

Surveyors Quarterly Report 5th October 1903

Gentlemen

The contract roads and public works in your district have been fairly well attended to during the past quarter, and I have certified for all the payments in respect thereof.

With reference to the repairs to the Stone and Wooden Bridges, which at your last meeting you ordered me to carry out, I thought it better to obtain an estimate for same, as they are now much more extensive than when I recommended them to be done six months ago, I hope to have a tender to submit to your meeting today.

The work of re-building and repairing the river wall at Bachelors Walk is in progress. I have certified for the Dispensary Lane Sewer which was carried out by Mr. Pinn. Mr. Desaix and I measured the plot of ground, proposed to be let to Patrick Doyle and I herewith submit plan showing measurements and contemplated sewerage. The work in connection with the painting of the Murrumbidgee railing is proceeding. I furnished Mr. Francis Kennedy, Solicitor with the necessary map of the ground proposed to be leased for New Seven Hospital, which is to accompany the draft lease.

The work of removing and re-setting the gully at the fountain in Strand Street, and making concrete channel in connection therewith, is completed.

John Hausing Town Surveyor

Order - That Town Surveyors Report be referred to Managing Committee and also estimates from William Clarke for repairs to Stone and Wooden bridges and estimate from Frank Pender for repairs to Wooden bridge.

Agents Report 9th October 1903

Gentlemen

In carrying out your instructions (accompanied by Mr. Pinn) I found on measuring Mr. George Doyle's plot - Summer Hill, that he had encroached 5 feet on your property, by the terms of his lease he is entitled to 32 feet frontage, but has in possession 27 feet. I would be thankful for your directions for ~~your directions~~ in the matter as it must be determined before you can apportion the number of feet frontage for the new applicant - Mr. Patrick Doyle

otherwise it will become lapsed property. I would like to draw your attention to the removal of gravel from the foreshore from 80 to 100 yards north of defined limit, please say what steps are to be taken.

William Desaix Corporate Agent.

Order - That our agents Report be referred to the Managing Committee

The tender from Mr. Garrett Byrne Ballinacorney was received for maintenance of South Quay road and Strand Street, the former at 8/- per perch and the latter at 7/- per perch, both tenders were rejected.

(Resolution)

Proposed by Francis Murphy, Seconded by Charles Davis and unanimously resolved, "That the South Quay Road and Strand Street be maintained by direct labour and that our Town Surveyor be hereby empowered to obtain the necessary metalling from Ballece Quarry."

The tender was received and considered for Scavenger work during next three months Mr. Andrew Dunne High St. Wicklow, at £4. 10. 0 per month.

(Resolution)

Proposed by John Wynne Seconded by Francis Murphy and resolved, "That Andrew Dunne's tender at £4. 10. 0 per month for Scavenger work be hereby accepted, work to be carried out in accordance with specifications."

Swt Sanitary Officers Report 5th October 1903

Gentlemen

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month the public lighting of the Town was well carried out, however, on different occasions I found five lamps not lighting. I made usual sanitary inspections visiting over 100 premises and served 13 notices under the Public Health Act for various requirements included in those are the Cow Keepers and Milk Vendors of which there are 30, the number of Cows amongst

these Trades being one hundred & sixteen. I found all the premises in a fairly clean condition with little or no manure in most of them.

Had drainage repaired and cleaned on 12 occasions - The Street-cleaner was attentive to his business - The Medical Officer of Health's attention has been directed to some Sanitary matters -

Michael Doyle Supt San Officer -

Second Report

Thereby draw your attention to the dilapidated and unsanitary condition of a block of houses on the Murrumbidgee, & in Strand Street - & in Ward St, there is no sanitary accommodation for any of them

Michael Doyle Supt San Officer

Order = That Supt Sanitary Officer's Reports be referred to the Managing Committee =

Read Waterworks Messrs Report showing reservoir 3 ft - 8 inches from overflow and enumerating work done during the month -

Order. That Waterworks Messrs Report be referred to Waterworks Committee -

Read letter from Mr Spencer Hart, Engineer Dublin Corporation stating that the Corporation have a very large number of Siemens Water Meters in use manufactured by Messrs Juest & Ohimes of Nottingham Yorkshire which have been found satisfactory, in addition however, we have used positive meters manufactured by Messrs Hann & Baker London =

Read letter from Captain Pelsall stating the water mains are not interfered with by the Military Authorities here, except those attached to the Barracks do - ^{no. 55, 104}

Read Letter from Local Government Board acknowledge receipt of letter 22/9/03

Resolution

Approved by Peter Brien, Secured by Charles Davis and unanimously resolved
 "That our Town Clerk be directed to again write to the Local Government Board for Consent Order, if reply not satisfactory a special meeting to be called immediately ="

Read a Tender from the Wicklow Gas Co to place a lamp on footpath of Kattines Road as pointed out by Managing Committee for the sum of £6. 15. 0, the charge for lighting to be at the same rate as the other public lamps =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Francis Murphy, Secured by Peter Brien and resolved
 "That we accept the Gas Company's tender at £6. 15. 0
 "to place a lamp on Kattines Road."

Mr David Huskins moved as an amendment - that the Gas Company be offered £5 for the work, Mr Newbold being present - stated the Company could not do the work less than their tender

For Mr Huskins amendment - Messrs D. Huskins, W. Huskins, Hugh & W. Carroll and J. Leo. (H)

Against Messrs Murray, Brien, Davis & Murphy (H)

The voting being equal, the Chairman voted against the amendment and declared the resolution carried to accept the Gas Company's tender at £6. 15. 0

Mr W. Clavin J. Macgill made an application for permission to connect a drain from Church Hill Cottage with the drain on the School House premises =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Hugh Kelly Carroll, Secured by David H. Huskins and resolved
 "That Mr. William John Macgill be given permission
 "to connect his drain with sewer on School House
 "premises as already agreed to by Select. Vestry ="

The following correspondence was referred to Managing Committee
 (1) Miss Mann's letter, (2) application from football Club, (3) Michael Byrne's letter, (4) James Burns's on Electric Lighting in Wicklow, (5) Mr Mac Donnell's letter re Financial Relations, (6) Mr. Parsons's Report re Market roof =

Resolution of the Bray Urban District-Council on the Subject of Loans under the Housing of the Working Classes Act was unanimously adopted

Read a Complaint from Company, Supt-Major Staehaus of the water being turned off his premises since July last -

Order. - That inquiries be made as to the cause of the water being turned off and steps taken to have complaint remedied -

(Resolution)

Proposed by Joseph W Carroll, Seconded by Nicholas H Haskins and resolved -
 "That to do all in our power to aid the efforts now being made by
 "the County Committee of Technical and Agricultural Instruction to
 "found a free library, and Technical Institute for the County
 "we appoint the following gentlemen to represent the Wicklow
 "Urban Council on the Deputation to the Department with the
 "aforesaid object viz The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Very Rev
 "Canon Roche, Messrs Peter Brien, John Northing and Nicholas Haskins.

(Resolution)

Proposed by Hugh P W Carroll, Seconded by Nicholas Haskins and resolved -
 "That Messrs Murray, J M O'Neil, Hugh P W Carroll, N Haskins,
 "D. Haskins and P Lees be hereby appointed a Committee to arrange
 "details as to establishing a fire brigade and report to the Council -

J M Murray Chairman
 2 Nov 1903

Tom Hall Wicklow
 2nd November 1903

The usual monthly meeting of the Wicklow Urban District-Council was held on this day in pursuance to notice to transact the following business: -

- 1 To consider Finance Committee's Report: -
- 2 To elect a member on Wicklow School Attendance Committee in the room of Rev Bernard Carroy resigned: -
- 3 To consider Manuring Committee's Report: -
- 4 To consider special Committee report re fire brigade: -
- 5 To consider Town Surveyor Report.
- 6 To consider Sanitary Officers Reports: -
- 7 To consider Waterworks Officers Report: -
- 8 To confirm agreement with the Hibernian Bank Limited for the issue at £96 per cent of £20,000, Wicklow (Town) 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ % Redeemable Debenture Stock: -
- 9 To determine what portion of the sewerage scheme is to be carried out first and to authorise tenders being invited for same: -
- 10 To consider miscellaneous correspondence: -

Members present Mr Christopher Murray Chairman in the Chair also present Messrs Peter Brien, Peter Doolittle, Edward Kennedy, Francis Murphy, James J O'Neil, Hugh P W Carroll, Frank M O'Neil, Francis O'Leary, David H Haskins and Robert Lees: -

The minutes of the previous meetings were read over and signed after which the business was proceeded with -

Tom Hall Wicklow
 29th October 1903

Your Finance Committee met this evening and checked over accounts, books and vouchers and found that during the month there was lodged to your credit the following sums: -

Mr. William Hesais	Corporate Rents	£39. 1. 7
" Francis W. Whail	Miscellaneous monies	6. 16. 0
" Same	Interest on Consols	1. 4. 10
" Same	Probate Estate Duty Grant	31. 14. 8
His Majesty's Treasury	Contribution in lieu of Rates	61. 17. 7
Michael Doyle	Township Rate & Meters	102. 16. 3
		<u>243. 10. 11</u>

Giving a Credit Balance of £315. 9. 1

We recommend the following payments

Francis W. Whail	Nine months Salary	£ 11. 5. 0
Same	Wages Account	13. 19. 11
John Hausing	Nine months Salary	4. 3. 4
Michael Doyle	do	5. 0. 0
Edward Connor	do	6. 0. 0
Andrew Dunne	Scavenger	4. 10. 0
Sam T. Baker	Carriage Horse & Ampley	7. 5. 6
Kalantine Engineering Co.	Balance of Account	1. 0. 0
Andrew Finlayson	Contract printing iron railings	4. 15. 0
Wicklow Gas Co.	Quarters gas Town Hall to 30/9/03	2. 14. 11
Collector of Inland Revenue	Income Tax on Stock	30. 10. 8
Thomas W. Namee	Poor Rate on Corporate Property	8. 18. 3
Patrick Behan	do do	15. 3
Hodges & Figgis	Advance Map of Wicklow	2. 2
Board of Public Works	Half years interest on Harbour Loan	58. 6. 8
John M. Walsh	Advertising in "Wicklow People"	11. 17. 3
Francis Kennedy	approval fee Seven Hospitals Lease.	2. 2. 0
Dr. Halpin	Quarters Medical Salary	1. 15. 0
Wicklow Gas Co.	Second payment on account contract public lighting to 30/4/03	50. 0. 0
	Total	<u>220. 1. 11</u>

You will observe the workmens wages account for the month was £13. 19. 11 of which sum £7. 11. 7 was expended in connection with the works at Reservoir :- We have checked over your Poor Rate Account and find that Collector W. Namee has collected and lodged £54 in account of second moiety of Poor Rate and recommend that he be requested to have the rates outstanding collected in at once, so that we may have funds to discharge the last quarters payment due to the County Council = Signed Matthew G. Donald Francis Murphy :-

Mr. Pius wrote calling the attention of the Council to his account for work done in connection with artisans dwellings and stating that if the account was not settled before the 14th Instant, he would place the matter in the hands of his Solicitor amount £67. 16. 6

Order: That Mr. Pius letter be referred to the Finance Committee

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank W. Whail, Seconded by Edward Kennedy and resolved
 " That the report of the Finance Committee be confirmed and
 " adopted and that Treasurers authority for making payments
 " to the several parties named therein be now signed by direction
 " and on behalf of the Council amounting in the aggregate to the
 " sum of £220. 1. 11 =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank W. Whail, Seconded by Peter'Brien & unanimously resolved
 " That the Rev. James Sheridan C.C. be elected as our representa-
 " tive upon the Wicklow School Attendance Committee in the
 " place of the Rev. Bernard Gaudy C.C. resigned :-

Sam Hall Wicklow
 13th October 1903

1. Your Managing Committee met this evening and having considered your Town Surveyors Report recommend that Mr. William Clarke's tender for £7. 15. 0 for repairs to Woodenbridge be accepted. With regard to the repairs of the Stone Bridge we are advised by your Town Surveyor to leave it over until next spring when it can be provided for in the Estimates :-
2. Having visited building plot on Summer Hill proposed to be let to Mr. Patrick Doyle, we recommend that he be given a lease of 75 years of 40 feet building ground facing Summer Hill at £1 per annum a clause to be inserted in the Lease that Miss Frahan during her life time is to be provided with a path and right of way to her premises at 4/- per annum, the latter rent to be paid to Mr. Doyle who on the death of Miss Frahan is to have power to enter into possession and close up said passage - Lease to date from 29th September 1903 from which time the rent will be payable =

3. We also visited the Site of Miss Graham's Serrays and having carefully gone into the matter recommend that provision be made in the next years estimate for having the work carried out, and that a temporary drain be constructed to carry the surface water from her premises pending the construction of such drain: =

4 Having considered your Sub Sanitary Officers Report with regard to the unsanitary condition of 16 small houses in Bond Street and Strand St, recommend that your Town Surveyor and Sub Sanitary Officer visit the premises with a view to a notice being served on the Landlord and to have same condemned as unfit for human habitation: =

5 Your Agent having reported the removal of gravel from the foreshore from 80 to 100 yards north of the defined limit we have directed him to carry out the resolution of the 26th March 1903 failing which he is hereby empowered to take such action as he may consider advisable =

6 With regard to Michael Byrne's letter re quarry and Mr Collins field we have asked your Town Surveyor and Agent to inspect same and report to your next monthly meeting =

7 Having considered Miss Owens letter and the application from the Handball Club we recommend that the right hand wall be cased with cement and broken glass and a couple of strands barbed wire, cost not to exceed 10/- =

8 We have directed your Sub Sanitary Officer to call on Miss McWhail and draw her attention to the service pipes to Mr Stonehouse's premises and ask her to have same remedied

9 We recommend that the Market be roofed and wall raised so as to form a two story building and that the matter be taken in hand at once: =

10 Having considered letters from Bray Urban District Council on the subject of the financial relations between the Urban Councils and the County Council, we recommend that the same be checked over by Mr Hibberd to see if the general credits and debits are in accordance with Local Government Board Financial Order:

Signed Francis Murphy } Members of Managing
John Wynn } Committee -
Peter Brien }

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank McWhail Secured by David A Haskins and resolved
" That Mr William Clarke's tender for repairs to Wooden
" Bridge at £7. 15. 0 be accepted =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank McWhail Secured by Edward Keene and resolved
" That the part of the report of the Managing Committee be
" referred back to the Committee for amendment of that
" clause dealing with Mr Patrick Doyle's plot =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Francis Murphy Secured by Peter Brien and resolved
" That Mr Mayo be called on to put his houses in Bond St
" in proper repair failing which the recommendations of
" the Town Surveyor and Sanitary Officer be carried out =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Francis Murphy Secured by Peter Brien and resolved
" That the portion of the Market House already collapsed
" be re-built, that is to add another storey on to the
" existing one and that our Town Surveyor be asked to
" prepare plans =

(Amendment)

Proposed by Frank McWhail Secured by David A Haskins
" That we ask our Town Surveyor to prepare plans for
" roofing of Market House with Slates at cheapest
" possible rate =

The Amendment first having been put there voted as follows

For Amendment Messrs Frank McWhail, David A Haskins,
Robert Lees, James J McWhail and Francis B Giff
(5)

Against = Messrs Christopher Murray, Francis Murphy, Peter
Brien, Hugh R G Carroll, Edward Keene & Peter Dolittle
(6)

The Chairman declared the amendment lost, the resolution
was then put and declared carried by a majority =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Hugh R M Carroll, Secended by Frank McWhail and resolved
"That the portion of the Managing Committee's Report referring
to County Council's Accounts be struck out -"

(Resolution)

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, Secended by Francis Murphy, and resolved
"That the Managing Committee's Report be adopted with
the exception of paragraphs 2 and 10 and that the
several resolutions dealing with the report be carried
out" =

Tom Hill Wicklow
23rd October 1903

Your Special Committee met this evening to consider arrangements
for the establishment of a fire brigade and as a preliminary
to the formation of a brigade we have directed the following
to be carried out: -

- 1 To order hand book of Rules and Regulations re fire
brigade from Messrs Shand, Mason & Co London -
- 2 To order duplicate Keys with 6 brass tags for Market-
House doors the word fire to be engraved on the tags -
- 3 An advertisement to be inserted in local papers for 36
men to form fire brigade at a remuneration of 2/6 each practice
- 4 A practice to be held monthly in winter, nine to comprise
a practice section, the first three practices to consist of 12 men -
- 5 All hydrants to be examined and put in order as soon as
possible under the supervision of the Committee, extra hydrants
to be provided where necessary. =
- 6 Your Committee have unanimously selected Mr Robert Lees as
Honorary Captain of the Brigade, the selection of Vice Captain to be
deferred until our next meeting. =
- 7 We have directed your Town Clerk to invite the local
Agents of the several Insurance Companies to attend our
Meeting on Tuesday evening next at 7.30 o'clock

Signed Frank McWhail
Hugh R M Carroll
David H Staskins
Nicholas H. Staskins
Members of Special
Committee -

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank McWhail, Secended by Hugh R M Carroll and resolved
"That the Report of the Special Committee appointed to organise
a Fire Brigade for the Township be confirmed and adopted" =

Read a letter from Mr Joseph M Carroll Solicitor stating that
the Cases against him and others have been adjourned to the next
Quarter Sessions. In the mean time I would advise that Council's
Opinion be obtained and that such proceedings be taken as he
may direct =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank McWhail, Secended by Peter O'Brien and resolved
"That Mr M Carroll's letter be referred to a Committee of
the whole Council for consideration and report and that
Mr M Carroll Solicitor be asked to attend same meeting" =

Read a second letter asking for all correspondence between the Urban
Council and the Board of Trade relative to the Lease, which was
also referred to a Committee of the whole Council =

Thomas Hill Wicklow
3rd November 1903

Town Surveyors Report

Gentlemen

With reference to the portion of your Managing
Committee's Report of 13th Ult dealing with the 16 dilapidated
houses in Bord St and Strand St, I have to state that
the Sanitary Officer and I consider them unfit for
human habitation owing to the state of decay into which
they have been allowed to run, I believe Mr Dayle served
notice on the owner, some time ago which should now be
followed up. =

The Town Agent and I examined Mr Collins field, over
Dunbar Quarry and we recommend that a stone faced
fence, backed with sods, be constructed about 6 yards back from
the quarry, with a grip on field side next the stone facing
This fence would require to be about 70 yards in length and

would cost about £6, the place at present is most dangerous for cattle, and the work should be done at once -

The painting of the iron railing on the Murrumbidgee and Corporation Land is completed, and I have certified for payment to the Contractor -

The repairs to the river wall at Bachelors Walk were finished during the past week according to contract, but it is usual in such cases as this to allow some little time to elapse before certifying for payment, so that any small subsidences or such like might mean while be made good, therefore I am deferring payment until next month -

I have to report that some of the Streets and water tables in the Town have not had that attention paid to them which is necessary during this time of the year, consequently at present they present a slovenly appearance. The maintenance Contractor must do their work more thoroughly, and they should also assist the Scavenger, and not be drawing the line too fine between each others duties, I hope they will take this as a warning -

I inspected the repairs which Mr. Connor has carried out in the Embankment walls of the Reservoir, and they are being done skilfully and well, and must necessarily be the means of saving a lot of water.

Being to be called away on business of a most pressing nature I regret I cannot be present at your meeting today, but I would respectfully suggest with regard No 9 on the agenda that the Main St. Sewer and the Murrumbidgee sewer be the first portion of the scheme carried out. I shall furnish the Town Clerk with full particulars for the purpose of inviting tenders for these or such other portions as the Council may decide on proceeding with -

John Hausing, Town Surveyor.

A resolution was proposed by Mr. Peter Morien, seconded by Mr. Peter Dowlittle to expend £6 on ditch to protect quarry was rejected: -

Order: "That Town Surveyor Report be referred to the Managing Committee" -

Medical Officer of Health Report dated 3rd Nov 1903

The unsanitary state of Mr. Martin Carr's yard and I recommend it to be drained and the houses linen washed

Order - That notice be served on owner or occupier to comply with the Medical Officer of Health's recommendations -

The filthy state of the Streets viz Bachelors Walk, High Street &c has not been cleansed for some weeks

James H. Dalphin Medical Officer of Health

Order - That Mr. Dalphin Report as to the dirty state of the Streets be referred to the Town Surveyor and Managing Committee -

Woolloom 2nd November 1903

Gentlemen -

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month the public lighting of the Town but for a few exceptions was well maintained - By directions of your Council the lamp post on the Rattener Road was erected and the gas lighted on the 22nd Oct

I made usual sanitary visitations inspecting over one hundred premises and served eleven notices under the Sanitary Act for various purposes. I had drains and water channels repaired and cleaned on thirteen occasions, on one of these occasions was a drain from some houses on Colley Row, this drain is constructed of stones laid on their edges and covered similarly, it is most insupportable and unsanitary - I would suggest that either the parties who own the houses or your Council continue the six inch pipes from the end of the premises to the water channel pending other regulations - The Street cleaner was attentive to his duties, but gentlemen it is my opinion that the Road Contractors do not give the attention they should. I submit the names of the Streets that have been in a bad state for some time past, Bridge Street, Bachelors Walk, Westworth Place, High Street and Abley Street - I would recommend that the water be scraped and painted so as to keep the iron from rusting

The Medical Officer of Health's attention has been directed to some sanitary subjects: -

Michael Doyle Int San Officer

Order that Sanitary Officers Report be referred to the Managing Committee: =

Read Waterworks Officers Report showing the state of water in reservoir to be 7ft 5 inches from overflow and enumerating improvement works ^{done} at Reservoir during the month: =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Peter'Brien, Seconded by David H. Haskins and resolved
"That Mr. Edward Connor be given his usual supply of coal and his report referred to Waterworks Committee =

(Resolution)

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by Frank W. Thail & resolved
"That Tenders be invited for supply of best dry gas coal to the Council for coming year =

Francis W. MacGill Esq
Jury Clerk, Wicklow.

Dear Sir

Your letter of the 21st Instant with its enclosures was duly received and has been submitted to the Directors. In reply I have to state that the Bank will take the issue of £2600 (two thousand six hundred pounds) Wicklow (Tam) 3 1/4% Redeemable Lifeventure Stock, at 96% as already arranged. You will no doubt let us have the further Consent Order as soon as you receive it from the Local Government Board =

Yours faithfully,
A. J. Collins Secretary

I shall give our Manager at Wicklow the necessary instructions as to holding at the disposal of the Council the purchase money in respect of Stock which you may issue to us: A.J.C.

Read a letter from Mr. O'Hanrahan, stating he had been directed by their Secretary to inform the Council that he will hold here at the disposal of the Wicklow Council the purchase money at 96% and receive certificates for same

(Resolution)

Proposed by Peter'Brien, Seconded by David H. Haskins and resolved
"That we hereby confirm agreement with the Hibernian Bank Limited for the issue of £2044 Wicklow (Tam) Redeemable Lifeventure Stock at 96 per cent, said Stock to be issued from time to time as required, and that our Registrar be directed to provide a table showing the necessary amount required to redeem said issue within the prescribed time =

(Resolution)

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by Edward Kennedy, and resolved
"That Tenders be invited for construction of Sewer opposite Mr. Edward Kennedy's premises Main St and Queen's Strand St to be considered at an adjourned Meeting to be held on Monday 16th Instant, approved Security to be given to the extent of double the amount of the Contract, and the Contract and Bond to be prepared at the expense of the Contractor, local labour must be employed by the Contractor as far as possible and the Standard rates paid =

Read a letter from Mr. Ed. Harding, Secretary, Fever Hospital acknowledging receipt of resolution and stating that the best will be done to meet any smallpox cases that may arise so far as the capabilities of the Hospital will admit, subject to the advice of the Doctor =

Permission was given Wicklow Hockey Club to play on outer Murrone

Read letter from Local Government Board No 59.247 - 14/10/03 enclosing copy of Wicklow Joint Board Provisional Order 1903 =

Read letter from Local Government Board No 58.257 - 10/10/03 stating the order relating to the Loan for sewerage purposes will be completed in the course of next week =

Read letter from Local Government Board No 55.102 - 17/10/03 enclosing Consent Order for issue of £2,044 for construction of sewer. The second order applied for will be forwarded in due course =

Letters from Mr. Thomas Gregory and James Davis were referred to the Managing Committee =

Read letter from Mr. Matthew Murray Secretary Wicklow National Teachers Association enclosing copy of a resolution for adoption by the Council on the subject of the Equivalent Grant towards primary Education in Ireland =

On the motion of Mr. Frank McPhail, seconded by Francis Murphy, the resolution was adopted =

Read a letter from Messrs. Jomey enclosing draft lease and map of Mr. Edward Collins building plot for approval by the Council and stating that Mr. Collins will not agree to pay any costs to any Solicitor the Council may wish to appoint in the matter =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by Francis Murphy, and resolved "That the lease submitted by Messrs. Jomey on behalf of Mr. E. M. Collins be referred to Mr. M. Carroll for his approval on behalf of the Council =

Messrs. David St. Askinis and Mr. Peter Doolittle dissented

John Murray Chm
7th Decr 1903

Copyright Wicklow Council

John Hall Wicklow
16th November 1903

An adjourned meeting of the Wicklow Urban District-Council was held this day in pursuance to notice to consider the following business =

- To consider Tenders for Main St and Strand St Sewer =
- To consider miscellaneous Correspondence =
- To consider and confirm Special Committee proceedings of the whole Council re gravel and other Subjects =

Members present - Mr. Christopher Murray, Chairman in the Chair Messrs. Edward Kennedy, John Wynne, Peter Brien, Francis Murphy, Frank McPhail, David St. Askinis, Peter Doolittle, Francis McGuff, Nicholas St. Askinis, Hugh R. M. Carroll, and Charles Davis =

(Tenders)

Mr. William Rose	Fitzwilliam Square Wicklow	
	Main St Sewer	£ 286. 13. 11
	Strand St do	245. 3. 6
	Total	£ 531. 17. 5

Name of Sureties	Messrs W. E. Wright - L.P.S. 2, Donnybrook
"	Charles Rose 65 Dame St, Dublin

William Carroll	Summer Hill Wicklow	
	Main St Sewer	£ 388. 10. 0
	Strand St do	298. 10. 0
	Total	£ 687. 0. 0

George Dixon	George Street Droghda	
	Main St Sewer	£ 360. 0. 0
	Strand St do	330. 0. 0
	Total	£ 690. 0. 0

John Kelly	Kilkenney	Total Sum	£ 884. 18. 6
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(Resolution)

Proposed by David H Haskins, Seconded by Frank W Whail and resolved
 "That William Rose Tenders for Main Street Sewer
 "£ 286. 13. 11 and Strand Street Sewer for the sum
 "of £ 245. 3. 6 be hereby accepted, subject to said
 "contract and Bond to be prepared by Mr M Carroll
 "at the expense of Contractor and that conditions of
 "Specifications and advertisements being carried out"

(Resolution)

Proposed by Edward Kennedy, Seconded by Nicholas H Haskins and
 resolved; "That the construction of the Mall Sewer be carried
 "out first and the Bond to be signed by this meet"

(Tenders for Coals)

Mr Joseph Pin South Quay, Wicklow; Tenders at 17/- per
 ton delivered at Town Hall and 18/- per ton Waterworks
 Mr Joseph Darcy South Quay, Wicklow delivered at Town Hall
 17/- per ton and 18/6 delivered at Waterworks

Mr Francis Murphy, proposed and Mr H R M Carroll seconded
 "That Mr Joseph Darcy's Tender be accepted"

Mr Frank W Whail proposed and Mr David H Haskins seconded
 "That the lowest tender be accepted for the supply
 "of Coals to the Town Hall and Waterworks

As a vote being taken Mr Pin's Tender was declared accepted

Read letter from Mr Edward O'Connor stating he cannot
 see his way to take 5 tons of wigan coals as he is only
 allowed 5 tons for the year he would require at least six
 tons if the Council did not give him the coal he was in the
 habit of getting. He further states the old Commissioners
 promised to supply him with a range and this has never
 been complied with.

Town Surveys Report 16 November 1903

(Wicklow Market House)

Dear Sir

With reference to the Council's order of 4th Inst relative to
 the preparation of Plans for the reconstruction of the Market
 House, I have gone over carefully into the matter, and also
 consulted reliable authority, and I have come to the conclusion
 that it would not be safe to erect a two story building on the
 present walls. I find the old retaining wall, under the
 level of the present floor, was only patched up before the zinc
 roof was put on, and the piers then erected are not fit to
 carry a heavy floor, such as would be required in this case,
 therefore I would recommend that the preliminary plan,
 already adopted be adhered to, an additional floor would mean a
 complete new building, entailing a large expenditure. I shall
 complete the contract drawings and specifications when I
 receive the Council's further instructions.

Faithfully yours

John Pansing, Town Surveyor

J M Whail: Town Clerk

Order - That the Town Surveys Report be referred to the
 Managing Committee

Read a letter from Mr Thomas Freyong asking the Council
 if they will allow him to purchase his Farm at Dumber
 under the Land Act of 1903

Mr Frank W Whail handed in the following "Notice of
 Motion" that I will move at the next meeting that
 the consent of the Wicklow Town Commissioners be given to
 the application of Mr Thomas Freyong to purchase his
 holding on the Corporate Estate and that the question
 of terms of purchase be ^{decided} recorded by a Committee of
 the whole Council

Read letter from Mr. Joseph H. M. Carroll Solicitor, that the approval fee of £2. 2. 0 be sent him for Mr. Collins Lease:

Town Clerk stated that he had written to Mr. Collins for amount of Mr. M. Carroll's fee and received the following reply -
Wicklow 16th November 1903 =

I am in receipt of your letter of the 6th Inst. requesting a cheque for £2. 2. 0 being amount of Mr. M. Carroll Solicitor's approval fee and in reply beg to state that I have no intention to pay him approval fee as I have to pay the Solicitors to the Local Government Board their approval fee and therefore will not pay two approval fees - If the Council insist on this unreasonable demand I must request you to send me my draft lease, plans and specification as I will not proceed with the buildings which will mean a loss to the Town in labour and rates.

As I understand you have a meeting this day I must request a definite reply: =

Yours faithfully
Edward M. Collins

Wm. Thail Town Clerk

Proposed by Mr. Peter Brien, seconded by Mr. Charles Davis
" That Mr. M. Carroll be asked to approve of
" Mr. Collins lease for which this Council
" hereby agree to pay his approval fee of £2. 2. 0

A vote was taken with the following result - For resolution
Messrs Brien, Davis, M. Thail & Grey (4)
Against - Messrs Murray, M. Carroll, D. Haskins, Kennedy
and N. Haskins (5)

The Chairman declared the resolution lost and the following order made thereon = That Mr. Collins be returned his draft lease and plans =

Town Clerk read letter to Board of Trade re Lease and their reply stating the matter will receive attention =

Wicklow 16th November 1903

To the Chairman

Members of Wicklow Urban Council

Gentlemen

I respectfully beg to give notice, that, it is my intention to apply at your next monthly meeting for the appointment of my son as assistant clerk in your office = It is within the knowledge of most members of the Council that my son has been working for you for the past year and a half without any remuneration whatever, and as he has declined to work any longer without a salary I shall feel much obliged if you will kindly give him such salary as will be commensurate with the duties he will have to perform = Since the Local Government Act came into operation I have been working here day and night to get through your business and now find it impossible to get on without assistance, hoping for your favourable consideration: =

Yours faithfully

Francis Wm. Thail

Town Clerk

Town Clerk

Read a letter from the hand ball club which was referred to the Managing Committee =

Read letter from Local Government Board No 65719 14/11/03 enclosing a communication from Miss Miriam Frahan with respect to sewerage and requesting the Council's observations thereon =

Order = That our Town Clerk inform the Local Government Board that an over floor pipe has been put down to carry the water from entering her premises and that the sewerage scheme in contemplation will be provided for in next year's estimate =

Read a letter from the Gaelic League forwarding a copy of a resolution for adoption

That our Secretary be instructed to forward to the Lord Lieutenant, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, and the Under Secretary, that we demand that the educational policy of the Gaelic League be effectively represented on the Board of National Education =

Read an application from Mr. James Waters to make a connection from the water main which was granted =

Read a letter from Mr. E. N. Wynne Secretary of the County Council enclosing a list of Patients charged against the County which have been admitted to Richmond Sanatorium, and requesting the Council to ascertain if they are in a position to contribute towards the support = Patients referred to Mr. Ann Connor and James Doyle Monkton Row =

Order = That Mr. Wynne be informed that the Patients above referred to are very poor and not in a position to contribute towards support =

Read water Agreement between the Wicklow Water Council and Dublin Wicklow Manure Co. which was approved of =

Mr. William Desaix drew the attention of the Council to the assessment of Income Tax on Corporate Property and stating that in his opinion the Council were entitled to claim the cost of collection, Salaries &c paid out of Corporate Rents =

(Resolution)
Proposed by Frank M. Phail, Seconded by John Wynne and resolved
That a Special Committee of Messrs C. Murray, F. M. Phail, Peter Brien and N. St. Askins be appointed to consider the question of Income Tax on Corporate Rents, and that an application be made to the Surveyor of Taxes for last year's Income Tax sheet =

Town Hall, Wicklow, 10 Nov 1903

A Special Committee of the whole Council met this day to consider the following business =

1. To consult with Mr. M. Carroll Solicitor re Board of Trade Lease and travel prosecutions. =
2. To consider Mr. Patrick Doyle's application for building plot - Summer Hill =
3. To consider Town Surveyors, Sanitary Officers and Waterworks Officers Reports. =
4. To consider miscellaneous correspondence. =

(Members Present)

Mr. Christopher Murray, Chairman in the Chair Messrs Frank M. Phail, David St. Askins, Robert Lees, Peter Woollett, Francis B. Grey, Hugh R. M. Carroll, James F. M. Phail, Nicholas St. Askins and Francis Murphy =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Hugh R. M. Carroll, Seconded by James F. M. Phail
That the Press be admitted =

(Amendment)

Proposed by David St. Askins, Seconded by Robert Lees
That the Press be not admitted =

In a vote being taken the Amendment was declared carried. =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank M. Phail, Seconded by Francis Murphy, resolved
That Mr. M. Carroll Solicitor be requested to obtain the opinion of Mr. Dunne, Barrister, as to the validity of the Board of Trade Lease dated 1901, and to advise generally as to the legality of the proceedings re Finn, Finn and others =

(Resolution)

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by Nicholas H. Haskins and resolved
 "That we direct our Secretary to write to the Board of Trade
 "stating fully our Solicitor's opinion with reference to
 "our Lease and our powers contained therein about
 "prosecuting for removal of gravel ="

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank W. Whail, Seconded by David Haskins and resolved
 "That the building plot on Summer Hill containing 43 feet
 "be let to Mr Patrick Doyle on a lease of 75 years at 16/-
 "per annum, a clause to be inserted in the lease that
 "Miss Graham is to be provided with a gate and right-of-
 "way at 4/- per annum, the latter rent to be paid by Miss
 "Graham to the Urban Council, Lease to date from 29th
 "of September 1903, from which time the rent will be
 "payable, both to hold right-of-way as Tenants in Common"

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank W. Whail, Seconded by David H. Haskins and resolved
 "That the water cart be scraped and painted"

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank W. Whail, Seconded by Hugh W. Carroll and resolved
 "That a new door and frame be placed in James Davis
 "house Castle St. cost not to exceed 1/-"

Confirmation of Special Committee Proceedings

(Resolution)

Proposed by Peter Brien, Seconded by Charles Davis and resolved
 "That Special Committee Report dated 10th Instant
 "be hereby confirmed and adopted" =

John Murray Esqr,
 7th Dec 1903

Tom Hall Wicklow
 19th November 1903

A special meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council was held this day in pursuance to a requisition signed by Messrs Peter Brien, John Wayne, Nicholas H. Haskins, Charles Davis, Francis B. Grey, Robert Lees: =

To consider Councils Opinion re Board of Trade Lease and proceedings against Mr. Fox and others

Members Present

Mr. Frank W. Whail Vice Chairman in the Chair Messrs David H. Haskins, Robert Lees, Francis B. Grey, Hugh W. Carroll, Peter Woollett, Francis Murphy, and Nicholas H. Haskins =

Mr. Joseph W. Carroll Solicitor attended and read Councils Opinion

(Resolution)

Proposed by Francis Murphy, Seconded by Francis B. Grey and resolved:
 "That Mr. Joseph W. Carroll Solicitor having
 "read to us Mr. Dunne B. V. Councils Opinion,
 "we have asked him to submit an additional
 "query to Council viz, what particular portions
 "of the Foreshore the Board of Trade Lease demise"

John Murray Esqr
 7 Dec 1903

Town Hall Wicklow
7th December 1903

The usual monthly meeting of the Wicklow Urban District-Council was held this day in pursuance to notice to transact the following business: =

- 1 To consider Finance Business.
- 2 To consider Town Clerk's application to have his son appointed Assistant-Clerk, Salary to be determined by the Council =
- 3 To consider Town Surgeon's Report.
- 4 To consider Sanitary Officers Report's.
- 5 To consider Waterworks Overseer's Report.
- 6 To consider miscellaneous correspondence.
- 7 To consider Mr. Frank McThail's "Notice of Motion" that I will move at the next meeting that the consent of the Wicklow Town Commissioners be given to the application of Mr. Thomas Gregory to purchase his holding on the Corporate Estate and that the question of terms of purchase be decided by a Committee of the whole Council =

Members present Mr. Christopher Murray, Chairman, in the Chair

Other Members present

Hugh R. McCarroll, Nicholas H. Haskins, Charles Davis, Joseph McCarroll, James J. McThail, Patrick Padiu, James Waters, David H. Haskins, Peter O'Brien, Francis Murphy, Matthew Mc Donald, Edward Kennedy, John Wynne, Simon Nolan, Peter Woolittle, Frank McThail, Francis B. Greg, Robert Lees: =

The minutes of the previous meetings were read over and ordered to be signed after which the business was proceeded with =

Town Hall Wicklow
3rd December 1903

Your Finance Committee met this evening and having checked over Accounts, books and vouchers, and found that during the past month there was lodged to your credit the following sums: =

Mr. William Desais: Corporate Rents	£ 28. 2. 11
" Francis W. MacThail: Miscellaneous monies	4. 4. 0
" Michael Doyle: Tannery's Rate & Meter	15. 6. 1
Total	47. 13. 0

leaving a Cr. Balance of £ 143. 0. 2

We recommend the following payments.

Francis W. MacThail, six months Salary	£ 11. 5. 0
Same Wages Account	13. 3. 3
John Pansing, one month's Salary	4. 3. 4
Michael Doyle do	5. 0. 0
Edward Connors do	6. 0. 0
Andrew Dunne Scavenger	4. 10. 0
John & Jaggart Steel plate for Waterworks	1. 5. 6
Irish Land Commission Little Rent Charge	2. 19. 0
Dublin & Wicklow Railway Co. Carriage on macadam	1. 18. 0
Joseph Wallard Letter Book	" 7. 6
William Clarke. Contract repairing wall at- Bachelors Walk	35. 0. 0
Same. Repairs to Wooden Bridge	7. 15. 0
Messrs Murray, McThail. Amount of monies advanced towards payment to Council Demand	100. 0. 0
Total	193. 6. 9

An account from Mr. Nieu has been laid before us and we decline to entertain the matter inasmuch as we know nothing of the several items in his Account.

Signed Francis Murphy
Hugh R. McCarroll.

(Resolution)

Proposed by Charles Davis, Seconded by Peter Briew and resolved
 "That the report of the Finance Committee be hereby confirmed
 and adopted and that the Treasurer's authority for making
 payments to the several parties named therein be now
 signed by direction and on behalf the Council amounting
 in the aggregate to the sum of £5 19s. 6. 7" —

(Resolution)

Proposed by Joseph M. Carroll, Seconded by Francis B. Gress resolved
 "That Mr. Pinos Account be referred to a Committee
 of the whole Council on Wednesday Evening next at 7.30
 o'clock." —

Mr. Hugh R. M. Carroll took exception to item 2 on agenda paper
 and when the following resolution was proposed

(Resolution)

Proposed by Hugh R. M. Carroll Seconded by Nicholas H. Haskins
 "That the agenda paper be altered and that item
 2 be taken after 6 =

In a vote being taken 10 members voted against the resolution
 and 8 for = Mr. Matthew McDonald declined to vote

The Chairman declared the Amendment Resolution
 lost

(Resolution)

Proposed by Patrick Padiu, Seconded by John Wynne
 and resolved =

"That we hereby appoint Mr. Henry James
 MacPhail, Assistant-Clerk to the Wicklow
 Urban District Council at a salary of
 £12 per annum, Appointment and Salary
 to commence from this date, no increase of
 salary for 3 years
 Voted this 7th day of December 1903.

(Amendment)

Proposed by Joseph M. Carroll, Seconded by Nicholas H. Haskins
 "That inasmuch as no notice of motion for the appointment
 of an Assistant-Clerk has been given by a Member of the
 Council and no advertisement published for such an
 Assistant, we decline to appoint Mr. MacPhail's Son to be
 Assistant-Clerk" —

In a vote being taken the following voted for the Amendment
 Messrs Christopher Murray, Hugh M. Carroll, Nicholas H.
 Haskins, Charles Davis, Joseph M. Carroll, David Haskins,
 Francis Murphy, Matthew McDonald, Simon Nolan (9)

Against Messrs James J. McPhail, Patrick Padiu, James Waters,
 Peter Briew, Edward Kennedy, John Wynne, Peter Doolittle,
 Frank McPhail, Francis B. Gress and Robert Lees (10)

The Chairman declared the Amendment lost

(Second Amendment)

Proposed by Joseph M. Carroll, Seconded by Nicholas H. Haskins
 "That the question of appointment of Mr. MacPhail's
 Son be first referred to the Local Government
 Board before any such appointment take place" —

The Chairman having put the Second Amendment there
 voted as follows For Amendment Messrs C. Murray, Hugh
 M. Carroll, Nicholas H. Haskins, Charles Davis,
 Joseph M. Carroll, David Haskins, Francis Murphy,
 Matthew McDonald and Simon Nolan (9)

Against Messrs Patrick Padiu, James J. McPhail,
 James Waters, Peter Briew, Edward Kennedy,
 John Wynne, Peter Doolittle, Frank McPhail,
 Francis B. Gress and Robert Lees (10)

The Chairman declared the Amendment lost

The Chairman stated he would not take the responsibility of putting the original resolution, but would take a vote of the Council if the resolution was to be put and voted on =

The Chairman then took a vote whether he would put the original resolution = 10 voted for the resolution being put and 9 against =

The Chairman then put the original resolution viz

Proposed by Patrick Padin, Seconded by John Wynne and resolved
 "That we hereby appoint Mr Henry James W^{ac} Phail
 " Assistant-Clerk to the Wicklow Urban District Council
 " at a salary of £12 per annum (Twelve pounds)
 " appointment and salary to commence from this date,
 " no increase of salary for three years -
 Dated this 7th day of December 1903

The original resolution was then put For Messrs Patrick Padin, John Wynne, James W^{ac} Phail, James Waters, Robert Leo, Edward Kennedy, Peter Brien, Francis & Grey and Peter Doolittle (9)
 against Messrs Christopher Murray, Hugh & W^{ac} Carroll, Nicholas & Haskins, David & Haskins, Charles Davis, Joseph McCarroll, Francis Murphy, Simon Nolan (8)

The Chairman declared the original resolution carried =

Mr Frank W Phail declined to vote and Mrs Mathew McDonald left the Meeting before the resolution was put =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Francis Murphy, Seconded by Peter Brien and resolved
 " That this Meeting stands adjourned to Wednesday
 " Evening next 9th Instant at 7.30 o'clock pm

(Notice of Motion)

I give Notice that I shall move that at the next meeting that the resolution passed appointing Mr W Phail be rescinded =

Joseph McCarroll

John Murray Chairman
 4th Jan 1904