noted.

Arising out of discussion on roads repairs and footpaths it was recommended that a concrete path be laid at Clarke's on both sides of approach to promenade. The Town Surveyor estimating that same would cost about £30.

A question was raised by the Chairman regarding the granting of Leases and it was pointed out that several Lessees who had received renewals of Leases understood that their Leases were for 75 years but were in fact only for 31 years. He asked if anything could be done in these cases and it was suggested that the parties concerned should write to the Council giving all particulars when the matter would be considered.

Report of Waterworks Overseer was read and his application for extra man for one week to assist at cleaning of Filtering Beds was granted.

Report of Sub-Sanitary Officer was read and instructions were given that all deposits of refuse were to be removed and prosecutions to be carried out against offenders for dumping in unauthorised places.

Confirmed J. O'Lochan

MINUTES of Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 5th June, 1945 pursuant to the following Notice sent to each Member:-

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Town Hall,
Wicklow,
1st June, 1945.

Dear Sir,

The monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday next the 5th June, 1945 at 7.30. p. m. when the following matters will be under consideration

1. Minutes of Meeting held on 1st May, 1945 (Copy herewith).
2. Business transacted since 1st May, 1945 (as per Manager's Order Book).
3. To make Town and Poor Rate for 1945/46 as per published list.
4. Tenders for Letting of plot of ground (suitable for yard) at South Quay.
5. Fuel Scheme.
6. Applications on behalf of Messrs. James McDonald and Loughlin Sutton for new Leases, and Messrs. Fitzpatrick Bros. for Lease of yard.
7. Reports of Officers.
8. Correspondence.

You are requested to attend,
Yours faithfully,
B. Kavanagh,
Acting Town Clerk.

Present Councillors J. O'Lochan (Presiding) C. W. Hudson, James D. Haughton, and Joseph O'Connor.

The Acting Clerk stated that the Manager had asked him to apologise for his absence owing to being engaged in Bray.

ITEM 1. Minutes of Meeting held on 1st May, 1945 were confirmed.

Item 2. The Manager's Order Book was produced and the important Orders made since the 1st May, 1945 were read.

Arising out of the Manager's Order that there were no funds available to carry out repairs to footpaths leading to Promenade the Chairman handed in the following Notice of Motion:-

" That I or some person on my behalf will move that the next monthly Meeting of this Council that a loan be obtained for £500 to carry out necessary improvements in the Town.
J. O'Lochan 5. 6. 45.

ITEM 3 Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson.
Seconded by Councillor J. O'Connor.

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and passed,

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That, We the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby make the following Rates and Assessments upon all occupiers and owners of lands and other hereditaments situate in the Urban District of Wicklow liable thereto, and in accordance with the Rate Book so prepared and this day submitted to us Viz:-

(a) a Town Rate for the service of the year ending on the 31st March, 1946 of one hundred and forty one pence in the £ made up as follows:-

9.	4.	pence in the £ for Urban Roads.
42.	85	" " " " for Expenses under Public Health Acts.
33.	1.	" " " " for Housing for the Working Classes Acts.
55.	65.	" " " " for other expenses.

and (b) a Poor Rate for service of the year ending on the 31st March, 1946 of one hundred and forty one pence in the £ made up as follows:-

133.	11.	pence in the £ for money to be supplied to the Wicklow County Council (of which 8. 25 is in respect of separate charges).
7.	89	" " " " £ for other expenses.

and that the Seal of the Wicklow Urban District Council be affixed accordingly to the Statements and Certificates of the Town and Poor Rates contained in Rate Books for 1945/46 and that the necessary Notices be published forthwith.

ITEM 4. Two tenders were received for letting by Lease of plot of ground at South Quay
(a) Messrs. D.H.Haskins & Son Ltd offering £5. per years
(b) James Dickenson Marlton Road, offering £6.

Proposed by Councillor J. D'Conner
Seconded by Councillor J. D. Haughton.

That we the Members of the Wicklow U. D. C. hereby agree to Grant a Lease of vacant yard at South Quay to Mr. James Dickenson for the term of 75 years at the yearly rent of £6. subject to usual covenants and conditions. J. Olohan 5. 6. 45.

Item 5. Letters were read from Department of Lands re firewood logs at Glenmalure and the Acting Clerk informed the Meeting of the Crux that had arisen regarding the issuing of Petrol Coupons by the Department of Supplies to Messrs. Haughton and of the Deputy's Everett's unsuccessful interviews with Department of Supplies re petrol Coupons. After a long discussion as to the possibilities of having the logs delivered at Wicklow, the Acting Clerk was directed to arrange with Messrs. Haughton the best possible means to take delivery of the logs which were urgently required in the Town.

Item 6. Proposed by Councillor J. O'Conner
Seconded by Councillor J. D. Haughton.

That we the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby agree to grant separate Leases to Messrs. James McDonald and Loughlin Sutton of the premises jointly held under Lease dated 6th July, 1874 made between the Chairman and Commissioners of the Borough of Wicklow to John Chapman.

That the new Leases be granted for terms of 75 years from 25th March, 1945 and that the rent of £15. per year payable under Lease of 6th July, 1874 be apportioned between Lessees and increased in each case by 25%. That the unexpired term of the Lease of 6th July, 1874 be surrendered as from 25th March, 1945.
J. Olohan.

Proposed by Councillor J. D. Haughton
Seconded by Councillor C. W. Hudson.

That we the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby agree to grant to Messrs. Fitzpatrick Bros a Lease of slaughter yard and premises

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at South Quay, Wicklow for the term of 75 years from 25th March, 1945. at the yearly rent of £5 (premises at present held under yearly tenancy at yearly rent of £5.).

J. Olohan 5. 6. 45.

ITEM 7. The Chairman having stated that as a result of a conversation with the Town Surveyor regarding the reconstruction of Woodenbridge he wished to propose the following resolution which was passed unanimously.

Proposed by Councillor J. Olohan.
Seconded by Councillor C. W. Hudson.

It being understood that the Minister will now agree in principle to the proposal to reconstruct the Woodenbridge and to the plans submitted by our Town Surveyor, we directed that in order to avoid delay, the work is to be advertised for contract as soon as formal sanction is received by our Town Surveyor.

J. Olohan. 5. 6. 45.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letter dated 30th May, 1945 from Department of Local Government and Public Health sanctioning overdraft accommodation not exceeding £3000 to the 5th June, 1945.

Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson
Seconded by Councillor J. D. Haughton.

That we direct the Acting Town Clerk to apply for sanction for overdraft accommodation to extend to the date of our next meeting to be held on the 3rd day of July up to £2,000.

Letter dated 22nd May, 1945 from the E. S. B. that the percentage additional to the basic rates of charge for Public Light will be increased from 10% to 30% from 1st June, 1945.
After a long discussion the following Resolution was passed unanimously.

Proposed by J. Olohan
Seconded by C. W. Hudson.
That this Council notes with concern the further increase to be charged on public lighting by the E. S. B. of 20% on basic rates of charge representing an unexpected and unprovided increase on the rates of this Town of additional £40 odd or 10/- per lamp per annum.

That we direct the attention of the Minister for Industry and Commerce to this new charge by the E. S. B. and while stressing what 10/- per lamp all over Eire means in income to the E. S. B. we protest earnestly against the new example of imposing additional burdens on the citizens, who, in so many instances are prevented by the Minister from securing increases themselves to meet such imposts.

That the Council also protests on behalf of the general and private consumer in respect of the general increase demanded from them and we ask the Minister for Industry and Commerce to afford us reasons why the E. S. B. are allowed to impose these increased all round at this stage.
J. Olohan.

Letter dated 4th June, 1945 from Mr. D. C. O'Connell on behalf of Swimming Club requesting the rent of £1. charged for site at Foreshore to be reduced to 10/-.

Recommend that the Manager fix a rent of 10/- for proposed site at Foreshore.
Letter dated 1st June, 1945 from Rate Collector requesting balance of poundage due on Poor and Town Rate Collections, and pointing

that it was seven months since he had received any remuneration.

Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson
Seconded by Councillor J. D. Haughton.

That the Department be asked their reason for not sanctioning payment of poundage to Collector Edward Kennedy who had closed his Rate Warrants on 31st March, 1945. The last payment on Account of poundage being made to him seven months ago. We consider the delay in sanctioning payment of balance of poundage an unjustified hardship to impose on an official and his family at a time when the cost of living is at its highest peak.

J. Olohan 5. 6. 45.

Letter H.17/45 dated 29th May, 1945 from Department of Local Government and Public Health in regard to securing the repair of unfit houses which are capable of being rendered fit at reasonable cost asking for copy of Manager's Order thereon and details of further action taken requested in Department's correspondence.

Refer to Town Surveyor.

Letter H. 67/1945 dated 25th May, 1945. from Department of Local Government and Public Health dealing with non-compliance of terms of Letting Agreements of Local Authorities either by sub-letting or by use of portion of dwelling for trade purposes.

Acting Clerk to reply that terms of Agreements are being complied with and that no cases of sub-letting &c of the Council's houses exist in this area.

Letter dated 2nd May, 1945 from Messrs. E & W. Dempsey to the effect that they would not be interested in the old machinery offered for sale by the Council.

A discussion took place regarding offers received and the Acting Clerk stated that only one offer had been made which the Town Surveyor considered inadequate. Messrs. Hendron Bros had offered £51. 10. 0.

The Council recommended that this offer be accepted.

Letter dated 4th June, 1945 from Mr. R. Howard that he had been granted a renewal of Lease of his premises a few years ago and that he thought that the Lease was for the usual 75 years but that in fact it was granted only for 31 years and asking if the term in the Lease could be changed to 75 years instead of 31 years.

Proposed by J. Olohan
Seconded by J.O'Connor.

That if Council's Solicitors advise that Leases can be altered to 75 years terms the Council recommends that whatever procedure the law Agent advises be put into effect regarding Mr. Howard's Lease which has been granted for 31 years only.

J. Olohan.
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Letter from Dr. Beckett enclosing copy of Bacteriologist report on 3 samples of water taken from different parts of the Town.

"These waters show no evidence of sewerage pollution. The high bacterial counts, however, show contamination by vegetable matter."

Letter dated 5th June, 1945 from Wicklow Corn Co re flooding of yard on South Quay owing to defective or choked sewer.

Refer to Town Surveyor.

Letter from Supt. Muldoon enclosing copy of Analysts Report on Sample of Milk taken from Mr. Patrick Phelan Contractor for supplying Free Milk in Wicklow Area.

Read.

Letter dated 25th May, 1945 from Employers Liability Assurance Corporation that they had adjusted premiums for past two years showing 10 Fire Brigade men for each year at £20 per man.

The Acting Clerk stated that he had interviewed the Company's Representative and pointed out that the Fire Brigade's panel consisted of 10 men only and that the majority of this panel were engaged at any outbreaks of fire in the Town from time to time. As a result the Company now send on an amended claim amounting to £5. 16. 8 for 1943 and £5. 17. 3 for 1944 total £11. 13. 11d. as against £20. 16. 8. and £15. 11. 0. total £36. 7½ 8.

Arising out of the Manager's Order re closing of Free Fuel Yard at North Quay Council asked that further information be made available regarding the Free Fuel Scheme, if it is intended to drop the scheme altogether and requested to know what arrangements are intended to be made for supplying the Free Fuel during next winter. The Council's opinion being that the High Street Yard will not hold sufficient fuel to carry out both Schemes.

Reports of Sub-Sanitary Officer and Waterworks Overseer read.

Copy Waterwork's Overseers Report to be sent to Town Surveyor

At the conclusion of the business Councillor C. W. Hudson stated that he wished to say a few words of appreciation to the Chairman for the manner in which he had carried out his duties for the past three years and he hoped that whatever Council was elected that the Chairman would again be returned to the Chair. He thought that the Chairman had set up a record for the three years as he (Councillor Hudson) had been called upon once only ~~in~~ *in* ~~praxi~~ in that period to act in the Chairman's absence.

Councillor Hudson also paid tribute to the Acting Town Clerk on the manner in which he had discharged the Office of Town Clerk since Novr. 1944. He also extended appreciation to the Press and wished to place on record the following Resolution which he proposed

Councillor J. O'Connor wished to endorse all that had been said by Councillor Hudson and seconded Councillor Hudson's resolution.

"That at our Final Meeting this night we desire earnestly to place on record our appreciation of the admirable and efficient manner in which Mr. B. Kavanagh, Acting Town Clerk, has carried out all the duties of his Office since his appointment in November 1944 and we would make strong representations to the incoming Council to do all that is needful to ensure his permanent appointment as Town Clerk, so that, the Council and Town may have the benefit of satisfactory service in the future. J. Olohan. 5. 6. 45. "

Councillor Haughton wished to be associated with the remarks but regretted that Councillors McMahon and Jas Clarke

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were not seeking re-election as they had been very useful members of the Council.

A vote of sympathy Proposed by Councillor J. Olohan and Seconded by Councillor J. D. Haughton was passed to Mr. William Byrne and Mr. J.T.O'Byrne on the death of Miss Winifred M. Byrne sister of Mr. William Byrne and Aunt of Mr. J. T.O'Byrne.

Confirmed

John Olohan

MINUTES of First Annual Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Monday the 25th June, 1945 the following Notice having been sent to each member elected and Notice of Result of Election.

Town Hall,
Wicklow,
21st June, 1945.

Dear Sir,

You are requested to attend at the Town Hall, Wicklow at 12. o'clock noon on Monday next the 25th day of June, 1945, the First Annual Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council as elected on the 14th inst, to transact the following business:-

Declarations of acceptance of Office being First made.

1. To appoint a Chairman of the said Council for the ensuing Year.
(Declaration of Acceptance of Office by Chairman).
2. To appoint a Vice -Chairman of the said Council for ensuing year.
(Declaration of Acceptance of Office ^{Vice} by Chairman).
3. To appoint 8 members to represent the said Council on the Board of the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners.
4. To appoint 7 members to represent the Council on the Rathdrum and Wicklow Joint Burial Board.
5. To appoint members to Represent the Council on the Public Assistance Committee.
6. To appoint any other Representatives on any other Committee on which the Council is entitled to representation and to appoint any other Committee deemed desirable (and arrange their constitution and procedure and to do all other things required by law to be done at such First Annual Meeting.

Yours faithfully,
B. Kavanagh, Clerk.
Acting Town Clerk.

TO/ Each Member
Wicklow U. D. C.

The following Members were in attendance:-
Councillors:- J. Olohan, James Everett, T. D. James Brennan, J.O'Connor, Loughlin Sutton, R.B.Haskins, Edward Kane, William Clarke, and C. W. Hudson.

Also present:- P. T. Healy, Esqr, County Manager.

DECLARATIONS of Acceptance of Office having been made by each member the following matters were then dealt with:-

Item 1. Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson,
Seconded by Councillor Joseph O'Connor.

That, We the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby appoint John Olohan as Chairman of the said Council for the ensuing year and until his successor is lawfully appointed and taken up office as such.

Councillor Olohan accepted the Office, thanked the Members for his re-election as Chairman and signed Undertaking.

ITEM 2. Proposed by Councillor J. Everett.
Seconded by Councillor John Olohan.

That we the Members of the Wicklow Urban District
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hereby appoint C. W. Hudson as Vice- Chairman of the said Council for the ensuing year and until his successor is duly appointed and takes up Office as such.

Amendment proposed by Councillor W. Clarke
Seconded by Councillor James Brennan

That Councillor Loughlin Sutton be appointed Vice-Chairman for ensuing year.

On a poll being taken the amendment was defeated by five votes to four for the amendment.

Councillor Hudson accepted the office, returned thanks for his re-election and signed the Undertaking.

ITEM 3. Proposed by James Everett.
Seconded by C. W. Hudson.

That We the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby appoint the following eight representatives of the said Council on the Wicklow Harbour Board (also referred to as the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners) until they are disqualified and their Successors are duly appointed and take up Office

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| 1. John Olohan | 2. W. Clarke. |
| 3. R. B. Haskins. | 4. Edward Kane. |
| 5. L. Sutton. | 6. J. Brennan. |
| 7. C. W. Hudson. | 8. Joseph O'Connor. |

Item 4. Proposed by J. Everett
Seconded by C. W. Hudson.

That we the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council do hereby appoint the following seven representatives of the said Council on the Rathdrum and Wicklow joint Burial Board to hold Office until they are disqualified or their Successors are duly appointed Viz:-

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| 1. J. Olohan. | 2. J. O'Connor. |
| 3. C. W. Hudson. | 4. W. Clarke. |
| 5. R. B. Haskins | 5. L. Sutton. |
| 7. Edward Kane. | |

Item 5. Proposed by Councillor J. Everett
Seconded by Councillor Ed. Kane.

That, we the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council do hereby appoint the following nine representatives of the said Council on the Public Assistance Committee to hold Office until they are disqualified or until their successors are duly appointed.

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| 1. James Everett. | 6. R. B. Haskins. |
| 2. James Brennan. | 7. Edward Kane. |
| 3. J. O'Connor. | 8. C. W. Hudson. |
| 4. J. Olohan. | 9. W. Clarke. |
| 5. L. Sutton. | |

Arising out of the appointment of Committee under the Public Assistance Act, the Acting Clerk read letter from Acting Superintendent Assistance Officer requesting arrangements to be made for a Meeting of the Committee appointed at an early date

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It was unanimously agreed that a Meeting be convened for Thursday the 28th June, at 3. o'clock. p. m.

ITEM 6. Proposed by J. Everett
Seconded by C. W. Hudson.

That, We the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council do hereby appoint the following two representatives of the said Council on the County Wicklow Vocational Education Committee to hold office until they are disqualified or until their Successors are duly appointed

William Clarke and R. B. Haskins.

Proposed by Councillor J. Everett
Seconded by Councillor W. Clarke.

That the following members of the Council be recommended to the County Council for appointment on the Library Committee, viz:-

Joseph O'Connor, Edward Kane, James Brennan.

A long letter from Minister for Local Government and Public Health pointed out that the welfare and progress of the areas administered by Local Authorities depend largely upon the co-operation of the Local Authority, Department of Local Government and Public Health and County Manager etc.

A discussion ensued and a number of Councillors complained of the undue delay in dealing with proposals of this Council and the Harbour Board in not granting necessary sanctions to proceed with two very important works Viz Reconstruction of Woodenbridge and repairs to North and South Quay walls which have been with Department for a considerable time

After several suggestions had been placed before the Meeting, the Acting Clerk was directed to forward to the Department the following Resolution, which was passed unanimously with a request that a reply be received on or before the next monthly meeting of the Council to be held on the 3rd prox.

Proposed by Councillor W. Clarke.
Seconded by Councillor J. Everett.

Resolved Wicklow Urban District Council has received with much interest and appreciation the Minister's letter of the 22nd June, 1945, in which he points out that the welfare and progress of the areas administered by Local Authorities depend largely upon the co-operation of the Local Authority, the Department of Local Government and Public Health and the County Manager.

This Urban Council desires to point out that there is a most urgent and vital proposal from this Council at present under consideration by the Department namely the taking down and rebuilding of the present footbridge over the River Leitrim which is a highly dangerous condition and closed off to the public.

It is a feeling of this Council that there has been undue delay in obtaining Departmental Sanction to the financial proposals attaching to this work and accordingly we would urge in the strongest possible manner that every financial help should be given this Urban Council and that such financial sanction as is requisite be given immediately, because as already stated, this is a matter of vital importance.

J. Olohan.
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MINUTES of Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow U. D. C. held on Tuesday the 3rd July, 1945 pursuant to the following Notice sent to each Member.

Town Hall,
Wicklow.
28th June, 1945.

Dear Sir,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, on Tuesday next the 3rd July, 1945 at 7.30. p. m. when the following matters will be under consideration:-

1. Minutes of Meeting held on 5th June, 1945 and Minutes of annual Meeting held on 25th June, 1945 (copies herewith).
2. Business transacted since 5th June, 1945 (as per Manager's Order Book).
3. The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Olohan.

"That I or some person on my behalf will move at the next monthly meeting of this Council that a loan be obtained for £500 to carry out necessary improvements in the Town"

4. Fuel Schemes.
5. Application on behalf of Miss Mary Farrell for renewal of Lease for 75 years from 29th September, 1941 instead of Lease granted to Mrs. M. F. Williamson for 31 years (whose interest Miss Farrell has now acquired) also correspondence from Council's Solicitor regarding the granting of such Leases.
6. Reports of Officers.
7. Correspondence.

You are requested to attend said Meeting.

Yours faithfully,
B. Kavanagh,
Acting Town Clerk.

To Each Member,
Wicklow U. D. C.

Present Councillor's John Olohan (Presiding) C. W. Hudson
James Everett T. D. Wm. Clarke, James Brennan, Loughlin
Sutton, Edward Kane, Joseph O'Connor and R. B. Haskins.

Also Present. J. T. O'Byrne, B. E.

Item 1. Minutes of Meetings of 5th June, 1945 and 25th June, 1945 as circulated to Members were confirmed.

Item 2. The Manager's Order Book was produced and the important Orders made since 5th June, 1945 were read.

Arising out of the Manager's Orders Councillor Clarke inquired, if any, word had been received from the Department regarding the Council's resolution and correspondence dealing with the reconstruction of the Woodenbridge.

The Acting Town Clerk having stated that no reply
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had been received since a letter dated 6. 4. 45 to the effect that a reply would be sent shortly. Councillor Clarke suggested that the Council should resign as a protest against the delay in sanctioning the Council's proposals.

Several suggestions having been made by the Councillors and the Town Surveyor having explained that he had been in the Department recently and had been informed that everything was in order and that the proposals had been passed on to the Finance Department Deputy Everett undertook to call on the Department accompanied by Deputy Brennan with a view to having the Council's proposals regarding the reconstruction of the Woodenbridge expedited and the Acting Clerk was directed to notify the Department that the Deputies would call to discuss the matter.

ITEM 3. Councillor Olohan in moving his notice of Motion in the form of a Resolution stated that he was not inclined to press same but that he considered that there were a number of works in the Town which needed immediate attention and he understood that no provision had been made in the estimates to meet the extra works. The Meeting agreed that a number of footpaths throughout the town required immediate attention as they were in a dangerous condition. Several of the Members pointed out different works that required to be done in addition to the footpaths and the Surveyor informed the Meeting of the dangerous condition of the River Wall at Bachelors Walk and if same was not attended to immediately and if the wall collapses there is a danger of sewers collapsing with the wall.

The Town Surveyor was directed to prepare a list of works which required attention and to submit same together with estimates to the next meeting of the Council.

Item 4. Letter dated 28th June, 1945 from the Department of Lands to the effect that an Agreement and remittance for £81. 5. 0. had not been received the Department had cancelled the sale of the firewood logs and alternative arrangements were being made for disposal of firewood.

The Acting Clerk in reply to Councillor Haskins stated that the sum of £81. 5. 0. referred to in the Department's letter was in respect of logs now available for removal and that the Council had paid for all the timber which had been delivered.

After discussing the position of providing fuel for the coming winter, it was recommended that the Scheme be continued and that the County Manager be requested to make provision for the supply of fuel for the coming winter. Councillor Kane stated that he would consider purchasing this timber from the Department of lands.

Item 5. Dealing with applications on behalf of Miss Mary Farrell and Mrs. Margaret Clarke for Leases for 75 years instead of 31 years. a letter from Council's Solicitor Mr. Joseph McCarroll dated 18th June 1945 was read stating that Counsel's opinion was obtained on the 27th November, 1908 stated that the Council could grant Leases for terms of 75 years without the sanction of the Local Government Department. Mr. McCarroll advised that the Leases already executed for 31 years could be surrendered and that new Leases for 75 years could be granted.

Proposed by Councillor L. Sutton
Seconded by Councillor J. O'Connor

That new Leases for 75 years be granted to Mr. R. Howard
Miss Mary Farrell and Mrs. Margaret Clarke.
That the Leases granted to Mr. R. Howard and Mrs. Williamson for 31 years be surrendered. Each party to be responsible for costs of new Leases. J. Olohan 3. 7. 45.

Item 6. Report of Waterworks overseer was read, Councillor Kane inquired if the "vegetable matter" referred to in recent report or samples of water sent for Bacteriological examination was serious. The Town Surveyor stated that it was not serious and that it was the result of growth of weeds &c. at the

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streams supplying the Reservoir and that the streams were being cleaned up for the past couple of weeks as a result of this report. A Discussion took place regarding additional supplies of water to the reservoir and in reply to inquiries as to improving the water supply the Town Surveyor informed the Meeting that the proposals for same were with the Department as a post war Scheme.

ORDER that the Acting Clerk communicate with the Department of Local Government and Public Health requesting that consideration be given to the proposals and for augmentation of the Wicklow Town Water Supply estimates for which have already been submitted to the Department in connection with Post Emergency Schemes.

Arising out of Report of the Town Sergeant, Councillor Everett stated that the Town was being allowed to get into a shocking state and that a number of years ago the public were appealed to successfully to have their dead walls & cleaned and whitened and also stated that old Gas Standards should be removed from the Streets. Councillor Sutton agreed and drew attention to the derelict plot in Main Street and inquired the ownership of same.

The Acting Clerk stated that he believed that the owner of the yard referred to was resident in England.

The Town Surveyor replying to Councillor Sutton stated that the Council could take over derelict sites such as the one referred to.

ORDER. The Town Surveyor was directed to employ an additional man for road work to 1st August, 1945 owing to the growth of weeds and grass which had got ahead.

ITEM 7. Letter from Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 25th June, 1945 sanctioning overdraft accommodation of £2,000 up to 3rd July, 1945.

Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson

Seconded by Councillor R. B. Haskins and passed

That we directed the Acting Town Clerk to apply for authority to continue overdraft on the General Account up to a limit of £2,500 to the next monthly meeting of this Council to be held on the 7th August, 1945.

J. O'Lochan 3. 7. 45.

Letter dated 25th June, 1945 from Department of Local Government and Public Health that Mr. J. J. Flood with Mr. J. A. Clarke in association had been appointed to audit the Council's Accounts for the periods ended 31st March, 1945.

Read.

Correspondence between Acting Town Clerk and Mr. Thomas Byrne, Kilmartin Road regarding the erection of an outoffice without the previous consent of the Council and application for the necessary permission.

Granted.

Letter from the Hon. Secretary, Wicklow Regatta applying for use of the Murrrough foreshore etc from 1st August, 1945 to 7th August, 1945 inclusive

A discussion on the rent to be charged took place and the Acting Town Clerk having pointed out that the minimum charge of £1 per day was recently fixed by the Council, it was recommended that the Regatta Committee pay the sum of £5 for the letting from the 1st to the 7th August, 1945.

It was also recommended that the Public Lights be continued during the nights 4th, 5th and 6th August inclusive.

Letter dated 4th July, 1945 from the Town Surveyor enclosing form of Advertisement for Reinforced Concrete Footbridge should sanction to the financial proposals be received from the Department during his absence on annual leave.

Approved.

Letter E. P. A. 157/15 of the 27th June, 1945 from Department of Supplies dealing with Committee's Resolution protesting against

general increase in electricity charges and that the Minister is satisfied that the increases are vitally essential to meet increased costs arising under Emergency conditions.

Read.

Letter dated 23rd June, 1945 from Mr. A. Cullen, Solicitor enclosing cheque for £3. 10. 0. for drain rods damaged in extinguishing fire at Misses Carroll, Market Square.

Read.

Letter dated 2nd July, 1945 from Swimming Club drawing the Councils attention to portions of surface of pier which require to be cemented.

Recommended that cracks on surface of both piers be repaired.

Letter dated 2nd July, 1945 from Mrs. Vickers, Old Dunbur Road, complaining of damage to her Hall Door.

Repairs to be carried out.

Arising out of Council's recommendation that the offer of Messrs Hendron Bros of £51. 10. 0. for old machinery in Mill Yard be accepted the Town Surveyor informed the Meeting that Mr. Lee of Arklow had inspected the machinery on the 2nd inst and that he was to have a reply here in time for the Meeting.

The Acting Clerk stated that he had received that evening a telephone message on behalf of Mr. Lee and that he was not interested in the machinery as the Shafting was too heavy for the purpose for which he required it

Recommend that offer of Messrs. Hendron be accepted. Councillor Hudson again inquired if any further replies had been received regarding the rights of several interested parties, to burial in Wicklow Graveyard.

The Acting Clerk stated that no further replies had been received and Councillor Everett in dealing with the hardships imposed on Misses Halpin, Misses Kennedy, and Miss Shaw in not being granted burial rights in Wicklow Graveyard said he wished the following resolution to be sent to the Department.

Proposed by Councillor James Everett

Seconded by Councillor C. W. Hudson.

That this Council request the Department to reconsider the claims of Misses Halpin, Misses Kennedy and Miss Shaw regarding their rights to burial in Wicklow Graveyard (Church Hill, Wicklow and that a report be obtained from Dr.

O'Connor M.O.H. and forwarded to Department together with this Resolution. J. O'Lochan 3. 7. 45.

Councillor O'Connor stated that he was dissenting unless the Hamilton Family was included in the Resolution and Councillor Sutton also agreed with Councillor O'Connor.

The Chairman stated that of the parties set out in the Resolution were successful a further resolution could be adopted in respect of the Hamilton Family.

Councillor Kane inquired if the Council were concerned with the boundary wall between yard recently purchased by them, and the Council's yard adjoining. It having been explained that the Council's yard had been leased to Mr. Clarke the boundary wall was a matter between Messrs. Clarke and Kane. Councillor Kane undertook to consult with Mr. Clarke on the matter.

Confirmed

C. W. Hudson

17/8/45.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY (AUGUST) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 7th August 1945 pursuant to following Notice sent to each Member on the 3rd August, 1945.

Town Hall,
Wicklow
3rd August, 1945.

Dear Sir,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday next the 7th inst at 7.30. p. m. when the following matters will be under consideration.

1. Minutes of Meeting held on 3rd July, 1945 (copy herewith).
2. Business transacted since 3rd July, 1945 (per Manager's Order Book)
3. Letter from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (through the County Manager) of allocation of a Grant of £700 (subject to a local contribution of £55) to provide for unemployment.
4. Provision for Fuel for coming Winter.
5. Correspondence.
6. Report of Officers.

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You are requested to attend. In the event of the absence of a Quorum the Meeting will be adjourned to Friday the 10th inst at 7.30. p. m.

Yours faithfully,
B. Kavanagh,
Acting Town Clerk.

TO/ Each Member,
Wicklow U. D. C.

As no quorum attended on the 7th inst, I adjourned the Meeting to Friday the 10th August, at 7.30 p. m. the only members attending on the 7th Aug. being Councillors C. W. Hudson and W. Clarke. B. Kavanagh, Acting Town Clerk.

The following reminder was sent to each Member on the 9th August, 1945.

Town Hall,
Wicklow
9th August, 1945.

Dear Sir,

As the Monthly Meeting summoned for the 7th inst was not held because of the absence of a Quorum the Meeting will be held on Friday the 10th inst at 7.30. p.m.

Yours faithfully,
B. Kavanagh,
Acting Town Clerk.

TO/ Each Member,
Wicklow. U. D. C.

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MINUTES of Adjourned Monthly Meeting (August) of Wicklow Urban District Council held on Friday the 10th August, 1945 pursuant to Notices sent to each Member on the 9th August, 1945

Present Councillors:- Councillors C. W. Hudson (Presiding) James Everett T. D. W. J. Clarke, Joseph O'Connor James, Brennan Edward Kane Loughlin Sutton.

Councillor Hudson informed the Meeting that he had been requested to apologise for the absence of the Chairman (Councillor Olohan)

The Acting Clerk apologised for the Manager's absence owing to a previous arrangement to attend a Meeting of Arklow U. D. C.

Item 1. The Minutes of Meeting held on 3rd July, 1945 (as circulated to the Members were confirmed)

Item 2. The Manager's Order Book was produced and the important Orders made since the 3rd July, were read.

Item 3. This Letter having been read, questions were asked as to what works it was proposed to carry out in connection with this proposed allocation of £700 and a local contribution of £55. The Acting Clerk stated that no details of the works to be carried out in connection with the Grant were in his possession and replying to a question if the Town Surveyor had submitted list of works and estimates for same as directed at Council's Meeting on the 3rd July stated that the Town Surveyor had only returned from holidays and that the documents had not been received.

The Chairman and a Number of the Councillors having commented on the Town Surveyor's absence from the Meeting when such an important letter was being dealt with and the Acting Clerk (at Council's request) having failed to get in touch with the Town Surveyor on the phone, the meeting unanimously agreed to adjourn the matter to a special Meeting to be held on Thursday next the 16th inst and the following Order was made:-

" That the Acting Clerk communicate with the Town Surveyor drawing his attention to the Department's letter of the 10th July, 1945 re allocation of Grant and to request Town Surveyor to have the list and estimate for proposed works mentioned at last Meeting of the Council submitted to a djourned meeting to be held on the 16th inst and to attend said Meeting for the purpose of advising what works should be carried out in respect of the proposed Grant of £700 .

Item 4. Adjourned to Meeting to be held on the 16th August.

Item 5. Correspondence

Correspondence received from Deputy Everett from the Department of Local Government and Public Health and Office of Parliamentary Secretary dated the 5th and 18th July 1945 respectively dealing with construction of the Bridge at Wicklow, to the effect that a Grant will shortly be sanctioned was read.

A discussion as to the possibility of having the matter expedited took place, and the Acting Clerk was directed to communicate with by phone with the Department and ascertain if any further advancements had been made in reference to the Grant.

Letter from Messrs. J. H. McCarroll & Co. Solicitors on behalf of Joseph Vize applying for a Lease of two plots of ground adjoining his premises at Ard Kean for the term of 75 years instead of two Leases granted in 1938 and 1939 for years.

" Proposed by Councillor Wm Clarke.
Seconded by Councillor Jas. Everett.

That this Council having considered an application from Col. Joseph E. Vize's Solicitor for a new Lease for 75 years of two plots of ground adjoining his premises at Ard Kean (which are ~~made~~ at present held by Col. Vize under Leases dated 1938 and 1939 for 31 years hereby agree to grant a new Lease to Col. Vize for 75 years the existing Leases to be surrendered to the Council and Costs of such new Lease to be borne by Col. Vize.

C. W. Hudson
10. 8. 45.

Copy Notice received from Messrs. J. H. McCarroll & CO Solicitor for Mrs. Esther O'Toole of application for Public Dancing Licence in respect of the Royal Pavilion on the 5th September, 1945.

Read.

Application from County Engineer on behalf of the Committee of Inter-Town Firefighting Competition for use of the Murrrough on the 30th September, 1945.

Granted.

The Acting Clerk informed the Meeting that since the last Meeting of the Council one of the Council's tenants (Edward Gregory) died and that his nephew John Gregory his wife and family had been residing with the deceased in the house for some years and that an application was before the Meeting from Mrs. Gregory (supported by letter from Dr. O'Connor) asking for tenancy of the house.

Recommend Manager to accept Mrs Gregory as tenant.
The Chairman associating himself with the resolution stated that the resolution should receive every support.

The Resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolution of the Dungan U. D. C. calling on the Government to increase substantially the salaries of the National Teachers and Pensions of ex-teachers

Read.

Letter from the Hon. Sec. Carvan Club" regarding sites &c.

Read.

Letter from the Rate Collector drawing the Council's attention to the fact that 5% had been deducted from his poundage in respect of 1944/45 collection and £10 on amounts lodged after the 31st March, 1945 and that the poundage withheld for a number of years had not yet been paid and requesting payment of £81. 15 11 amount of with-held poundage.

The Acting Clerk read the latest correspondence between the Department and the County Manager dealing with this matter.

In reply to Councillors Kane and Brennan regarding

rates temporarily uncollectable for the year ending the 31st March, 1945 the Acting Clerk stated that the list of outstanding rates were available for their inspection and placed same before them.

ORDER Recommend the Manager to ascertain from the Department the reason our Collector is not being treated the same as other collectors in County Wicklow and also to request sanction to the payment of with-held poundage to date.

The Acting Clerk informed the Meeting that Mrs. Dickenson had reported that owing to the fountain at Friars Hill having been interfered with she had to carry water from the Abbey to her premises.

The Waterworks overseer reported that on two different occasions recently he found this fountain had been completely dismantled and that on the last occasion he collected the parts and stored them in the Town Hall.

The monthly report of the Waterworks Overseer stated that he had left the water cut off for a fortnight at Friars Hill and had now fixed the fountain that stopcocks covers had been removed in several parts of the town which he had since found.

After discussing the damage etc that was being done as reported, an Order was made that the Guards be notified in connection with same.

Councillor Brennan inquired if the hours for turning off the water supply could be changed as the present hours for turning off were somewhat inconvenient. After discussing same, it was changed from 11 o'clock p. m. to 7. 0'clock a. m. instead of the present hours 6. 30.p.m. to 7. 30. a. m.

Report of Sub-sanitary Office read.

Applications (10) for registration in the Register of Dairymen were before the Meeting.

ORDER Applications to be forwarded to the Veterinary Inspector for reports thereon.

Application for renewal of Slaughter Licence received from Mr. A. Dunne.

At the conclusion of the business the Chairman Mr. Hudson stated that since our last meeting it had been made known that Mr. Healy had decided to retire from the position of County Manager. He personally, regretted Mr. Healy's decision, as he always found him very helpful in any matters connected with the Council's (both County and Urban) although not in agreement with the Managerial Act, he Councillor Hudson could safely say that Mr. Healy carried out his duties under the Act to the satisfaction of all concerned and he always found Mr. Healy approachable whenever he required an interview with him.

Councillors Everett, Clarke, O'Connor, Kane and Brennan and the Acting Clerk also paid tribute to Mr. Healy and also wished him many years of happiness in his retirement.

Confirmed *J. Hudson*

August

MINUTES of Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on the 16th inst in pursuance of following Notice sent to each Member:-

Town Hall,
Wicklow,
13th August, 1945.

Dear Sirs

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Thursday next the 16th inst at 7.30 p.m. when the following items adjourned from Meeting held on the 10th inst will be under consideration:-

- (3) Letter from Department of Local Government and Public Health (through the County Manager) of allocation of a Grant of £700 for relief of unemployment.
- (4) Provision of Fuel for coming Winter.

Correspondence not dealt with at Meeting held on 10th inst including list of proposed works and estimate of same to be submitted by Town Surveyor.

Yours faithfully,
B. Kavanagh,
Acting Town Clerk.

Each Member,
Wicklow U. D. C.

Present Councillors C. W. Hudson (Presiding) James
Everett, R. B. Haskins, Joseph O'Connor James
Brennan Edward Kane and Loughlin Sutton.

Also Present P. T. Healy, Esqr, County Manager and
J. T. O'Byrne, B. E. Town Surveyor.

Item 3. Adjourned from Meeting held on the 10th August, 1945)

The Town Surveyor in dealing with letter from Department of L. G. and P. H. dated 10th July, 1945 re allocation of Grant of £700 and a local contribution of £55 for relief of unemployment informed the Meeting that he was following the Council's instructions and allocating this money towards concreting Wentworth Place, but that it would not be possible to do the full length from Grand Hotel to Church Street. He mentioned that some of the Councillors would remember that a question of watermains arose in this connection some years ago and that the Department would not allow the laying of a water main to be included in the scheme. He suggested that as £100 was raised in this year's estimates for local contribution to unemployment Grants and that as only £55 was now required that the balance of £45 could be used for the purchase of 4" diameter asbestos man and that an additional sum of about £25 would be needed for the excavation in connection with the laying of new main.

A discussion took place as to the approximate distance of the road that could be done for the £700 and after carefully considering the matter, it was unanimously agreed to expend the grant on Wentworth Place commencing from Church

Street end and to include excavation work on portion of the road at Castle Street. It was also agreed that the sum of £70 be expended on the laying of new water main - £45 for the purchase of main and £25 to cover labour. The Town Surveyor stated in reply to question regarding Gas Main that he would communicate with the Manager of the Gas Co informing him that portion of the road would be opened and that if the Company intended renewing their Gas main this would be an opportune time to do so.

Item 4. adjourned from Meeting held on 10th August, 1945.

The Acting Clerk stated that if the Council decided on continuing the Fuel Scheme for the coming winter, it would be necessary to purchase a quantity of Fuel as stocks were now down to about 30 tons of turf all of which is in yard at High Street out of which yard both schemes were being operated since March last. It was pointed out that the yard on north quay was cleared of turf.

The Town Surveyor stated that as the season was nearing an end, he did not think that it would be possible for the Council to meet the demand for turf in full but that there were a couple of hundred tons of turf stored in Gaol yard which the County Council would be prepared to dispose of. Replying to a question if the County Council would allow the turf to be distributed directed from the gaol yard the County Manager stated he believed this could be arranged on payment of a small rent for same.

ORDER. The fuel scheme to be operated as last year and the County Manager and Town Surveyor to arrange for supplying of this Council a similar quantity of turf as was procured last year. That an application be made to the County Council for use of portion of Gaol yard to the left of the gate from Ballalley and that a payment of £5 per year for rent be offered for same. Regarding the Yard on the north quay which the Council had rented from the Wicklow Corn Company at £30 per year. The Acting Clerk was directed to write the Corn Co surrendering the yard as from the 30th September next and that the lintel which the Council had removed be replaced. That the yard at High Street be used for storing and distribution of Fuel under the Free Fuel Scheme and that the distribution of Fuel under the Ordinary Fuel Scheme be at Gaol Yard.

Arising out of account due to the County Council for turf supplied the Acting Clerk stated that he was now in a position to pay £300 off the amount due in respect of Free Fuel. It was agreed that this amount should be paid.

ADJOURNED CORRESPONDENCE.

Letter dated 18th July, 1945 : G4443/6/45 from Department of L. G. and P. H. sanctioning temporary overdraft accommodation not exceeding £2000 for period ending 7th August, 1945.

The Acting Clerk informed the Meeting that the Rate Collector recently received his collecting Books but as the amount of overdraft at 7th August, 1945 was £2,173 and with accounts to be met for the month amounting to £592 he estimated an overdraft of £2,000 would be required for the month.

Proposed by J. Everett
Seconded by J. Brennan

That we hereby instruct our Acting Clerk to apply to Department of Local Government and Public Health for authority for overdraft accommodation up to a limit of £2,000 to the date of our next meeting to be held on the 4th September, 1945.

C. W. Hudson
16. 8. 1945.

Letter (H. Wicklow U. D.) dated 14th July, 1945 from the Dept. L. G & P.H. regarding supplies of building materials for local bodies. The Acting Clerk was directed to write to the Department requesting to be furnished with copy of letter of 29th December, 1944 referred to in Department's letter which had been mislaid.

Regarding other parts of letter the Town Surveyor stated that the Council had already complied with the requirements set out therein.

Circular letter (H. 1918/1945) (dated 2. 7. 45) dealing with control of building operations and enclosing copy of Emergency Powers (No 358) Order, 1945.

Noted.

Joint report of Town Surveyor and Medical Officer of Health on their inspection at Bond Street arising out of complaint received from Messrs. D. H. Maskins & Sons was read and after discussing same the following Order was made.

"That the Landlords of houses at Bond Street (Mr. R. White and Mrs. Furlong) be notified that they must provide flush lavatories in their houses at Bond Street and connect with Main Sewer.

Letter R. U/212/132 dated 13th August, 1945 from Department of Local Government and Public Health sanctioning a Grant of £1250 subject to a Local contribution of like amount for the construction of a reinforced concrete foot bridge at Wicklow and enclosing application form for completion for loan of £1250.

In connection with the proposed loan of £1250 which the Council proposed to raise, the County Manager stated that a resolution passed by the Council might be required and the following Notice of Motion was handed in by Councillor J. Everett T. D.

I hereby give notice that as I or some Councillor for me shall move at the next meeting that having regard to the terms of the letter from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated the 13th August, 1945 No. R. / RU/212/132 we the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby decide to raise a loan of £1250 repayable over a period of twenty five years either from the Council's Treasurer or from Local Loans the said sum of £1250 together with the Government Grant of £1250 to be devoted in erecting a concrete bridge over the Leitrim River in Wicklow to replace the old wooden bridge which has been closed to foot passengers because it has been reported to be unsafe.

Signed James Everett 16. 8. 45.

It was decided that the advertisements for tenders be inserted in all daily papers and Wicklow People as soon as possible and that a special meeting will be held on the 11th September, 1945 to deal with tenders received.

The Acting Town Clerk was directed to complete loan application form and forward same to Department of Local Government.

Councillor O'Connor drew attention to the dumping at Castle Street and other parts of the Town were mentioned.

The Acting Clerk stated that a number of notices had again been posted in different parts of the Town during the week.

The Acting Clerk was directed to draw the attention of the Sub-Sanitary Officer to these complaints and that prosecutions would follow in any cases reported by him.

Complaints were also made regarding a sewer which appeared to be on the same level as road surface at Gaol Lane.

Order to be attended to.

Application by Prioress of Dominican Convent for Lease of strip of ground between their field (opposite convent) and Convent Road for the purpose of erecting a new School in their field was read.

A long discussion took place as to the area of the strip required by the convent, and Councillor Kane on examining the Ordnance Sheet stated that the whole strip to edge of road would be required. Councillor Hudson (Chairman) stated while not opposed to the Leasing to the Convent he did not think that it would be right to lease the whole strip which would practically mean the whole Fair Green would be taken up. Suggestions as to the removal of the Fairs to the Ballalley and the Murrrough did not meet with approval of some of the members. In order to give all the members an opportunity of considering the matter and Councillor Hudson stating that he would like to have the views of the farmers regarding the removal of Fairs as suggested, the Acting Clerk was directed to have the application placed on the Agenda for the next monthly Meeting and in meantime a request be made to the Convent to furnish a sketch plan of the proposed site.

A long list of work prepared by the Town Surveyor was submitted in pursuance of the Council's order at Meeting held on the 3rd July, 1945. Owing to the large number of works contained in the list and on the suggestion of the Councillor Kane it was agreed that copies of the said list be sent to each member before the next meeting.

Before the Meeting concluded Councillor Everett stated that he wished the Council to pass a vote of sympathy with the family of the late Mr. Frank Murphy and the following resolution was passed in silence all members standing,

Proposed by Councillor J. Everett
Seconded by Councillor Ed. Kane.

That the Deepest sympathy of this Council be conveyed to Mrs. Murphy and family on the occasion of the recent death of Mrs. Frank Murphy (late Postmaster) of Wicklow.

Confirmed *J. Hudson*

MINUTES of Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Friday the 24th August, 1945 pursuant to the following requisition signed by five Councillors

TO/ The Acting Town Clerk,
WICKLOW.

You are hereby required to call a special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council for Friday next 24th inst at 7.30. p. m. to consider important letter from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (received through the County Manager) concerning the provisional allocation of £700 for this District under the Employment and Emergency Scheme Vote, stating that the allocation has now been absorbed by the allocation of £1250 for the construction of the Bridge.

Dated this 22nd day of August, 1945.

Signed John Olohan Councillor.
Loughlin Sutton
C. W. Hudson
J. Everett
Edward Kane.

The following Members attended:-

Councillors J. Olohan (Presiding) C. W. Hudson, J. Everett
T. D. R. B.Haskins, E. Kane and Loughlin Sutton.

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

The Acting Clerk stated that the County Manager has asked him to apologise for his absence owing to his having to attend at Arklow.

Letter was read from the County Manager enclosing copy of ~~Letter~~ Department's letter received by him and dated 18th August, 1945 to the effect that the provisional allocation of £700 for Wicklow Urban District Council under the Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote had been absorbed by the allocation for the Bridge.

A long discussion took place concerning the Minister's action in withdrawing this Grant in view of the fact that a great deal more unskilled labour would be engaged on the works proposed to be carried out under the Road Grant than under the work of constructing the Bridge.

After several of the members having expressed their views it was unanimously agreed that a deputation from the Council be appointed including the three County Deputies and Town Surveyor to interview the Minister. and the Acting Clerk was directed to get in touch with Mr. Moylan on the phone and arrange for deputation and ascertain what day and hour early next week the Deputation should attend .

The following resolution was adopted

Proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson
Seconded by Councillor Edward Kane.

That having read letter dated the 18th inst addressed to the County Manager from the Department of Local Government and

and Public Health Ref. R/RU/212/132 we the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council at this special Meeting of the 24th August, 1945 desire to express our keen disappointment and surprise at the terms of that letter conveying the Minister's decision to withdraw the Grant of £700 notified to this Council on 10th July, 1945 (Ref RW/212/132) subject to local contribution of £55 and that the Grant of £1250 notified also to this Council on the 13th August, 1945 (ref. RU/212/132) (subject to local contribution of £1250) towards costs of New Bridge, is assumed to absorb the former Grant of £700.

Employment grant there have been made usually on the basis of a local contribution of about 7% to 8% and the workers engaged on such schemes are generally of an unskilled type but much needed relief in the Christmas period is given to those men.

The Grant of £1250 however is given on the conditions that the Council make provision for an equal amount and this has been done after very careful consideration of the grave necessity for the new Bridge, work of this type might not be carried on during the extreme winter period as in the case of road works proposed to be done under the £700 allocation. In any event, in agreeing to provide an equal amount as local contribution for the Bridge, the Council did so only having regard to the urgency of the proposal as a public necessity and consider that in providing £1250 locally its finances are strained to a heavy commitment.

The Council feels that this should not interfere with the allocation of the £700 and ask that the Minister reconsider his decision immediately; and we further ask that the three members of Dail Eireann for County Wicklow accompany a deputation to the Minister within the shortest time possible for the purpose of securing the restoration of the £700 grant.

J. Olohan,
24. 8. 45.

The Acting Clerk was directed to forward copy of above resolution to the Department Of Local Government and Public Health to the three deputies and County Manager and to invite the three Deputies to attend on deputation when day and hour had been fixed.

Confirmed *J. Olohan*

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting (September,) of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 4th day of September, 1945 pursuant to the following Notice sent to each Member of the 30th August, 1945.

Town Hall,
Wicklow,
30th August, 1945.

Dear Sir,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday next the 4th September, 1945 at 7.30. p.m. when the following matters will be under consideration

1. Minutes of Meetings held on the 7th, 10th 16th and 24th August, 1945 (copies herewith)
2. Business transacted since 7th August, 1945 as per Manager's Order Book.
3. The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James Everett T. D.

I hereby give notice that I or some Councillor for me shall move at the next meeting that having regard to the terms of the letter from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated the 13th August, 1945 No. RU/121/132 the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby decide to raise a loan of £1250 repayable over a period of 25 years either from the Council's Treasurer or from Local Loans the said sum of £1250 together with the Government Grant of £1250 to be devoted in erecting a concrete Bridge over the River Leitrim in Wicklow to replace the old woodenbridge which has been closed to foot passengers because it has been reported to be unsafe.

Signed James Everett 16. 8. 45.

4. Application from the Dominican Convent for Lease of strip of ground between their field and Convent Road for the purpose of erecting a National School.
5. Fuel Scheme.
6. Correspondence.
7. Reports of Officers.

You are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully,
B. Kavanagh,
Acting Town Clerk.

Present Councillors. J. Olohan (Presiding) C. W. Hudson, James Everett T. D. Wm. Clarke, R. B. Haskins, Ed. Kane James, Brennan L. Sutton Joseph O'Connor.

Also Present. K. J. Brangan Esqr Deputy County Manager, J. T. O'Barrbe, Esqr B. E. Town Surveyor.

ITEM 1. The Minutes of the Meetings held on the 7th, 10th, 16th and 24th August, 1945 (as circulated to the Members) were confirmed.

ITEM 2. The Manager's Order Book was produced and the important Orders made since the last monthly meeting were read. Arising out of same the Acting Clerk read for the Meeting a letter from Mrs. Esther Carolan surrendering tenancy of No. 10. St. Laurences Road (in respect of which Notice to Quit) had been served also a letter and application from Denis O'Brien who stated in application for tenancy of this house that he was residing at No. 12. Convent Road, and that this house was overcrowded and offering to pay arrears of rent due by previous tenants (which the Acting Clerk stated was now £6.) The Deputy Manager made an Order directing that No 12 Convent Road be inspected by Medical Officer of Health and Town Surveyor.

Councillor Everett stated that there were more deserving Applicants for this house and the Acting Clerk replying to the Chairman and reading a list of applicants for house, it was recommended that the houses occupied by the Applicants on the list submitted be inspected by the Medical Officer of Health and Town Surveyor who are to report thereon to the Council with a recommendation to the County Manager to accept as tenants the most deserving applicant.

Item 3. Councillor J. Everett proposed and Councillor Wm. Clarke seconded.

That having regard to the terms of the Letter of the Department of L. C. & P. H. dated the 13th August, 1945 No. RU/121/132, the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby decide to raise the loan of £1250 repayable over a period of 25 years either from the Council's Treasurer or from the Local Loans Fund the said sum of £1250 together with the Government Grant of £1250 to be devoted in erecting a concrete bridge over the River Leitrim in Wicklow to replace the old woodenbridge which has been closed to foot passengers because it has been reported to be unsafe.

J. Olohan, 4. 9. 45.

Arising out of the advertisement for tenders for construction of Bridge Councillor Clarke stated that he had inquired at the Town Hall the day of the advertisement appeared in the papers for the documents but he was informed that same were not there that they were in the Engineer's Office at the Courthouse and he believed were still there. He did not think that this was in compliance with the advertisement which stated that the documents could be obtained at the Town Hall.

The Town Surveyor replying stated that he had the plans in his own Office and had arranged with the Town Clerk to receive applications and deposits and that when the (Town Surveyor) received the applications from the Acting Clerk he forwarded the plans &c. He also stated that he could let Mr. Clarke have the plans now and assured the Meeting that there was no Motive other than the arrangement made with the Acting Clerk. Councillor Clarke stated that it was his intention to pay his deposit at the Town Hall for the plans but they were not there. He also pointed out that he had only a week to go through the documents now before the date for receiving tenders. The Chairman asked if the time could not be extended and the Deputy Manager stated that the time could be extended if the Council approve of it.

Councillor Clarke receiving the documents stated that he would look into same but that he did not require an extension of time.