

Read letter from Local Government Board No 63.901 - 8/1/08, on the subject of Returns, Form L, furnished by Medical Officers of Health for half year ended 30/9/07 for consideration of the Council.

The nuisance reported have not been abated. The District is not in a good sanitary condition - The two main sewers in Wicklow discharge into river, most offensive smell dangerous to the Public Health, repeatedly reported, no action taken. Dairies, Cowsheds and Milk Shops could not be worse. Domestic scavenging primitive -

The Housing of the Working classes is very bad, new houses are required - The Streets are not properly cleaned.

The Board observe from Medical Officers Return Form L above referred to that the Medical Officers and Sanitary Sub Officers made only four and six reports respectively - The Board request that the Council will be good enough to require the Officers mentioned to furnish explanations on the subject.

Order. "That Dr. Halpin and Michael Doyle Sub San Officers be requested to furnish explanations asked for by Local Government Board: =

Order. "That extracts from Form L, be referred to Managing Committee for consideration" =

Read circular letter from Local Government Board No 106 M - 27/1/08 on the subject of Local Government Elections 1908 for County Councillors & Guardians: =

Read letter from Mr. J. F. Lyndall 31/1/08 re application for Lease dated 4/1/08.

Order. "That Jas Co's letter be referred to Managing Committee"

Read letter from Messrs Wilkins & Burden, 13 Belvidere Place Dublin, stating that it is now commercially possible for Towns of a small population to install their own generating Plant for the Public Supply of Electricity for both Lighting and Power.

Read letter from Mrs Hollingsworth stating that she did not write the letter read at last Council Meeting

Read an application from Mrs W. J. Haskins for permission to erect a weigh bridge on the public street at Bridge St

Order. "That Mrs Haskins application be referred to the Managing Committee" =

Read letter from Lieutenant-Quartermaster O'Brien asking the Council to discontinue the depositing of refuse on that part of the Murrough which will be taken up by Artillery Camps.

Order. "That the deposit of refuse be discontinued for present."

Read an application from Mr Peter Mullen The Mall, asking for a refund in his rent paid to the late Mr William Dessie of £ 2.

Order. "That the Agent be asked to Report in the matter to next Finance Meeting." =

Read letter from Michael Byrne, Sec Bakers Union, for use of Market Hall once every month free: =

#### Resolution

Proposed by James Gernon, seconded by James Dunne and resolved.  
"That the use of Market Hall be given to the Local Bakers Society every week for the purpose of holding their Meetings free from charge: =

Read application from James Dunne, James Waigh, Edward Doyle, Rutledge, Andrew Dunne, Stringer, Kanawagh & Kanawan Carters, asking to be given a share of the work on roads and streets: =

Read letters from Lord Grenfell, John Muldown MP, and Chief Secretary, on the subject of Militia Training at Wicklow

Resolution

Proposed by James Gemon, Secended by James De Courcy, and resolved,  
 "That the Report from the local correspondent of the "Irish Times"  
 "as appearing in the issue of that paper of the 31<sup>st</sup> Ult, relating to  
 "the alledged shooting outrage at Wicklow is false, mis-leading  
 "and mischievous especially, as regards the last paragraph which  
 "states that, "Since the Longford and Kings Co. traversers were  
 "tried in Wicklow at the Winter Assizes when people paraded the  
 "streets nightly, cheering and hooting the local police force find  
 "it extremely difficult to keep some of the populace in hand."  
 "a statement which gives the affair a political tinge, and which  
 "has been characterised by responsible police officers as absolutely  
 "untrue and a gross libel on the Town, that copies of this resolution  
 "be sent to John Redmond and "Irish Times" =

Resolution

Proposed by James Gemon, Secended by Francis Murphy "That a  
 "new lamp be placed midway in Melancholy Lane

Amendment

Proposed by Christopher Murray, Secended by M. H. Haskins and resolved,  
 "That the question of gas Lamp, Melancholy Lane be  
 "referred to Quarterly Meeting =

The Chairman put the Amendment when there voted as follows

For Amendment. Messrs W. M. Byrne, J. M. Phail, M. H. Haskins,  
 D. H. Haskins, Newbold & Murray (6)

Against. Messrs Gemon, Dunne, De Courcy, Brien & Murphy (5)

The Chairman declared the Amendment-carried which  
 was then put as the original resolution and adopted."

Mr. James Gemon's "Notice of Motion" re domestic scavenging was  
 adjourned to next monthly Meeting, in the mean time the matter  
 to be discussed by Managing Committee, Town Clerk to ascertain  
 information from other Councils on the subject" =

Mr. Francis Murphy's "Notice of Motion" to expend £50 on repairs to road  
 leading to Gregory's Farm was adjourned to Quarterly Meeting =

Resolution

Proposed by D. H. Haskins Secended by M. J. Brien and resolved,  
 "That Joseph Keogh Esq, Stock Broker, 21 Argyll St  
 "Dublin be appointed Stock Broker to this Council being  
 "a Wicklow man" =

Resolution

Proposed by Christopher Murray, Secended by James Gemon and resolved,  
 "That the Wicklow (Town) 3/4 70 Stock be placed on the Stock  
 "Exchange and Mr Keogh be instructed to place said Stock  
 "on the Market" =

Resolution

Proposed by Frank W. Phail, Secended by Christopher Murray, resolved,  
 "That we note with much gratification that Mr William  
 "Field, M. P. is about to introduce into the House of Commons  
 "a Bill to facilitate and enable Urban Councils to erect  
 "Dwellings for the Working Classes and we call upon all the  
 "Irish Members irrespective of politics to support the measure  
 "with a view to a speedy remedy of the deplorable state of  
 "affairs which exists in the wretched houses at present  
 "occupied by the majority of our working people, that  
 "copies of this resolution be sent to Mr Field M.P, our two  
 "County Members, the Attorney General and Solicitor General,  
 "Mr Redmond M.P, Mr Long M.P and the Chief Secretary =

Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Secended by Francis Murphy, resolved,  
 "That James Finlay be appointed Caretaker of Grass  
 "Lands, on same terms and conditions as his Father viz  
 "Ten Shillings per month" =

Notice of Motion

That at the next monthly meeting I shall move that the  
 thoroughfare now known as Upper Monkton Row be changed  
 to its old name of Summer Hill and that the name plates  
 be replaced: Frank W. Phail 4/2/08

Notice of Motion

I beg to give notice that at the next monthly meeting I shall move a resolution authorising a Committee of the Whole House to formulate a Scheme for the erection of fifty Workmens Dwellings with suitable sanitary accommodation, yards and gardens:—  
 Frank M. Shail

4/2/08

Notice of Motion

That I shall move at next monthly meeting that a lamp be erected in a suitable position at Friars Hill.—  
 Christopher Murray.

4/2/08

Wm. D. Byrne  
 4/2/08

Town Hall Wicklow  
 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1908

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 Committee's Report.
2. To consider Managing Committee's Report.
3. To consider Report from Committee of the Whole Council.
4. To consider Town Surveyors Report.
5. To consider Sanitary Officers Reports.
6. To consider Waterworks Officers Report.
7. To consider Tenders for Sewer Bridge Street.
8. To consider miscellaneous correspondence.
9. To consider Mr. James Fernon's Notice of Motion re Domestic Scavenging.—
10. To consider Mr. Frank M. Shail's "Notice of Motion" "That I shall move that the thoroughfare now known as Upper Monkton Row be changed to its old name of Summer Hill and that the names plates be replaced.
11. To consider Mr. Frank M. Shail's "Notice of Motion" "That I shall move a resolution authorising a Committee of the Whole House to formulate a Scheme for the erection of fifty workmens dwellings with suitable sanitary accommodation yards and gardens:—
12. To consider Mr. C. Murray's "Notice of Motion" "That I shall move that a lamp be erected in a suitable position at Friars Hill.—

Members Present.

Mr. William M. Byrne, Chairman in the Chair, Messrs Michael J. M. Brien, James Hamilton, James G. M. Shail, Edward M. Collins, Thomas A. Newbold.—

The Minutes of the previous meetings were read over and confirmed after which the business was proceeded with.

Finance Committee Report  
27<sup>th</sup> February 1908

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:-

Francis W. M. O'Shaill. Town Court Fines & Market Tolls	£ 2. 5. 4
Arthur Woolittle Corporate Rents	186. 0. 1
Michael Doyle Township Rate & Meters	25. 10. 7
	<u>£ 213. 16. 0</u>
Showing to Balance on Treasurers Acct of £ 46. 13. 1	

Bond Street Loan Account	
Arthur Woolittle Rents Bond St. House.	<u>£ 6. 7. 2</u>

We recommend the following payments

Francis W. M. O'Shaill. One months salary	£ 11. 5. 0
Same Workmens Wages	24. 8. 2
Henry J. MacShail One months salary	1. 0. 0
John Pansing Do	4. 3. 4
Michael Doyle Do	5. 8. 4
Edward O'Connor Do	6. 0. 0
James Redmond Do	1. 0. 0
James Finlay Temporary Caretaker Grass Land	" 10. 0
Rathdunn Wicklow Tomb Burial Board Two Quarters payment of Demand ending 31/3/08	39. 15. 11
Wicklow Technical Instruction Committee Balance of one penny rate	13. 6. 5
Treasurers Co. Council Last Quarters payment of Demand	213. 9. 0
Superior of Wicklow Dominican Convent. Refund on first Mchly. Poor Rate consequent on reduction of Valuation on Appeal	9. 4. 0
James J. O'Shaill Do. Do one year Poor Rate	" 5. 4
Same Do. Do " Township Rate	" 6. 6
Charles Kerr. Repairs to windows of Ambulance Car	1. 0. 0
W. D. Brome. One year rent Town Hall	2. 6. 2
Balleco Quarry Co. Macadam	42. 0. 6
Forward	<u>£ 385. 8. 8</u>

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Dublin & South Eastern Railway Co. Carriage on Macadam	7. 5. 0
William White Smith Work	1. 2. 11
Samuel Parauagh Balance Contract repairs to wall on Fitzmillians Road	8. 0. 0
Rep. Joseph Smyth Cement for Church Hill footpath	12. 6. 4
Joseph Darcy Coal Acct. Waterworks by 2. 6	
	Iron Stale 6. 5. 0
	13. 7. 6
Miss W. O'Shaill Printing & Stationary	1. 14. 4
Patrick Clarke. Smith Work.	14. 3
	<u>£ 29. 19. 0</u>
Signed	William M. Dyma Chmn.
	Edward M. Collins
	James J. O'Connor

Resolution

Proposed by Michael John'Brien, Seconded by James Hamilton & resolved  
"That the Report of the Finance Committee be hereby confirmed  
"and adopted and that Treasurers advise Mr. J. 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 £ 29. 19. 0"

Resolution

Proposed by Thomas P. Newbold, Seconded by Edward M. Collins and resolved.  
"That this Meeting stand adjourned to Monday next  
"9<sup>th</sup> Instant - at 11 o'clock A.M."

W. M. Byrne Chairman  
7. 4. 08.

Town Hall Wicklow  
9<sup>th</sup> March 1908

An adjourned Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District-Council was held this day in pursuance to notice to transact ordinary monthly business.

Members Present-

Mr William U. Byrne Chairman, in the Chair: Messrs Michael J. O'Brien, Edward M. Collins, James Hamilton, James Dunne, David H. Haskins, Thomas P. Newbold, Francis B. J. J. J., Samuel E. Kim, Christopher Murray, Nicholas H. Haskins, Joseph M. Carroll, Francis Murphy & S. V. Delahunt. =

Managing Committee Report-  
21<sup>st</sup> February 1908

Present-

Mr William U. Byrne Chairman, Messrs James J. J., Joseph M. Carroll, David H. Haskins, Thomas P. Newbold, S. V. Delahunt, E. M. Collins & James Hamilton =

1/ Your Managing Committee met this evening and having considered the subject of holding a Tuberculosis Exhibition and Lectures in Wicklow, have been advised that the expenses must be borne by private contributions, which we consider is not practicable owing to the depression of trade in the Town, we therefore recommend the Council to abandon the project and to write to Dr. Edgewood Flynn accordingly.

2/ We have had before us Mr. John Hanlon's letter of the 7<sup>th</sup> December 1907, stating that the roofs of the houses were removed by his directions, and have directed your Town Clerk to request Mr. Hanlon to restore the houses to their original state according to the terms of his Lease.

3/ Having considered Mr. Hanlon's report we have directed that advertisements be inserted in next week's local papers inviting Tenders for the construction of the Sewer in Bridge Street in accordance with plans and specifications.

4/ With regard to the filters at Reservoir we are of opinion that the close attention which they are receiving will suffice for the present.

5/ We have deferred inspecting proposed drainage Kilmartin Hill, New Street, Markton Row, Bond St and Castle St owing to the absence of the Town Surveyor.

6/ Your Town Clerk has been requested to direct Mr. Hanlon to supply the Chairman with the state of water in the Reservoir every week.

7/ We have inspected the plot applied for by the Wicklow Gas Company and have adjourned the matter for further consideration.  
Signed W. U. Byrne Chairman

24/2/08.

Resolution

Proposed by Mr. Collins, seconded by D. H. Haskins and resolved "That the Managing Committee meet on Thursday next 12<sup>th</sup> inst. at 8 o'clock p.m. to consider Gas Company's application, sewerage scheme, Hanlons Buildings and other matters of importance =

Order. That we re advertise for tenders for construction of sewer Bridge Street =

Order. That we approve of paragraphs 4-5 & 6 in Managing Committee Report =

Town Surveyors Report-  
3<sup>rd</sup> March 1908

During the past month your workmen have been chiefly engaged in cleaning and trimming up the outlying roads in the Urban District. The whole of the Streets and Roads are now in fair condition and the special works completed.

It will be necessary for the Roads Committee to meet at an early date to consider what, if any, special work they should start at, as there will scarcely be sufficient employment on the upkeep of the Roads for your present Staff while the weather keeps fine, I purpose sending some of them to clean the second set of filters at the Waterworks this week.

In accordance with your instructions I examined the sewerage of Messrs Haskins houses in the Brickfield Lane, the sewers and drains seem to be fairly constructed and suitable to the class of house they serve, but for some reason which I cannot explain, all the fresh air inlets have

been sealed up, consequently the present air shafts are useless as ventilators, and the whole system is practically without-ventilation. I would recommend that these inlets 8 in number be opened and proper gratings put on them, also that an open grating and dirt-box be put at the angle of the sewer in the Cricket Field, also a five inch upcast shaft at the head of the main sewer carried up above the chimney of the first-house in the Brickfield Lane.

I enclose plan for the enlargement of Messrs Kavanagh, Mitchell and Nicholsons holdings.

I have lodged the plan and specification for the Bridge Street Sewer with the Town Clerk, and tenders will probably come up for your consideration at today's Meeting.

John Pausin, Town Surveyor.

Read letter from Town Surveyor dated 9/3/08 enclosing copy of a notice served on John Hanlon in reference to the dangerous ruins in Ball Alley: =

Resolution

Proposed by Mr Collins, seconded by Thomas P Newbold and resolved, "That the Town Surveyors Report be referred to the Managing Committee for consideration and report: =

Sub Sanitary Officers Report  
3<sup>rd</sup> March 1908

I submit Report for the Month of February and beg to state that I made my usual sanitary inspections visiting over 150 premises and served 11 Notices under the Public Health Act for various sanitary purposes. The cleaning of the streets of the Town for the past month was well attended.

The drainage system was disinfected and flushed with water as usual each week. There was one patient conveyed to Hospital in the ambulance car and with the permission of your Chairman I got some repairs done to it. The Public Lighting of the Town was carried out in a satisfactory manner.

Michael Doyle Sanitary Officer

Read a second report from Sanitary Officer stating that for the half year ended 30/9/07 the following number of Sanitary

Notices were served and reported to the Council at each monthly meeting  
Form L. C. Sanitary Form A. 52 - Monthly Reports 20 =

Order. That <sup>copy of</sup> Sub Sanitary Officers report be forwarded to the Local Government Board for their information =

Waterworks Messengers Report  
3<sup>rd</sup> March 1908

Reservoir is 2 1/2 inches up on woodwork and suamunerating work done during the month. Recommends sand in No 1 Filter to be washed while water is plentiful =

Order. That two of the permanent workmen be sent to Waterworks to wash sand in No 1 Filter =

Resolution

Proposed by Samuel O'Pim, seconded by Christopher Murray and resolved, "That Waterworks Messengers Report be referred to Waterworks Committee, Town Surveyor to examine disc wire with Mr O'Connor and report: =

Read resolution from Wicklow School Attendance Committee

Proposed by Rev Canon Staples P.P.D., seconded by Thomas Gallagher Esq and unanimously resolved,

"That we direct our Secretary to convey to the Urban Council that we would feel obliged if the Council would confine their attention to their own proper business, as they have no power to interfere with the discretion of the School Attendance Committee, furthermore we consider their resolution a vote of censure on this Committee and misleading to the Parents of the children and encouraging them to keep their children from school" =

Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> March 1908

Thomas Byrne C.C. Chairman

Read letter from the Comtess of Aberdeen on the subject of holding a Tuberculosis Exhibition and Lecture in Wicklow between 30<sup>th</sup> March and 3<sup>rd</sup> April: Read letter from Dr Edgar Flynn on same subject =

Resolution

Proposed by Edward M Collins, Seconded by Christopher Murray, and resolved.  
 "That Messrs William W Byrne, Samuel E Pin, Thomas P  
 Newbold, S. V. Delahunt, James Lennon, N. H. Hopkins, Francis  
 McCreagh, Christopher Murray and Joseph W Carroll be hereby  
 appointed to organise a Committee to consider the advisability  
 of having a Tuberculosis Exhibition and Lecture in Wicklow."

Read circular letter from Local Government Board No 16 M. 1908  
 on the subject of the Sale for human food of diseased cattle =

Read circular letter from Local Government Board No 24 M. 1908  
 enclosing copy of Dairies, Cow Sheds and Milk Shops Order 1908

Read circular letter from Commissioner of Valuation No 47695  
 forwarding revised Valuation Lists for 1908 =

Read letter from Mr Samuel E Pin drawing attention to the want  
 of drainage and water supply for houses situated on Glebe  
 Avenue.

Order = "That Mr Pin's letter be referred to the Managing Committee  
 for consideration" =

Read letter from Miss Emily Owens complaining of an insanitary  
 gratuity opposite her entrance gate and asking the Council to  
 have it replaced with a new sealed trap.

Resolution

Proposed by Samuel E Pin, Seconded by E M Collins and resolved.  
 "That Miss Emily Owens application be referred to Managing  
 Committee with power to have same complied with" =

Read letter from Secretary County Council enclosing statement and  
 Demand for ensuing Financial Year.

Read an application from Mr E. H. Crofton Marlton, for a  
 supply of water from public water main and undertaking to pay  
 laying of main, stop valve and all expenses attending same.  
 together with an annual sum per annum in lieu of Water Rate

Resolution

Proposed by S. V. Delahunt, Seconded by Samuel E Pin and resolved.  
 "That Mr Crofton's application be referred to Waterworks Committee  
 with power to deal with same" =

Read letters from Mr C. H. Grimshaw on the subject of Sea Coast Erosion

Read resolution from Drogheda Corporation on the subject of publishing  
 abstract of accounts (Marked Read)

Read circular letter from Joseph Berlin enclosing a pamphlet dealing  
 with the question of the Housing of the Working classes in Towns.

Order = "That Mr Berlin's pamphlet be referred to the Managing Committee

Read letters from the Attorney General, Solicitor General, Chief  
 Secretary, William Field, John Muldoon acknowledging receipt  
 of resolution re Workmen's Dwellings in Ulster Districts

Read circular letter from Technical Instruction Department  
 requesting to know the persons appointed to act as Representatives  
 on the Joint-Committee for the County of Wicklow.

Clerk stated he had forwarded list of names as requested =

Read letter from Mr Frank M Phail asking the Council to  
 postpone his notice of motion re Cottages, and asking Mr  
 Newbold to move his motion re changing of name Upper  
 Mandem Row to Summer Hill as before.

Resolution

Proposed by Christopher Murray, Seconded by Samuel E Pin and resolved.  
 "That Mr Frank M Phail's Notice of Motion re Building  
 of Artisans & Labourers Dwellings be referred to our next  
 Meeting" =

Resolution

Proposed by Thomas R Newbold, Seconded by Nicholas H. Haskins  
 "That the thoroughfare now known as Upper Monkton Row and  
 "Colley Row be changed to their old name Summer Hill, and  
 "that the Name Plates be replaced" =

Amendment

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by Christopher Murray.  
 "That no change be made in Name Plates of Upper Monkton  
 "Row and Colley Row" =

The Chairman first having put the Amendment there voted as follows

For Amendment = Messrs Wm M Byrne, M. J. O'Brien, E. M. Collins, James  
 "Hamilton, James Dunne, David H. Haskins, Christopher  
 "Murray, Francis Murphy (8)

Against = Messrs Thomas R Newbold, F. B. Greig, Samuel E. Pinn,  
 N. H. Haskins, Joseph M. Carroll & V. Delahunty (6)

The Chairman declared the Amendment carried which was then  
 put and adopted as the original resolution" =

Resolution

Proposed by Christopher Murray, Seconded by E. M. Collins and resolved =  
 "That a Camp be placed in a suitable position in Friars  
 "Hill, position to be selected by the Managing Committee" =

Order. That our Agent be directed to proceed against Colonel  
 "Welch for rent due to 25<sup>th</sup> March next" =

Wm Byrne Chairman

7. 4. 08.

Wolman District

740 acres

length of roads 9 miles

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