

Town Hall, Wicklow  
3<sup>rd</sup> October 1909

The Quarterly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council was held this day in pursuance to notice to transact the following business:-

1. To confirm Finance Committee's Report.
2. To consider Auditor's Report on his recent Audit of the Council's Accounts for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1909; and an important letter from the Local Government Board on the same subject.
3. To consider Managing Committee's Report.
4. To consider Town Surveyor's Report.
5. To consider Sanitary Officers Reports.
6. To consider Dairy Inspectors Report.
7. To consider Waterworks Overseer's Report.
8. To consider miscellaneous correspondence.
9. To consider Mr Frank McDermott's "Notice of Motion" That the resolution of the 6<sup>th</sup> July 1909, letting Mr Ellen White the small field at Castle Street be rescinded, and that I shall move another resolution relating thereto.

Members Present.

Mr James Gernon Vice Chairman in the Chair; Messrs James Hamilton; James J. McDermott; Thomas S. Newbold; David H. Haskins; James Debourcy; J. B. Gregg; A. H. Haskins; Francis Murphy; James Dunne.

Mr Thomas S. Newbold took the statutory declaration having been co-opted in the name of Mr Robert See.

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

Mr David H. Haskins occupied the Chair during the reading of the minutes and confirmation of Finance Committee's Report. The Vice Chairman Mr James Gernon subsequently took the Chair.

Finance Committee's Report  
30<sup>th</sup> September 1909

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. McDermott	Miscellaneous receipts	£ 2 .. 19 .. 4
His Majesty's Government	Estate Duty Grant	40 .. 11 .. 4
Same	Contribution in respect of Sanitary Officers Salaries	18 .. 0 .. 0
Arthur Woodville	Corporate & Cottage Rents	12 .. 10 .. 6
Michael Doyle	Urban Rate & Meters	111 .. 10 .. 10
		<u>£ 185 .. 12 .. 0</u>

Giving a Cr Balance of £ 270 .. 14 .. 6

We recommend the following payments:-

Francis W. McDermott	One month's Salary	£ 11 .. 5 .. 0
Same	Workmen's Wages	21 .. 5 .. 3
Henry J. McDermott	One month's Salary	2 .. 10 .. 0
John Sansing	Do	4 .. 3 .. 4
Edward Connor	Do	6 .. 0 .. 0
Michael Doyle	Do	5 .. 8 .. 4
James Redmond	Do	1 .. 0 .. 0
James Searcy	Cartaker's Grass Sacks	10 .. 0
W. J. H. Dalpin	Three months moiety of Salary	1 .. 15 .. 0
Board of Works	Principal & Interest on Loans	26 .. 15 .. 4
Do	Do Do Harbour Loan	53 .. 6 .. 8
Local Government Board	Audit Fee	10 .. 10 .. 0
Rathfrim & Wicklow Joint Burial Board	3 <sup>rd</sup> Instalment of Demands	20 .. 10 .. 11
Wicklow News Letter	Printing & Advertising	3 .. 7 .. 3
John Byrne	Insurance Artisans Dwellings	1 .. 10 .. 0
Same	Do Bond St Houses	15 .. 0
Railway Co	Carnage on Meters	3 .. 6
Hely's Ltd	Abstract Forms etc	1 .. 12 .. 11
Michael Doyle	Township Rate	22 .. 11 .. 11
Arthur Woodville	3% on £ 162 .. 18 .. 7 Rents Collected & Lodged	8 .. 2 .. 11
School Attendance Committee	Expenses Quarter ended 30/9/09	11 .. 5 .. 0
Wicklow Press	Advertising £ 1 .. 19 .. 9	1 .. 19 .. 9
The M <sup>rs</sup> Name	3% for collecting £ 447 .. 9 .. 9 Poor Rate	22 .. 4 .. 5
Same	Religious Work at Poor Rate Books	3 .. 10 .. 0
(Signed) C. M. Collins; Francis Murphy; James Gernon		<u>£ 242 .. 5 .. 6</u>



Resolution

Proposed by James G. McHail

Seconded by J. B. Gregg.

Resolved:- That the Report of the Finance Committee be hereby confirmed and  
 " adopted and that Treasurer's Advice Note 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  
 " £ 242. 5. 6

Auditor's Report

15<sup>th</sup> Sept 1909.

No. 112, 589/1909.

Gentlemen,

I have had the honour to report that I have audited the accounts of Wicklow Urban District Council for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1909, and I beg to transmit, herewith, two copies of the Abstracts duly certified.

The Urban Rate levied for the period amounted to 3/9 in the £ and the Poor Rate 2/4, in both cases the collection was satisfactory.

I have surcharged the Rent Collector with the sum of £ 4. 14. 2, being arrears of rent of Artisans' Dwellings which he neglected to collect and which are now irrecoverable also the sum of £ 4. 2. 10, Poor Rate allowed.

I have also been obliged to surcharge several items amounting to £ 18. 0. 8 included in the Solicitor's bill of costs.

The circumstances connected with this case should impress the Council with the necessity of having their Solicitor's bills furnished at least once a year, the one under review having extended over three years. Had the costs been furnished at frequent intervals the Council would have been aware that the Solicitor had not obtained the amounts referred to, from the Contractor who was liable and they could then have taken steps to obtain payment of the amount while it was possible to do so.

The accounts were prepared and submitted for audit by the Town Clerk as heretofore, in a highly commendable manner.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,  
J. A. Baker.The Local Government Board  
DublinLocal Government Board, Dublin,  
20<sup>th</sup> September 1909

No. 112, 589/1909.

Wicklow Urban District

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to enclose, herewith, a copy of a special report of their Auditor, Mr D. A. Baker, on the accounts of the collector of Rents of the Corporate Estate and Artisans' Dwellings of the Wicklow Urban District Council, and I am to request that it may be submitted for the Urban Council's special consideration, due notice being given to each member.

The Board desire me to point out that the facts disclosed in the report are not satisfactory, nor do they reflect credit on the collector.

I am to draw the special attention of the Council to the necessity for the Official Rental remaining at all times in the custody of the Clerk, the Collector to have access to it during office hours. The Council's attention is also called to the provisions of Article 64 of the Public Bodies Order, 1904, and with reference thereto, I am to state that serious notice should be taken by the Council of any failure on the part of the collector to submit his accounts regularly at least once each month to the Clerk in order that they may be checked. I am to point out that under Article 5 of the same Order it is the duty of the Clerk regularly to report any failure in this respect on the part of the collector.

With reference to the 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph of the accompanying Report, the Board desire me to state that the collector should be called on to explain, in writing, his failure to obey the Order of the Council directing him to take legal proceedings against tenants owing one year's rent.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,  
A. R. Barlow  
Secretary.

The Clerk,

Urban District Council  
Wicklow.Auditor's Special Report  
15<sup>th</sup> Sept 1909

Gentlemen,

In pursuance to your instructions, I beg to furnish a special report on the



accounts of the collector of Corporate Estate and Artizans Dwellings Rents of Wicklow Urban Council.

It would appear that my last report on the audit of Wicklow Urban District accounts, which was submitted to the Council, was referred to the Finance Committee but as there was no attendance at the meeting, no action was taken with regard to the several matters referred to therein, nor has the collector complied with the instructions given, the rental being still retained in his possession, it has, therefore, not been checked by the Town Clerk, nor has it, he informed me, been submitted to the Finance Committee during the year.

It is most essential that this Rental should be kept in the Office safe as the consequence of loss through fire or otherwise would be very serious.

As regards the Corporate Estate the arrears have increased by about £ 30 during the year. Though the Council passed a resolution some years ago that in the case of all rents one year in arrears proceedings should be taken, I find there are upwards of forty cases in which one year and upwards are due and in none of these instances have the steps indicated in the resolution been taken, in explanation the collector states he considers the arrears perfectly safe. I have, however, pointed out to him his personal liability should any loss arise.

There are several items which it would be necessary for him to lay before the Council for the purpose of striking off, these I have noted in the rental.

Vouchers for Rates and taxes allowed have not in all cases been submitted, these are items which should be verified by the Town Clerk who is conversant with the various letting agreements and leases.

The receipts from grazing lands show an improvement on the previous year, this account is one that I have no means of checking, as the charges are made per head of cattle and as these are constantly going on and off it would be necessary that the Town Clerk and Finance Committee should regularly check this account.

With regard to the Artizans Dwellings there are a number of cases in which the arrears are much too high.

The collector admits four cases of bad debts in which the tenants have left owing arrears amounting to £ 4. 14. 2, these I have surcharged him with, as he neglected to promptly collect the amounts. There are two other cases (No. 6 and 7 Strand Street) which were £ 1. 3. 10 and £ 1. 11. 2 respectively, in arrears on 31<sup>st</sup> March last, these I have not surcharged as the tenants are still in occupation and the collector thinks he may be able to collect the arrears.

I have also surcharged the collector with Door Rate allowed on these dwellings and have stated my reasons therefor on the face of the Ledger.

The Town Sergeant has, I understand, ceased to collect these rents

for the collector.

The prescribed form of Rental was not kept during the year but I believe this will be adopted in the current period.

I have the honour to be,  
Gentlemen,  
Your Obedient Servant.  
J. A. Baker.

Local Government Board  
Dublin.

### Resolution

Proposed by Thomas S. Newbold

Seconded by W. H. Haskins

Resolved:- "That the Local Government Board be asked to remit the surcharge on Mr Arthur Doolittle for allowance of Door Rate £ 4. 2. 0 inasmuch as the Agent was directed by the Council to make the allowance to the Tenants"

### Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haskins

Seconded by W. H. Haskins

Resolved:- "That our Agent be instructed to issue Notices to Quit in future in all weekly tenant cases for Setty Sessions for possession of houses same custom as private owners"

### Resolution

Proposed by W. H. Haskins

Seconded by Thomas S. Newbold

Resolved:- "That Auditor's Reports be referred to a Committee of the whole Council to meet on Thursday evening at 7.30 pm"



Managing Committee's Report  
1<sup>st</sup> October 1909

Present

Messrs James Hamilton, Francis Murphy, David H. Haskins, James Debourcy, also present Messrs Thomas S. Newbold, Francis B. Gregg.

1. Your Committee inspected Summer Hill and had before them Mr. Newbold's application. We recommend that the Slot between Mr. Newbold's and Anne Ryan's holding be investigated and reported thereon.

2. Your Committee's attention has been drawn to the advisability of Mr. Newbold Straightening the fence opposite his houses on Summer Hill, Mr. Sansing to mark the line of road.

3. We recommend that notice be served to provide drainage to John Conway's premises Castle Street.

4. We inspected with Mr. Thomas Gregory the passage way between his holding and Mr. Gillellis and are of opinion that it is a matter between the Tenants themselves.

5. We have carefully inspected Miss Gregg's and Dr. Gregg's houses in Strand Street and recommend:- (1) That Miss Gregg be granted a renewal of the lease of four houses on the South side of Strand Street at an increase of 20 per cent on present rent, lease and rent to date from 25<sup>th</sup> March 1909; new lease to operate as a surrender of the old lease and be taken out on or before 1<sup>st</sup> January 1910. (New Rent - £1. 5. 0 p<sup>a</sup>)

(2) We also recommend that Miss Gregg be granted a renewal of the lease of the house on the corner of the Lane with a frontage to Bond Street on similar terms and conditions, Miss Gregg to provide drainage and sanitary accommodation to the satisfaction of our Town Surveyor. (New Rent - 3/6 per annum) Formerly included in H<sup>o</sup> Hayes Lease

(3) We recommend that the separate house on North east side of Strand Street be included in the lease of the premises adjoining and which lease has already been sanctioned to Dr. Gregg the rent to be apportioned on the value of the whole plot and to include 20 per cent increase, the usual conditions to apply. (Rent - £ 3. 17. 6 which includes 3 Mrs. Doyle & Charles Ralph's holdings now in one lease (6 houses))

We have carefully considered the advisability of granting a renewal of the lease of two houses, one situate fronting Bond Street, and the other in the Lane leading from Bond to Strand Street, and recommend that same be granted at an increase of 20 per cent, Dr. Gregg to provide drainage and connect the same with sewer Strand Street, to the satisfaction of our Town Surveyor. (New Rent - 5/- per annum formerly included in H<sup>o</sup> Hayes Lease)

(Signed) Francis Murphy

James Hamilton

James Debourcy

David H. Haskins

(See Folio 247 granting New Leases of 2 Mrs Doyle & Charles Ralph's holdings now vested in Dr. Gregg)

Resolution

Proposed by N. H. Haskins

Seconded by James Hamilton

Resolved:- "That the Managing Committee's Report dated 1<sup>st</sup> October 1909 be hereby confirmed and adopted"

Town Surveyor's Report  
30<sup>th</sup> Sept 1909

Gentlemen;

The roads and public works in your District are in fair condition. I have no application to make for new works this quarter. My attention has been called to the want of a concrete footpath at the Technical School, of course this would be an improvement if there were funds to construct it.

An excessive waste of water still continues, and although a large number of house holders have been served with notice to comply with the regulations very few have done so. I have instructed your Solicitor to take immediate proceedings against the defaulters.

I am Gentlemen  
Your Obedient Servant,  
John Sansing.

Order:- That the Town Surveyor's Report be referred to a Committee of the whole Council.

Resolution

Proposed by D. H. Haskins

Seconded by Francis Murphy

Resolved:- "That the whole question of Water Bye Laws and the notices that have been served on Householders be referred to a Committee of the whole Council"

Resolution

Proposed by Thomas S. Newbold

Seconded by D. H. Haskins

Resolved:- "That pending the receipt of instructions from this Council the Solicitor be directed to take no further action with regard to infringements of Rule 4. of Waterworks Regulations"



Sub Sanitary Officer's Report  
2<sup>nd</sup> October 1909

Gentlemen;

I submit report for the month of September, and beg to state that I made my usual sanitary visitations inspecting 140 premises and served 12 notices under the Public Health Act for various sanitary purposes.

The drainage system of the town was disinfected and flushed with water as usual they appear to be in good working order.

The public lighting of the town during the month was well maintained. Some time ago I called attention to the necessity of having the doors of the old Boat House Murrrough repaired and painted. I now do so again hoping you will give it consideration.

I have had the Bathing Boats removed to storage for the winter. The Medical Officers of Health's attention has been directed to some sanitary subjects.

(Signed) Michael Doyle S.S. Offr.

Order:- That the Sub Sanitary Officer's Report be referred to the Managing Committee.

Sub Sanitary Officer's Second Report  
28<sup>th</sup> Sept 1909

I hereby draw your attention to the unsanitary condition of the Water Closet on the premises of Michael Hogan, Strand Street Murrrough. There is a hole broken in bottom of basin in closet. This house is the property of your Council.

Order:- That Sub Sanitary Officer's Second Report be referred to Managing Committee.

Waring Inspector's Report  
5<sup>th</sup> Oct 1909

Gentlemen;

During the past month the licensed Proprietors continued to keep their premises in fair condition; I have served 3 notices on unlicensed barkeepers to comply with Local Government Board General Order 1<sup>st</sup> May 1908 within 21 days.

I have under observation parties who are endeavouring to evade the Bye Laws and whose premises are a danger to the public health, I have drawn the attention of your Sub Sanitary Officer to the matter.

(Signed) James Redmond

Order:- That the Waring Inspector's Report be referred to Managing Committee

Read Waterworks Overseer's Report stating that the water was down 5'-9" from old overflow; and also that he was having the Filter Beds cleaned.

Order:- That the Waterworks Overseer's Report be referred to Waterworks Committee

Resolution

Proposed by W. H. Haskins

Seconded by James McEwery

Resolved:- "That Slugs be obtained for fountains and the Overseer be supplied with the usual tools"

Resolution

Proposed by W. H. Haskins

Seconded by J. J. McShail

Resolved:- "That the following visit Waterworks on Saturday next at 3 pm Messrs James Geron, W. Haskins, J. S. Newbold, J. McEwery, James Dunne & Town Surveyor and report on catchment area and source of supply to Reservoir"

Read letter 9/9/09 from Surveyor of Taxes on the subject of Income Tax on the Council property; which was referred to the Corporate Agent to report on.

Read an application from Mr J. Lyndon asking for amount of fees due him under the Notification of Infectious Disease Act.

Order:- That Mr Lyndon's application be referred to the Finance Committee in the meantime Mr Lyndon to furnish a detailed account and Local Government Board be asked if the Council can legally pay same.

Read an application from A. E. Reid for renewal of lease of premises 1 Seibim Place Wicklow.

Order:- That A. E. Reid's application be referred to the Managing Committee

Read an application from John McCall asking for permission to connect Water from public Main to his house Kilmartin Hill, Wicklow



Order:- That John McCall be granted permission to connect with public main.

Read letter 4/10/09 from War Department asking the Council if they would accept surrender of lease of part of the Corporation Murrugh dated 28<sup>th</sup> August 1899 for 19 years at a rent of £5 per annum.

Order:- Town Clerk to reply that the Council cannot see their way to accept a surrender.

Read letter 4/10/09 from Mr Editha Gardiner asking for the usual terms on which the Council grant renewal of leases, and to know when the lease of yard on North Quay would expire

Order:- That Mr Editha Gardiner's letter be referred to the Managing Committee.

Read letter from Mr D. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, acknowledging receipt of the Council's instructions to obtain possession of the Slot held by Thomas Roche

Read letter from Mr D. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, asking to be informed if Thomas Roche received copy of resolution dated 4<sup>th</sup> November 1895; and if so he was of opinion that Roche would clearly be a weekly tenant of the Slot.

Read a further letter from Mr McCarroll on the same subject and stating that the tenancy was treated by the Agent as a yearly tenancy, gale days, March & September and that Notice to Quit must expire at the end of the first or some other year of the tenancy, consequently it will be necessary to give Notice prior to next March expiring on the 29<sup>th</sup> September 1910.

Read an application from the Road Men asking to be supplied with Oil Suits for the Winter

### Resolution

Proposed by James Debowreey  
Seconded by Francis Murphy

Resolved:- "That Sunders be invited for Oil Suits for Workmen same to be considered at a Committee Meeting of the whole Council"

Read letter from Irish Tourist Development with regard to advertising Wicklow as a Health Resort.

### Resolution

Proposed by James Debowreey  
Seconded by W. H. Haskins

Resolved:- "That the following be appointed a committee to co-operate with the Irish Development Association Messrs James Gannon; Frank McShail; William M. Byrne; Francis Murphy; W. H. Haskins; Thomas S. Newbold; E. M. Collins; S. V. Delahunty and our Town Clerk to obtain a copy of the Bill now before Parliament"

Read letter from Mr Ellen White on the subject of her Drain

Order:- That Mr Ellen White's letter be referred to the Managing Committee

Read letter from Mr D. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, asking the Council to pass a resolution recommending the remission of the surcharge of £4. 0. 2 made by the Auditor upon the Estate Agent in connection with allowing the Poor Rate to the Tenants of the Bond & Strand Street Houses.

Read letter from Miss Hannah Smith stating that she was carrying out the repairs to her low house as directed by the Drain Inspector; and that the channel would be made as soon as she received instructions as to what she was to do.

Order:- Town Surveyor & Drain Inspector to visit Miss Smith's premises and report as to the best course to adopt with regard to the disposal of her sewerage.

Read letter from Local Government Board enclosing a copy of the Report of the Auditor on his Audit of the accounts of Rathdrum & Wicklow Joint Burial Board for the half year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1909, with attested Abstract of accounts.

Read letter from Local Government Board enclosing a copy of the Report of the Auditor on his Audit of the accounts of County Wicklow Joint Technical Instruction Committee for the Half Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1909, with attested Abstract of accounts.

Read letter from Mr Dorcas Mitchell asking the Council to repair the ceiling of her house High Street Wicklow.



Order:- That Mr. Horcas Mitchell's letter be referred to the Managing Committee.

Read an application from Messrs Michael Byrne + John Byrne, Convent Road, Wicklow asking the Council to have their gates made wider so as to permit the taking in of Cars.

Order:- That Messrs Michael + John Byrnes application be referred to the Managing Committee.

Read an application signed by Messrs James Kelly; Thomas Sangton; Mark Byrne; A. Ward; J. Walker + G. Taylor asking the Council to provide a water table opposite the houses Castle View + have the place levelled off.

Order:- That Messrs Kelly, Sangton, Byrne, Ward, Walker + Taylor letter be referred to the Managing Committee to visit + report thereon.

Read letter No 53698 from Chief Clerk General Valuation Office acknowledging receipt of claim for refund on account Harbour Rates.

Read letter from Local Government Board No. 62,022/07 inquiring as to what steps have been taken by the Council in preparing Bye Laws under the Public Health Acts and submitting them for the provisional approval of the Board.

Order:- That Local Government Board's letter be referred to the Managing Committee.

Read Letter No 110,817/09 from Local Government Board enclosing a copy of Dr Halpin's report relative to the occurrence of a case of Diphtheria in the Wicklow Urban District and asking what steps have been taken by the Council with a view to improving the sewerage of the Urban District.

Order:- Town Clerk to reply to Local Government Board stating the Council are awaiting the sanction of a Loan to carry out extension sewerage scheme.

Read circular letter from Local Government Board requesting to be furnished with a return showing the amounts which have been paid as salaries to Sanitary Officers.

Chas Murray  
2/11/09

Town Hall Wicklow

2nd November 1909

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 confirm Finance Committee's Report.
2. To consider Managing Committee's Report.
3. To confirm Report from Committee of the whole Council.
4. To consider Town Surveyor's Report.
5. To consider Sanitary Officers Report.
6. To consider Dairy Inspector's Report.
7. To consider Waterworks Overseer's Report.
8. To consider miscellaneous correspondence.

Members Present

Mr. Christopher Murray Chairman in the Chair; Messrs James Hamilton; James Dunne; F. B. Gregg; William M. Byrne; W. H. Haskins; Frank McChaul; S. D. Delahunt; N. H. Haskins; Joseph McCarroll; James Hebourneq.

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

Finance Committee's Report

28th October 1909.

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

Francis W. McChaul	Settly Sessions, Education + Town Court Fines etc	£ 4 . 9 . 11
Same	Contribution from Government in respect of Harbour Charges	276 . 1 . 7
Arthur Hoolittle	Corporate Rents	50 . 5 . 11
Michael Doyle	Urban Rate	66 . 14 . 6
F. W. McChaul	Contribution from Government County in lieu of Rate	36 . 1 . 11
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		£ 433 . 13 . 10

giving a Balance of £ 494 . 2 . 5.



We recommend the following payments:-

Francis W. McPhail	One month's salary	£11. 5. 0
Same	Workmen's Wages	29. 9. 6
Henry J. McPhail	One month's salary	2. 10. 0
John Sansing	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	caretaker Lyross Sands	10. 0
Francis W. McPhail;	5% on £246. 1. 4 being for clerical work in connection with recoupment of Harbour Charges etc	13. 16. 1
Ballice Quarry Co	Macadam	14. 2. 6
W. S. E. Rhye Co	Carnage on same	15. 11. 2
Sealy, Bryers & Walker	Education Books	12. 7
Wicklow People	Advertising	11. 3
Mr Sydney	Fees in respect of notification Diseases Acts	2. 10. 0
Glenfield & Kennedy	Slugs for Fountains	3. 9
Mr Gellethie	Insurance under Workmen's Compensation Acts	3. 13. 9
Joseph Collins	Account for Tea Chest covers	4. 0
Smith Brothers	Carbon Paper	3. 0
Thomas Wilkinson	Cartage on 98. 18. 2 Macadam @ 9d	3. 14. 3
Louis Carroll	Setting Notice Boards	15. 0
		<u>£ 119. 3. 6</u>

(Signed) S. D. Delahunt; Joseph McCarroll; William M. Byrne.

### Resolutions

Proposed by W. H. Haskins

Seconded by Mr F. B. Gregg.

Resolved:- "That the Report of the Finance Committee be hereby confirmed and adopted and Treasurer's Advice Note 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 £119.3.6

Minutes of Managing Committee  
Meeting 19<sup>th</sup> October 1909

### Business

1. To consider Medical Officer of Health's Reports.
2. To consider Town Surveyor's Report.
3. To consider Harry Inspector's Report.
4. To consider Mr Kinds application for new lease.
5. To consider Mr Edith Gardiner's application for new lease.
6. To consider Tenders for Lib Suites.
7. To consider Mr Ellen White's application re Harry.
8. To consider Mr Dorcas Mitchell's application for repairs to house.
9. To consider Michael & John Byrne's application for enlarged back gate.
10. To consider Messrs Kelly, Sangston, Byrne, Ward, Walker & Taylors application to have lower promenade put in order.
11. To consider Local Government Board's letter re Bye Laws.

### Present

Mr Christopher Murray, Chairman in the Chair, Messrs Joseph McCarroll; M. S. O'Brien, James Hamilton; Francis Murphy, James Hebourney; S. D. Delahunt; James Dunne; E. M. Collins; W. H. Haskins; Frank McPhail.

- (1) Your Town Clerk reports that the Sub Sanitary Officer Doyle is unwell and we recommend that Patrick Crowlock be directed to carry out Mr Doyle's duties until further orders with the assistance of the Town Clerk.
- (2) We have considered your Medical Officer of Health's Reports on the subject of 3 cases of Diphtheria and one of Scarlet Fever and understand that the Medical Officer's directions have been carried out.
- (3) We understand that No 2 National School has been closed on the 18<sup>th</sup> instant.
- (4) We have directed your Town Surveyor and Executive Sanitary Officer to inspect the sanitary arrangements at No 2 National School and to take immediate steps should they consider it necessary to have same put in order.
- (5) Your Surveyor reports that he examined the manholes personally of



Wentworth Place sewer and found no deposit that may account for any escape of sewer gas, but it is just possible that from the deposit of sewage at the outfall of this sewer may cause smells to arise, through the open ventilators from the incoming tides, but provision has been made to remedy this in the new scheme of intercepting sewer about to be constructed as soon as sanction of Local Government Board is obtained. The sewer is regularly flushed twice a week from the Abbey River.

(6) We have had before us Local Government Board letter No 112, 200 dated 16<sup>th</sup> instant relative to Inquiry for Loan of £ 1350 for sewage scheme and water, and have directed your Town Surveyor to comply with Local Government Board's requirements.

(7) We have directed your Town Clerk to forward samples of Public Water Supply for analysis, one sample to be taken from Reservoir before it enters the filters.

(8) We have directed your Town Surveyor to obtain an estimate for repairs and painting Boat House Wharf.

(9) Your Managing Committee have made arrangements to inspect Labourers Cottages Strand + Bond Streets and Convent Road and will report thereon.

(10) We have considered Mr Reid's and Mr Gardiner's applications for new leases and have asked your Town Agent to report thereon.

(11) We have directed your Town Surveyor to have the necessary repairs done to Dorcas Mitchell's house High Street.

(12) We have considered Miss Byrne's application for double gate, Convent Road and cannot recommend same.

(13) We have directed your Town Surveyor to have Lower Promenade put in order.

(14) The subject of Bye Laws under Public Health Acts referred to in Local Government Board's letter is under consideration

(Signed) C. Murray; Francis Murphy; Frank McShair; James Hamilton; Joseph McCarroll; James Dunne; S. D. Delahunty.

### Resolution

Proposed by William M. Byrne

Seconded by N. J. Huskins

Resolved:- "That the Managing Committee's Report dated 19<sup>th</sup> October 1909  
" be hereby confirmed and adopted"

### Town Agent's Report 1<sup>st</sup> November

I beg to report:- (1) In reference to application of Mr Albert Reid for lease of No 1 House and Premises Seetrim Place Wicklow. This Applicant is not in position to surrender existing Lease, in the absence of which, the Board has no authority to entertain this application.

(2) In reference to application of Mr E. Gardiner representative of the late J. Synge Esq for renewal of existing lease of Yard and Premises North Quay Wicklow dated 25<sup>th</sup> March 1833 for term of 99 years to expire 25<sup>th</sup> March 1932, rent £ 8 yearly. In the event of future development of its Site, the Board ought to consider before granting leases of holdings, situate at North Quay.

(Signed) Arthur Doolittle  
Agent.

Order:- That the Agent's Report be hereby approved of.

The Town Clerk stated that in consequence of the illness of Mr Doyle, Town-ship Rate collector, it would be necessary for the Council to appoint some <sup>one</sup> to collect in the balance of outstanding Township Rate.

### Resolution

Proposed by Mr J. B. Gregg.

Seconded by W. J. Huskins

Resolved:- "That we the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby direct  
" and authorise Thomas McNamee, Town Rate collector to collect  
" in outstanding Urban Rate until such time as Mr Michael  
" Doyle is able to resume duty"



Committee Meeting of the Whole Council  
2<sup>nd</sup> November 1909

Present

Mr James Gernon, Vice Chairman in the Chair, Mess<sup>rs</sup> S. D. Delahunt, Joseph McCarroll, William M. Byrne, Thomas S. Newbold, James Hamilton.

Your Committee have directed your Agent to give a written explanation on the Auditor's report on his recent audit of the corporate rents to be submitted to a Committee of the whole house.

We have accepted Mr S. D. Byrne's tender for 6 Oil Suits at 12/6 each.

(Signed) James Gernon; James Helbourne; Joseph McCarroll;  
J. S. Newbold; S. D. Delahunt.

Resolution

Proposed by Mr J. B. Gregg  
Seconded by W. H. Haskins

Resolved:- "That Report of Committee of the whole Council dated 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 09  
" be hereby confirmed and adopted "

Dairy Inspector's Report  
2<sup>nd</sup> November 1909

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month I have constantly visited the premises of the licensed Cowkeepers and found them in sanitary order.

I inspected Mrs Rylands premises at Bollarney and found that she has considerably improved them and is now entitled to be licensed under the regulations also Mr Joseph Heily, Abbey St and Mr Moody Dunbar.

I have served 3 notices on cowkeepers to comply with Social Government Board Order of 1908, and in only one case has any attempt been made to carry out the regulations, however the party referred to will require to erect a suitable Dairy before any license can be granted.

By appointment I met Mr Sanson and visited Edward Smith's premises Marlton Road, we pointed out the necessary requirements, and up to this nothing has been done, and also in the case of Mr Rutledge, New Street the Cowshed and Dairy in the latter premises is most unsanitary and she refused to comply with the requirements, under those circumstances I have no option but to take immediate proceedings, I should state that the Landlord Mr Sim provided first class drainage in the premises and a small outlay

would have made everything right

(Signed) James Redmond,  
Dairy Inspector.

Resolution

Proposed by W. H. Haskins

Seconded by James Dunne

Resolved:- That licenses be granted to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Moody, Rylands & Heily  
under Dairy's Act and Dairy Inspector's report approved of."

Read Waterworks Overseer's Report stating the Water was down 4<sup>ft</sup> 3 ins from old overflow & enumerating work done during the month.

Order:- That Waterworks Overseer's Report be referred to Waterworks Committee

Read letter No 122, 982 from Social Government Board acknowledging receipt of letter & resolution re surcharge of £ 4. 2. 10

Read letter 13/10/09 from Comptroller of Stamps & Taxes referring to the Council's letter of 16/11/09 re issue of £ 23,366. 19/4 Stock from the 20<sup>th</sup> June 1899 the date of the passing of the Finance Act 1899 up to November 1908, and stating the Council paid nominal Loan Capital Duty in respect of only an issue of £ 14,464 Stock a balance of £ 8,902. 19/4 is therefore unaccounted for, and with a view to ascertaining whether Nominal Loan Capital Duty is payable on the balance, asking to be supplied with a statement showing in detail the amount of Stock issued at different dates, the authority under which the Stock was issued, and also as to whether any portions thereof were secured by stamped debentures and if the Council has issued any Loan Capital since December 1906.

Order:- Town Clerk to supply information asked for.

Read letter from War Office 22/10/09 stating that the re-distribution of units in connection with the present Army Scheme does not admit of troops being quartered at Wicklow.

Order:- That letter from War Office be referred to Managing Committee.



Read letter from Miss Gregg acknowledging receipt of the Council's letter of 30/10/09; re application for new lease.

Read letter from Mr Patrick Canavan applying for one of the Council's Cottages, Bond Street.

Order:- That the matter be left in the Agent's hands.

Read letter from Mr Robert Mosley stating that he understands the lease of Yard North Quay known as Synge's Yard had expired, and if so, would the Council grant him a new lease as he was in occupation of the Yard at present.

Read letter from Chief Clerk, Valuation Office acknowledging receipt of the Council's Claim for recoupment of Harbour Charges and stating that the matter has been reported to the Lord Lieutenant.

Read letter from St Colonel Alexander, Island Bridge Barracks, Dublin, asking to be supplied with the amount of Rate in the S, levied in the Urban District of Wicklow.

Read the following letter from Mr William White, Strand St. Wicklow:- I desire to make an application to your Council concerning lease of the Sites of 6 houses held by me in Bond Street and Strand Street on your property.

The present rent on these six Sites is £ 6.. 7.. 8 a year. This is, as you must be aware an excessive rent for the class of property in question, and much higher than the rents paid by the Owners of similar property on the Town Estate in the same locality. My application is simply to be treated on the same basis as the other Owners of Houses in this district. I would therefore respectfully request the Council to inquire into all the circumstances of the case and to fix a rent on my property at a rate similar to that fixed on the other property of the same class in the neighbourhood.

If you should do this I would be prepared to surrender my lease and take a renewal at an advance of 20% on such reasonable rent as might in the first instance be fixed by the Council.

I make this request because I am at present paying three times more rent than any one else holding similar houses on the Town Estate. Hoping that as my case is an exceptional one you may accede to my request

### Resolution

Proposed by James Dunne

Seconded by W. H. Haskins

Resolved:- "That Mr William White's application be referred to the Managing Committee for inspection of premises and report"

Read letter from Chief Crown Solicitor, asking to be informed if the Council would accept a surrender of the Murragh Hiring for a consideration and if so what is the lowest sum they will accept.

Read a further letter stating that the question of surrendering the Artillery Barracks is the subject of negotiations with the owners thereof.

### Resolution

Proposed by F. B. Gregg

Seconded by W. H. Haskins

Resolved:- "That War Department's letter be referred to the Managing Committee for report."

Read letter from Mr J. H. McCarroll, Solicitor, acknowledging receipt of the Council's resolution of 5/10/09 relative to taking no further action with regard to infringements of Rule 4 of the Waterworks Regulations

Read letter from Mr Joseph Wacey complaining of a heap of sludge been swept on to his curtilage; and asking the Council to instruct whoever is responsible to see that it does not occur again.

Order:- That Mr Wacey's letter be referred to the Managing Committee.

Read notification from H. M. Inspector of Factories of the following acts, neglect or default at the Factories occupied by J. McShail & R. Sheane Main St Wicklow (Basticalars) W.C. Sipe out of repair & leaking (2) Insanitary Closet; and asking to be informed what action has been taken by the District Council.

Order:- Usual notice to be served to comply with Inspector of Factories requirements.



Read an application from Mr Joseph Keily, Abbey St Wicklow asking to be registered under the Dairy Acts.

Read letter from the London General Advertising Co re the advertising of Wicklow as a Summer Resort.

Order:- That the London General Advertising Co's letter be referred to the Managing Committee.

Read circular letter from Local Government Board No 11711 re the issuing of receipts

Read circular letter from Irish National Teachers Organization with reference to Civil Rights for National Teachers.

Order:- That the Irish National Teachers letter be referred to the Managing Committee.

Read letter from the Town Tenants League asking the Council to send Delegates to a Meeting to be held at the Mansion House Dublin on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 8 pm. "No action taken"

### Resolution

Proposed by C. Murray

Seconded by William M. Byrne

Resolved:- "That a strong letter be written to Lord Fitzwilliam narrating  
" the negotiations and circumstances that have taken place in  
" regard to the purchase of their houses by the poorer and  
" other Town Tenants on Lord Fitzwilliam's Estate in their  
" anxieties to purchase through the Estates Commissioners  
" or otherwise and expressing great regret that so sudden  
" and unexplained action should have taken place by  
" his Lordship's advisers, and requesting Lord Fitzwilliam  
" to have the whole matter reconsidered so that the poor  
" and other tenants could avail of the Estates Commissioners  
" to purchase their houses". The following to be appointed a committee  
" to draft letter. Mess<sup>rs</sup> C. Murray; Joseph McAnoll; David  
" Haskins; William M. Byrne.

### Notice of a Vacancy in Wicklow Urban District Council.

We the members of Wicklow Urban District Council, hereby declare the Office of an Urban District Councillor, held by Mr Patrick Fitzsimons, Abbey Street Wicklow, to be vacant, in consequence of non attendance during the statutory period, and we direct that this vacancy should be duly notified by a circular issued to each member of this Council. A copy of said circular to be posted on the outer door of the Town Hall, Wicklow.

We further direct that an Election be held on 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 1909, at the hour of 11 O'clock to fill said vacancy.

(Signed) Christopher Murray (Chairman)  
Francis B. Gregg (Three Councillors of  
David J. Haskins (Wicklow U.D. Council)

Francis W. MacBhair Clerk to the said Council.

C. Murray Chairman  
7<sup>th</sup> Dec 09



Town Hall, Wicklow,  
15<sup>th</sup> November 1909

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council was held this day in pursuance to a requisition signed by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Christopher Murray; Matthew McDonald; James Hamilton; Joseph McCarroll; J. B. Gregg; E. M. Collins

1. To co-opt a member in the room of Mr Patrick Fitzsimons.
2. To consider miscellaneous correspondence.
3. To make provision for a substitute during Mr Michael Doyle's illness.

Present

Mess<sup>rs</sup> E. M. Collins; James Dunne; James Hamilton; Thomas S. Newbold; Joseph McCarroll; M. McDonald; Selter Doolittle; W. H. Haskins; S. D. Delahunt; James Deebourcy; N. H. Haskins; Frank McDoonail; J. B. Gregg; William M. Byrne; Francis Murphy.

On the motion of Joseph McCarroll & seconded by E. M. Collins; Mr S. D. Delahunt took the Chair.

Resolutions

Proposed by Joseph McCarroll.

Seconded by James Dunne.

Resolved:- "That Mr Patrick Fitzsimons be co-opted a Member of the Wicklow Urban District Council"

Read letter from Mr John Sansing, Town Surveyor, stating that he regretted he was unable to attend the Council Meeting in consequence of having to attend an adjourned Quarterly County Meeting in Enniskerry.

Church Hill, Wicklow;  
6<sup>th</sup> November 1909

Dear Mr McDoonail;

With reference to your letter of 30<sup>th</sup> ult referring to the orders made by the Managing Committee, I beg to state

(1) I made a careful examination of the sanitary arrangements of No 2 National School, accompanied by the teacher Mr Russell, and your acting S. S. O.

which consist of two well kept privies situated about 100 feet from the School and could not, in my opinion be in any way injurious to the health of the children attending there.

(2) I am pushing on, as rapidly as I can, with the amended drainage plans which involve a considerable amount of labour.

(3) I am getting an estimate for the Old Boat House repairs, from Joseph Higgins

(4) I am getting an estimate from John Flynn for repairs to Horace Mitchell's house.

(5) I am having the lower Promenade put in temporary order, pending the visit of the Managing Committee

Faithfully Yours  
J. Sansing

Resolutions

Proposed by Frank McDoonail

Seconded by Mr J. B. Gregg

Resolved:- "That Mr Sansing be asked to report on the advisability of "Select Vestry providing ventilating shaft for drainage" of No 2 National School"

Wicklow 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 1909

Dear Sir;

I enclose the latest diagram showing the Water Supply, waste etc. On the 30<sup>th</sup> Sept last Mr O'Connor and I succeeded, by a little vigorous action, in reducing the waste to 26,000 gallons per day, the measures we then took were considered rather drastic by some members of the Council and the waste is now 40,800 gallons per day. The total supply now passing through the filters is 61,300 gallons per day making the speed of straining - I cannot call it filtering 11.4 inches per hour, while the best authorities on water-works only allow a maximum speed of 5 inches per hour, I shall therefore, unless the Council direct otherwise resume the steps taken last September and carry out the order of 8<sup>th</sup> June last.

J. Sansing.

Order:- Mr Sansing's letter be referred to a committee of the whole Council.



Read letter from Rev S. B. Johnson acknowledging the receipt of the Council's letter requesting the closing of No 2 National School; and stating that School has been closed since 17<sup>th</sup> October 09; and asking as he had <sup>the</sup> School Furniture fumigated and all the closets cleaned and whitened would the Sanitary Authority allow the School to be opened on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> instant.

Medical Officer of Health's  
Report dated 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 1909

I hereby report to you with reference to letter from Rev S. B. Johnson relating to opening of No 2 National School, I consider it necessary that this School remain closed in accordance with my report of the 18<sup>th</sup> October 1909.

James. H. Halpin.

Resolutions

Proposed by Mr Gregg  
Seconded by Peter Doolittle

Resolved:- "That Medical Officer of Health's Report be carried out."

Read Analysis of the Public Water Supply from Sir Charles A. Cameron as follows:-  
"A moderate number of micro-organisms present. These are fairly good specimens of slightly peaty waters"

Read letter from Local Government Board No 122, 982/09 remitting surcharge of £4.2.10 being amount of Poor Rates allowed by the Agent on the Bond & Strand Streets Artizans Dwellings and enclosing Sealed Order for £18.0.8 being amount of surcharge made against Mess<sup>rs</sup> James Gernon; Christopher Murray and James Hamilton.

Town Clerk stated that he had written to the parties surcharged asking them to lodge the amount to the credit of the Council.

Read letter from Local Government Board No 112, 589/09 enquiring whether their letter of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sept last, enclosing copy of a Special Report of the Auditor Mr J. A. Baker, on the accounts of the Collector of Rents of the Corporate Estate and Artizans' Dwellings of the Wicklow Urban District Council had been brought before the Council, and, if so, what action was taken thereon.

The Town Clerk stated that he had written to the Local Government Board stating that the Council had directed the Agent to give a written explanation on the Auditor's Report and that on receipt of same the matter would again come before the Council.

Estimate from Mr John Flynn for repairs to Mr Dorcas Mitchell's House, High Street at £3.5.0 was accepted

An Estimate from Mr Joseph Higgins for repairs to House Strand Street at 12/6 was accepted.

Read letter from Irish Tourist Development re advertising Wicklow as a Summer Resort.

Order:- That the Irish Tourist Development letter be referred to the Managing Committee

Read letter from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Cooper & Sons stating that the Wicklow District Gas Co Ltd had decided to promote a Bill in the ensuing Session of Parliament.

The Town Clerk stated that he had written to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Cooper for a copy of the Bill.

Read letter from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Wilkins & Burden on the subject of lighting Wicklow with Electric Lights.

Read letter from The National Charity Directory asking to be supplied with a pamphlet of the local Charity Institutions in Wicklow.

Read resolution from Edenderry Rural District Council on the subject of the Budget at present before the House of Lords.

Resolution

Proposed by William M. Byrne

Seconded by Joseph McCarroll.

Resolved:- That this Council fully endorses the action of the Irish Parliamentary Party led by John C. Redmond with respect to the Budget - having the fullest confidence in their statesmanship and profit integrity

Mr Frank McShail dissenting



Resolution

Proposed by Frank McShail.

Seconded by W. J. B. Gregg

Resolved:- "That we request the House of Lords to reject the present Budget"

The Chairman put the resolution and declared it lost, the voting being 9 against and 3 for.

Resolution

Proposed by Joseph McCarroll.

Seconded by Matthew McDonald

Resolved:- "That Mr Patrick Doyle be appointed temporary Sub Sanitary Officer during his father's illness at a salary of Fifteen Shillings per week, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Board."

Notice of Motion

To consider at next Meeting Mr Joseph McCarroll's Notice of Motion to abolish the House of Lords.

John Murray Chairman  
7 Dec 09

Town Hall, Wicklow

7<sup>th</sup> December 1909

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 confirm Finance Committee's Report.
2. To confirm report from Committee of the Whole Council.
3. To consider Town Surveyor's Report.
4. To consider Sanitary Officers Report.
5. To consider Dairy Inspector's Report.
6. To consider Waterworks Overseer's Report.
7. To consider miscellaneous correspondence.
8. To consider Mr Joseph McCarroll's "Notice of Motion" to abolish the House of Lords.

Members Present

Mr Christopher Murray Chairman in the Chair. Messrs James Hamilton; Selva Doolittle; James G. McShail; James Dunne; James Fernon; Joseph McCarroll; Frank McShail; Francis Murphy; William M. Byrne.

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

Finance Committee's Report

6<sup>th</sup> December 1909

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

Francis W. McShail	Town Court Fines, Market Sells etc	£ 5 .. 4 .. 9
Arthur Doolittle	Corporate - Cottage Rents	46 .. 14 .. 0
Thomas McNamee	Urban Rate + Water Rents	36 .. 4 .. 3
		<u>£ 88 .. 12 .. 0</u>

Giving a Credit Balance of £ 463. 10. 11.

We recommend the following payments:-