

Town Hall Wicklow
10th January 1916

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District-Council was held this day in pursuance to a requisition signed by Messrs David H. Haskins, Mr. J. O'Brien, Charles Davis, Mr. M. C. Donald, Mr. J. Butten, Francis Murphy —

To consider letter from Local Government-Board re Thomas McNamee, Poor Rate Collector, and to take immediate action in reference thereto —
To consider correspondence re Provisional Harbour Order 1916

Councillors Present

Mr. Laurence Byrne P. C. in the Chair, Messrs Francis Murphy, David H. Haskins, Thomas H. Willis, Frank McNeill, Michael John O'Brien, Charles Davis

Read letter from Local Government-Board No 959 - 7/1/16 stating that in view of Collector McNamee's admitted default his services must be terminated forthwith, but this should not be done by accepting his resignation but by formal dismissal from office — The Council should immediately proceed to remove him from office, a Special Meeting being summoned for the purpose if necessary, and report his removal to the Board without delay.

The Guaranty Society should be notified of his removal from office and of the amount of his default now admitted, and also inform them that there may possibly be a further claim on the Society which will be furnished when an investigation of his accounts has been held —

A Notice corresponding with Form 65 of the Public Bodies Order 1904 (with the second paragraph of the form of the letter omitted) should be issued to every person not recorded as having paid rates due, and notice should be given in the local press that the collector's services have been dispensed with —

Steps should be taken in due course to appoint a proper person to close the collection, and it must be understood that the conditions of appointment will be in strict accordance with the Public Bodies Order —

Read a similar letter from Mr. Joseph H. M. Canoll Solicitor

Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by Laurence Byrne resolved
"That in the Urban District-Council of Wicklow, hereby
"dismiss Thomas McNamee from the office of Poor
"Rate Collector for Wicklow Urban District in
"consequence of his neglect of duty and his admitted
"default to the sum of £15. 15. 0 Poor Rate collected by
"him, and we further direct that his Surplus be notified
"of his removal from office and the amount of Rate in his
"hands, at the same time stating there may be a further
"claim on the Society which will be furnished after
"investigation of his Accounts — (one dissentient)

Resolution

Proposed by Charles Davis Seconded by Francis Murphy and resolved
"We hereby direct that the Local Government-Board be
"informed of Thomas McNamee's dismissal from office
"as Poor Rate Collector for Wicklow Urban District and
"that steps be taken to appoint a proper person to close
"the collection, conditions of such appointment to be
"made strictly in accordance with the Public Bodies
"Order 1904 — (one dissentient)

Read letter from Captain Donellan re Provisional Harbour Order 1916 stating that Mr. Redmond and himself had an interview with Mr. Burrell who promised to look carefully into the question with a view to help if he could —

Resolutions

Proposed by Francis Murphy, Seconded by Charles Davis and resolved
 "That we hereby approve of our Town Clerk's letter to
 Captain Donelan MP and direct that the best
 "Cards of the Council be conveyed to him and Mr
 "Alan C. Redmond."

Read letter from Mr J. H. McCarroll dated 7/1/16 enclosing
 copy of a letter received from Messrs Birchanco the Parliamentary
 Agents and suggesting that a copy of same be forwarded to
 Captain Donelan MP and Sir Mathew Nathan "

Town Clerk stated that when writing to Captain Donelan
 he had forwarded copy of Messrs Birchanco's letter as
 suggested by Mr McCarroll -

Read letter from Mr Joseph H. McCarroll acknowledging receipt
 of instructions to prepare Gas Company's Lease, and that
 he had written to Mr Panimy to prepare maps for
 new lease -

Lee Byrne
 Chairman
 1/2/16

Town Hall Wicklow 24th January 1916

The Annual Meeting and day of Election of Chairman and
 Vice Chairman of the Wicklow Urban District Council
 was held this day in pursuance to notice -

1. To elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman for ensuing year.
2. To elect Finance, Managemt, Roads, Waterworks Committees
3. To elect one member to represent the Council on the Rathdown
 and Wicklow Joint Burial Board in the room of
 Mr William M Byrne -
4. To elect five members to represent the Council on the
 County Wicklow Joint Technical Instruction Committee

Special Business

5. To consider important letter from the Chief Secretary
 re Wicklow Harbour Provisional Order with regard
 to clause 12, and correspondence in reference
 thereto -
6. To appoint a Poor Rate Collector for Wicklow Urban
 District in accordance with advertisement and
 Public Bodies Order 1904 -

Councillors Present

Mr Laurence Byrne Vice Chairman, in the Chair -
 Messrs Joseph H. McCarroll, Thomas Gregory, James
 Dunne, Charles Davis, Francis D. Joyce, Mathew
 Mc Donald, Michael P. Butler, Michael J. O'Brien,
 David H. Haskins, James J. McPhail, Thomas H.
 Willis, Sylvester V. Welchman, William J. Haskins,
 Frank W. Phail, and Samuel S. Piv. =

Resolution

Proposed by Laurence Byrne, Seconded by Charles Davis and resolved
 "That the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council
 be to convey to Messrs Haskins & Co and family our
 sincere sympathy and condolence in the loss they have
 sustained through the death of their respected brother
 the Rev Robert Haskins M.A. and that a copy of this
 resolution be forwarded to the family" -

Resolution

Proposed by Charles Davis, Seconded by David H Haskins & resolved
 "That Mr Laurence Byrne be hereby elected Chairman
 of the Wicklow Urban District Council for the ensuing
 year" -

Resolution

Proposed by Joseph W Carroll, Seconded by James Dunne and resolved
 "That Mr Charles Davis be hereby elected Vice Chairman
 for ensuing year" -

Resolution

Proposed by Joseph W Carroll Seconded by Francis B. Jugg & resolved
 "That the whole Council form the several Committees
 for the ensuing year" -

Resolution

Proposed by Frank W Thail, Seconded by D. H. Haskins & resolved
 "That three members of the Council and the Chairman
 be appointed a special committee to meet every
 Monday at 7.30 pm, such members to be selected
 by rotation to act for one month, same to be made
 out by the Town Clerk" -

Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by Frank W Thail and resolved
 "That Mr Charles Davis be hereby elected to represent
 the Council on the Rathdown Wicklow Joint-Seminal
 Board" -

Resolution

Proposed by S. V. Delahunty, Seconded by Francis B. Jugg and resolved
 "That the following be hereby elected to represent the
 Council on the County-Wicklow Joint Technical Institute
 - tion Committee the Rev. Rev Canon Staples M.A. & F.
 Rev P. B. Johnson M.A. Messrs Frank W Thail Esq,
 Joseph W Carroll and Francis W Thail" -

Read letters from Captain A.C. Donelaw MP enclosing
 a letter from Mr Birrell on the subject of clause
 12 of the Provisional Harbour Order 1916 and stating
 that Mr John Redmond and Messrs Bircham & Co
 Parliamentary Agents agree with the Chief Secretary's
 suggestions

Read correspondence from Mr J. H. W. Carroll, and
 Messrs Bircham & Co re Harbour Order -

Resolution

Proposed by Charles Davis, Seconded by Samuel B. Plow and resolved
 "That the Wicklow Urban District Council having
 had before us correspondence re clause 12 of the Wicklow
 Harbour Provisional Order 1916, hereby resolves to accept the
 terms contained in the Chief Secretary's letter dated the
 11th instant and direct that steps be taken to comply
 with same" -

Resolution

Proposed by Joseph W Carroll, Seconded by Frank W Thail & resolved
 "That our Town Clerk hereby convey to Captain Donelaw
 and Mr John Redmond our best thanks for the date
 - factory manner in which they arranged with
 regard to clause 12 of the Provisional Order" -

Read letters from Local Government-Board No 959- 7/1/16
 No 1620- 11/1/16, No 1620- 20/1/16 on the subject of the dismissal
 of Thomas W. James Post Rate Collector and the appointment
 of his Successor -

Read sealed order No 1748- 17/1/16 suspending Thomas W. James
 from the discharge of the duties as Post Rate Collector -

Four applicants applied for the office of Post Rate Collector
 of Wicklow Urban District -

- Edward Kennedy New Street, Wicklow
- John Filbert Church Street, Wicklow
- Patrick Flood Fitzwilliam Square "
- Patrick Lavery Market Square "

Chairman ruled Mr Patrick Flood disqualified being
 in the retail trade and ruled that Messrs Kennedy
 and Filbert were eligible for the appointment -

Resolution

Proposed by Charles Davis, Seconded by James Dunne
 "That Edward Kennedy be appointed Post Rate Collector

Proposed by Francis D. Jeff, Seconded by James J. McShail
 "That John Filbert be appointed Collector

A vote was taken with the following result -

For Kennedy - Messrs Laurence Byrne, Joseph McFarrell,
 Thomas Jeffrey, James Dunne, Charles Davis,
 Matthew W. Donohy, M. J. Meehan, J. H. Willis (8)

For Filbert - Messrs Butler Jeff, ^{D. H.} Haskins, J. J. McShail,
 S. V. Delahunt, W. J. Haskins, S. E. Keen (7)

Mr. Frank McShail declined to vote

The Chairman declared Mr Edward Kennedy appointed, when
 the following resolution was passed thereon

Resolution

Proposed by Charles Davis, Seconded by James Dunne and resolved
 "That we the Urban District Council of Wicklow, hereby
 " appoint - Mr Edward Kennedy, Jun of New Street
 " Wicklow as Post Rate Collector for the Urban District
 " of Wicklow, Subject to the terms and conditions of the
 " Public Bodies Order 1904 and 1906 and public
 " advertisement in local papers of the 15th and 22nd
 " Instants -

Read letter from Mr J. St. W. Carroll, Solicitor, enclosing
 draft of proposed lease to the Wicklow District for the
 petition to Local Government Board, Statutory declaration
 and notice to Ratepayers of the proposal to grant said
 lease -

Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by S. V. Delahunt - resolved
 "That Petition to Local Government Board in
 " pursuance of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act
 " 1854 and Acts amending same be sealed and signed
 " granting to the Wicklow District for the lease of plot
 " of ground on the Lower Murrrough, Wicklow, containing
 " 6 1/2 perches at the annual rent of one pound per
 " annum from 29th September 1915 for a period of
 " 91 years -

Read Annual Return of Councillors attendances at Council
 Meetings during the past year -

Lee Byrne
 Chairman
 1/2/16

Town Hall Wicklow
1st February 1916

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 Rotation Committee's Report.
3. To consider Town Surveyors Report.
4. To consider Sanitary Officers Report.
5. To consider Dairy Inspectors Report.
6. To consider Waterworks Overseers Report.
7. To consider official correspondence.

Councillors Present

Mr. Laurence Byrne, Chairman, in the Chair - Messrs Thomas H. Willis, Charles Davis, Frank M. Phail, James J. M. Phail, Thomas Gregory -

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

Finance Committee's Report
27th January 1916

Your Finance Committee met this afternoon 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. Phail	Sale of gravel	£ 10. 16. 0
Same	Retty Lessing, S. A. & Town Lamb Tines	5. 2. 2
Arthur Woollett	Corporate Cottages & Grazing Rents	86. 16. 1
William M. Byrne	Township Rate	37. 8. 3
		<u>£ 140. 2. 6</u>

Giving a B^o Balance of £ 15. 13. 6

We recommend the following payments

Francis W. M. Phail	One months salary	£ 11. 18. 4
Same	Workmens wages etc	36. 3. 3
Henry J. M. Phail	One months salary	4. 6. 8
John Pausiny	do	4. 3. 4
Patrick Doyle	do less 1/- Insurance	4. 10. 8
James Nichols	do do	5. 7. 4
James Redmond	do	1. 0. 0
Edward Bonner	do Superannuation	4. 7. 6
James Finlay	do Caretaker grass Land	" 10. 0
James H. Halpin	Three months salary	1. 15. 0
Miss M. Phail	Printing & Advertising	2. 5. 0
James Redmond	Gratuity for serving 800 Voters	
	Per Rate form 65 Public Bodies	1. 0. 0
J. Langew	Income Tax Schedule W.	5. 0
		<u>£ 77. 12. 1</u>

Signed Laurence Byrne, Chairman
David H. Haskins
Charles Davis } Members of Finance Committee

Resolution

Proposed by Thomas H. Willis, Seconded by James J. M. Phail & resolved,
"That the Report of the Finance Committee be hereby confirmed and adopted and that Treasurers Advice
"Note for making payments to be several parties named therein be now signed by direction and on behalf of the Council amounting in the aggregate to the sum of £ 77. 12. 1

The Town Clerk stated that comparing the rents received up to 31st ultimo with the corresponding period of last year there was £ 220. 19. 5 less collected and lodged up in the Township Rate £ 103. 17. 8 making a total of £ 324 17/11 - There being only a credit balance on Treasurers Account of £ 15. 13. 6. Paying orders cannot be issued until there is funds to meet them -

Read letter from Mr J. H. M Carroll, Solicitor, asking that requisition to tax his bill of costs be returned to him and documents referred to in his costs of £329.5.2, so that his costs may be taxed and provision made in the coming Rate for payment, or in the alternative that the Council should borrow from themselves some of the proceeds of the sale of the Agricultural Holdings -

Resolution

Proposed by Thomas Gregory, Seconded by Mr H. Willis and resolved
 "That requisition for taxation of Mr Joseph H. M Carroll's bill of costs from August-1913 to October 1915 be sealed and signed, same not to be issued until the items are vouched by the Council's officials and Rotation Committee - Mr C. E. Barber to attend on taxation of the costs on behalf of the Council, and further that the old bill of costs be laid before said Committee with a view that our Corporate Agent, ear mark the several items referred to in his letter to Mr M Carroll dated 3rd November 1914

Rotation Committee's Report
 31st January 1916

Your Special Committee met this evening and have drawn your Town Surveyors attention to the several footpaths in the Urban District with a view to have same put in order -

We recommend that the Council advertise the old materials and chimney of Mill Building be sold, walls to be taken down to about 14 feet from the surface -

We have directed that notice be served on Mr Williams Morfau to remove the dangerous walls of house in Castle Street -

Spring Lameus Nymé Chas Frank M Thail Charles Davis David H. Haskins	}	Members of Rotation Committee
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Resolution

Proposed by James J. M Thail, Seconded by Mr Gregory and resolved
 "That the Report of Rotation Committee be hereby confirmed and adopted -

Read letter from Mr Arthur Corlitt, Corporate agent, with regards to removal of trees on Green Hill Road by the Council's workmen -

Order - "That Agents letter be referred to Rotation Committee and Council's workmen to attend"

Town Surveyors Report
 1st February 1916

The roads and streets are generally in fair condition but dirty in parts, the metalling of the main roads is nearly completed, the repairs to back road, some of which are rather worn, will be commenced this week. The unploughed footpaths require gravelling. Restoring the surface of Chemical Road entailed a lot of labour and cartage recently but it is now getting consolidated. There are some buildings and walls on South Quay and Castle St in a ruinous state and dangerous to passengers or the occupiers of the neighbouring buildings they should be taken down and secured by the Owners -

The practice of throwing out-slips on the streets is on the increase it should be stopped as it is impossible to keep the roads in a sanitary state while this goes on, some excuse may be made where no yard drainage is provided and there are several such premises in the Town, but there is no reason whatever, when there are yards and gardens at the rear such as the 18 houses on Cottage Road, why the water channel on the opposite side of the road should be made a regular dumping ground by the tenants, of course the Council's men and horses lose a lot of time keeping such places clean. I understand notice was served on two occasions to have premises in Market Square connected directly with the main sewer but the matter was not followed up, I had a complaint of the adjoining house about it

J. H. Pansing
 Town Surveyor -

Resolutions

Proposed by Frank M. Shaib, seconded by Charles Davis and resolved
 "That Town Surveyors Report be referred to Rotation
 Committee with power to deal with the items referred
 to therein —"

Sub Sanitary Officers Report
31st January 1916

I respectfully lay to report that during the past month I made my usual sanitary inspections visiting 309 premises and served 7 notices under the Public Health Act for various sanitary purposes.

The Medical Officer of Health's attention has been directed to the keeping of swine on unsuitable premises. The usual disinfecting of main drains and washing down of doctors steps was carried out satisfactorily. The scavengers were attentive to their work. During the month I had one patient removed to Fever Hospital and one premises disinfecting.

I beg to draw your attention to the water channel on Harbour Road, the pipes that carry off the water are completely choked with sand and will have to be taken up as I was unable to force the sewer rods through them. During the past month Messrs Bromlett of Kingstown have stopped the sellers coming into Wicklow Market on the top of Marlton Hill, purchasing fowl, eggs, etc, others are now following his practice, this is a very serious matter and will ultimately end in closing the Market altogether. Complaints are constantly made by the other buyers who have attended the Market since its establishment and state that if the Council do not take steps to put a stop to the above practice they will cease to come to Wicklow Market.

Patrick Doyle Sub San Officer

Order — "That our Town Clerk write to Messrs Bromlett
 " requesting them to discontinue above practice
 " and that Sanitary Sub Officers Report be referred
 " to Rotation Committee —"

Read (Dairy) Inspectors Report that licensed Cow Keepers continue to keep their premises in good order, with one exception and in that case the usual notice has been served —

Read Waterworks Overseers Report stating that the cleaning of No 2 set of filters is now finished and the catchments around Reservoir cleaned out. Water was turned off the Murrumbidgee Main whilst repairing Curb at Bridge Street.

Order — "That Waterworks Overseers Report be referred to Rotation
 " Committee —"

Read letter from Local Government Board No 4782 = 28/1/16 respecting the appointment of Edward Kennedy as Poor Rate Collector and stating that evidence of an affirmative character should be obtained in order to furnish a satisfactory reply to queries II and V of the query form enclosed herewith. I am further to inquire whether Mr. Kennedy proposes to surrender his employment as a Baker —

Town Clerk stated that Mr. Kennedy hoped to be able to furnish a satisfactory reply in the course of a few days —

Read Circular Letters re Trade Board Act 1909 minimum rates for Shint making, Sugar confectionary and Food Preserving Trade

Read letter from Local Government Board No 446. 26/1/16 enclosing copies of Army Order No 367/15 prescribing amended regulations for the issue of separation allowances —

Read letter from Captain Donald W.P. acknowledging receipt of wine and thanking the Council for resolution

Read letter from Mr. J. H. M. Carroll, Solicitor stating that Messrs Birshaw & Co had lodged with the Board of Trade Provisional Order with the consent of the Dublin Council endorsed thereon

Read letter from Mrs. Halpin, Westwomb Place, complaining that she received no notice of the water being turned off -

Read letter from Thomas W. Namee late Poor Rate-collector with regard to his default and requesting to know how it has increased to £ 21.19.10 - (Town Clerk read his reply, thanks)

Read letter from Mrs. Byrne Pound Keeper, complaining of the state of her door and windows.

Order - "That our Agent obtain an estimate for the repairs and lay same before Notation Committee -"

Read letter from Messrs. Haskins thanking the Council for resolution of condolence in their bereavement -

Read letter from Association of Municipal Authorities in Ireland enclosing four copies of annual Report and requesting payment of Subscription for the current year. £ 2.2.0

Read letter from Athlone Urban District Council forwarding copy of a resolution re Town Tenants organization (Market) Read

Read letter from Mr. J. H. M. Carroll Solicitor, enclosing copy of a letter from the Local Government Board consenting to the Council allocating £ 1000 out of the Sale of the Property relate to the foreshore protection works -

Order - "That Town Clerk reply to Local Government Board letter and to ascertain from the Irish Land Commission full particulars of the proceeds of the Sale and its investment in War Loan Stock -"

Notice of Motion

That I shall move a resolution imposing a charge on those who use the public water supply for other than domestic purposes
Syrny - Frank M. Shails

Lawrence Byrne,
Chairman
7/3/1916

From Hall Wicklow
7th March 1916

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 Clerk's Statement and Estimate of Poor Rate for year ending 31st March 1916 -
3. To consider Committee's Reports
4. To consider Tenders for building materials in Old Mill Premises on South Quay.
5. To consider Town Surveyors Report.
6. To consider Sanitary Officers Report.
7. To consider Dairy Inspectors Report.
8. To consider Waterworks Overseers Report.
9. To consider miscellaneous correspondence.
10. To consider Mr. Frank M. Shails' Notice of Motion "To impose a charge on those who use the public water supply for other than domestic purposes"

Councillors Present

Mr. Lawrence Byrne, Chairman, in the Chair, Messrs. Henry Hamilton, Thomas St. Willis, Charles Davis, David St. Haskins and Thomas Gregory -

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

Finance Committee Report
6th March 1916

Your Finance Committee met this afternoon and checked over Accounts, Books and Vouchers and found that during the past month there was lodged to your credit the following sums.

Francis Wm ^{acp} Phail - One year maintenance of New Railway Road at Bollauney	12 " 0 " 0
Arthur Doolittle - Corporate Cottages & grazing Rents	171 " 12 " 6
William Byrne - Township Rate	19 " 11 " 9
	<u>£ 203 " 4 " 3</u>

Leaving a Balance of £ 140. 9. 5

We recommend the following payments

Francis Wm ^{acp} Phail - One month's Salary	£ 11. 18. 4
Same Workmen's wages & petty cash	30. 9. 0
Henry J. Mac ^{acp} Phail - One month's salary	4. 6. 8
John Pansing Do Do	4. 3. 4
Patrick Doyle Do less 1/3 Insurance	4. 10. 5
James Nichols Do Do	5. 7. 1
James Redmond Do	1. 0. 0
Edward O'Connor Do Superannuation	4. 7. 6
James Finlay - Do Carriage of produce	10. 0
Hibernian Bank - Transfer of funds to Redemption Fund Act 184.	9. 8
L. A. Waldron - For purchase of No I Sinking Fund	207. 16. 1
Same Do No II Do	59. 9. 5
Same Do No III Do	20. 5. 5
Same Do No IV Do	9. 7. 1
C. Council - Last quarter payment of Demand	212. 5. 4
Burial Board Do Do	17. 12. 10
Technical Committee Last half of one penny Rate	13. 9. 7
School Committee Expenses for quarter ending 31. 3. 16	11. 5. 0
Wicklow Gas Co - Gas Town Hall & Value House 9/6	11. 11
M. J. Byrne - Act for Heathery	12. 6
M. W. Phail Half year rent of Stores on Smith's Quay	2. 10. 0
E. W. Lyne Annual contribution to Municipal Authorities	2. 2. 0
Wicklow Press - Advertising Times Town Market	16. 0
Wicklow News Letter Printing & Advertising	4. 19. 9
Same Do Do Poor Rate	2. 16. 10
Irish Times Advertising	7. 4
Smith Premier Co Act for Stencils	6. 0
John Gilbert Writing 800 Poor Rate Notices to Ratepayers Form 65	1. 0. 0
Joseph Darcy - Coal Account	3. 12. 2
	<u>£ 822 " 7 " 3</u>

We observe from your financial Statement-book that there is the large sum of £ 348. 8. 6 Township Rate outstanding, we therefore recommend that the Collector be requested to take immediate steps to collect in the balance of Rate -

We have gone through your Corporate Rental and find several Tenants in arrears from one to two years, your Agent should be directed to take steps at once for the recovery thereof without further notice -

Having carefully considered your Clerk's Statement and Estimate of Poor Rate for ensuing financial year we find that in consequence of an increase in the County Council Demands of £ 164. 6/8 it will be necessary to make a Poor Rate of 2/3 in the £. The above increase in the County Council Demands is an equivalent to a six penny Rate -

Signed
 Laurence Byrne Clerk }
 David H. Haskins } Members of Finance
 Thomas H. Willis } Committee
 Michael J. Butler }

Resolution

Proposed by Charles Davis, Seconded by David H. Haskins and resolved
 " That the Report of the Finance Committee be hereby
 " confirmed and adopted and that Messrs Davis
 " who 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 £ 822.
 " 7/3 "

Resolution

Proposed by Thomas H. Willis, Seconded by David H. Haskins and resolved
 " That we the Wicklow Urban District Council having considered Clerk's
 " Statement and Estimate of Poor Rate as now submitted for year
 " ending 31 March 1917 viz Three Shillings and three pence in the
 " pound, whereof one shilling and two pence is for County Charges,
 " 1/6 for Union Charges and for separate charges - Wicklow Harbour
 " 4 1/2, Arklow Harbour 2 1/2, be hereby adopted and that notice
 " of intention to make such rate be published as required
 " by Law "

Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by Thomas Gregory and resolved
 "That Collector Kennedy's Bond and Warrant be sealed
 and signed."

Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by Laurence Byrne and resolved
 "That Mr. James Redmond be appointed to collect water
 and domestic scavenging accounts on the usual terms"

Read reports from Rotation Committee dated 8th & 21st Ultimo
 and 6th Instant

Resolution

Proposed by Thomas Gregory, Seconded by Henry Hamilton and resolved
 "That Rotation Committee's Reports be hereby confirmed
 and adopted"

Town Surveyor's Report
 3rd March 1916

The roads and streets are in fair condition and the workmen
 are engaged cleaning and trimming up the edges. The chemical
 road still requires extra attention as it was greatly torn up.

I recommend that the Murrumbidgee promenade be now cleaned
 up and the chains and posts restored so as to prevent further
 car traffic on the Green Sward. Some road metal is still
 mixed with the remains of the gravel on the grass this should
 be raked off and deposited in a heap for future repairs to the
 road. The gravel might be collected along the inside margin
 of the road and allowed to remain there until disposed of.

It is satisfactory to observe that the gravel and shingle
 along the foreshore from Chemical Works to North Pier is rapidly
 accumulating, especially abreast of the new retaining wall
 where it is now level with the top of the concrete groyne, while
 some of the timber groynes higher up are completely covered and
 low water mark has ^{receded} ~~retreated~~ seaward some 20 feet. The
 accretion of the beach at the northern end of the breastwork is not so

extensive as lower down, this I think is due to the washing
 away of some of the timber groynes opposite the Chemical
 Works. It might be well if the Conference in charge of the
 foreshore maintained could make arrangements
 with Messrs Lawson to renew and re-set these northern
 groynes as soon as the weather permits, and if the Manure
 Co could see its way to place a battery of boulders or concrete
 blocks diagonally across the large gap in the sod at the
 end of coping it would prevent the sea eating its way
 behind the breastwork in future.

I beg to remind the Council that notice of motion
 for any new public works must be delivered to
 the Town Clerk at least 21 days before the next
 quarterly meeting which occurs on the 1st April
 John Pauson,
 Town Surveyor.

Order - "That paragraph in Town Surveyor's report with
 regard to the northern end of foreshore be
 sent to the Dublin Wicklow Manure Co for
 their information"

Order - "That Town Surveyor's Report be sent to the
 Rotation Committee for consideration"

Medical Officers Report No 1
 28 Feb 1916

I beg to report that I have received a letter from the Local
 Government Board of an outbreak of Small-pox at Fardiff
 and requesting that supervision be exercised over vessels
 arriving from that port at Wicklow, and I recommend
 that the Harbour Master report all arrivals to the
 Executive Sanitary Officer, that Sub Sanitary Officer
 Doyle visit and see personally, all members of the
 crew and in the event of any sign of illness have crew
 examined by Medical Officer of Health before leaving vessel.

Order - That Medical Officers of Health ^{Report} be complied
 and every precaution taken in the matter

Medical Officer of Health Report No II
6th March 1916

Thereby report that the following children are suffering from Diphtheria and have been removed to Fever Hospital (Vickers Upper Mount Row, Conroy, New St, Doyle, High St and Reid Rocky Road) -

Executive Sanitary Officer stated that the houses had been disinfected and every precaution taken to prevent the spread of the disease -

Sanitary Sub Officers Report
6th March 1916

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month I made my usual sanitary inspections visiting 182 premises and served 11 notices under the Public Health Act for various sanitary purposes. The Medical Officer of Health's attention has been directed to some Sanitary Subjects - The usual disinfecting of main drains and washing down of Docters Steps was carried out satisfactorily - The scavengers were attentive to their work - During the month I had three patients removed to Fever Hospital and three premises disinfected - As directed I had four samples of water and two samples of milk sent to Sir Charles Cameron for analysis - I beg to apply for my usual uniform clothing and overcoat -

Patrick Doyle, San Sub Officer

Order - "That San Sanitary Officers uniform be provided"

Dairy Inspectors Report
7th March 1916

The licensed Cow Keepers premises are in a clean and satisfactory condition, and most of the cows kept clean, however, there are some parties who allow their cows to get into a neglected state, I have warned them and they have promised it will not occur again -

Order - "Dairy Inspectors Report noted"

Read Waterworks Overseer Report dated 7/3/16 stating he carried out during the month the usual flushing of the water mains and served seven notices for leakage in the service mains all of which have been repaired - A mason was engaged for one week rising and relaying fire plugs, relief and air valves which were below the surface of the roads - The water in Reservoir is at overflow -

Order - "Waterworks Overseer Report noted"

Resolution

Proposed by Mr H. Willis, seconded by Henry Hamilton and resolved that -
"That - the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby approve and adopt the Bye Laws, Rules and Orders under the Petroleum Acts 1871 to 1881 as now submitted and direct that same be put in force -"

Read letter from Local Government Board No 6896 - 9/2/16 respecting the appointment of Edward Kennedy, Poor Rate Collector and stating that though the appointment does not appear to be fully satisfactory they will approve of Mr Kennedy being appointed temporary to the position, it being clearly understood that he will not directly or indirectly engage in retail trade of any kind - The question of his permanent appointment will be considered when the current year's collection is closed, his Bond should be submitted for the Board's approval -

Read letter from Local Government Board No 8374 - 17/2/16 acknowledging receipt of Collector Kennedy's Bond and stating it is in satisfactory form - The ruling of the Board is duly stamped thereon - The new warrant should be issued to the Collector covering the amount of rates remaining unpaid for the current year -

Read letter from Local Government Board No 6109 - 10/2/16 forwarding extracts from Medical Officer of Health's return Form A relating to the Wicklow Urban District and requesting that the matter receive attention -

Extracts from Medical Officers Returns Form D - Half year ended 30 September 1915 -

1. The Common Lodging Houses in the District are unimproved.
2. Some of the back streets and water channels might be kept cleaner.

Order - That Medical Officers Returns be forwarded to Rotation Committee for consideration and report -

Read circular letter from Local Government Board No 5680 - 3/2/16 enclosing copy of regulations re Trades Board Act - 1909 -

Read letter from Local Government Board No 69178 - 4/1/1916 forwarding copy of an order in Council providing payment of certain officers in respect of their attendance for the Revision of Jurors Lists at Courts during the year 1915 - also copy of Parliament and Registration Act - 1916, Ch 100 5 & 6 His Majesty's - Read circular letter No 6022 - 14/2/16 dealing with the Parliament and Registration Act - 1916 -

Read letter from Commissioner of Valuation No 4926 - 29/2/16 forwarding revised Valuation Lists for 1916 -

Read letters from Mr J. H. McFarroll and Messrs Richman re Wicklow Harbour Order 1916 viz Local Government Board state no borrowing powers should be granted for the purpose of maintenance and repairs - that a limit should be placed on the rates authorised to be levied under the Order - Estimate of annual cost of maintenance and repairs of the works - what portion of the Treasury grant of £6000 has been received

Resolution

Proposed by David H. Harkin, seconded by Charles Davis and resolved
 "That the Wicklow Urban District Council agree that no borrowing powers be granted for maintenance and repairs, that the limit of maintenance should not exceed £100 per annum - To be met to supply Valuation of Urban District and amount produced by one penny Rate -

Read letter from Mr D. R. Balfour Esq. Ironby Hall, Drogheda, forwarding a certificate from the Royal Humane Society to be presented to Mr. Keelin of Castle St. Wicklow, for his gallantry in saving the life of a woman in Drogheda from drowning and asking that it be presented publicly -

Order - That Mr. Keelin's certificate be framed and held over until he returns to Wicklow -

Read letter from the Irish National Foresters inviting the Council to take part in Church Parade on St. Patrick's Day -

Order - That Council do attend Church Parade of the Foresters on St. Patrick's Day -

The Foresters was granted use of Town Hall for their Annual dance on St. Patrick's night -

Read letter from Messrs Buck & Bookshott asking the Council to accept a surrender of the lease of yard on South Quay and stating it was the duty of the local authorities and police to protect the property -

Order - That Messrs Buck & Bookshott's letter be referred to the Rotation Committee for consideration and report -

Read letter from Mr. William Morgan with regard to the dangerous state of walls in East St. and house adjoining and stating he was willing to level them only the Tenant is a leaseholder and therefore had no power to do so

Read letter from Messrs Bromitt & Sons, Ringstown, with regard to their stopping cars outside the district coming to the Market

Order - That Messrs Bromitt's letter be referred to the Rotation Committee for consideration and report -

Read letter from the Department of Technical Instruction Dublin, acknowledging receipt of the names of the Members appointed on the County Wicklow Joint Technical Instruction Committee for ensuing year.

Read letter from Irish Employment Bureau and Conference of Irish Colleges - noted

Mr. Frank McPhail's "Notice of Motion" to impose a charge on those using the water supply for other than domestic purposes was moved by Mr. Thomas H. Willis and failed to obtain a seconder, hence the motion fell through -

Laurence Byrne
Chairman
4/4/1916

Town Hall Wicklow
27th March 1916

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District-Council was held this evening in pursuance to a requisition signed by Messrs Laurence Byrne, Matthew W. Donald, Francis Murphy, David H. Haskins, Thomas H. Willis & Michael J. Butten

1. To make a Poor Rate at 3/6 in the £ for ensuing year.
2. To consider Financial Business.
3. To Confirm Committee's Report's
4. To appoint a deputation to wait on General Freund with a view to Wicklow being chosen as a training Centre for Officers Cadet-Corp.
5. To consider official correspondence.

Councillors Present

Mr. Laurence Byrne, Chairman in the Chair Messrs Thomas Gregory, Thomas H. Willis, Michael J. Butten, David H. Haskins, Nicholas H. Haskins, Charles Davis, William J. Haskins.

Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by Thomas H. Willis resolving
 "That we make a Poor Rate for year ending 31st March 1917, on all
 "property situated in the Urban District of Wicklow rateable under
 "the provisions of the Local Government (Ireland) Act-1898, and Acts
 "incorporated therewith. A Poor Rate or collectable as such of
 "Three Shillings and three pence in the pound including for County
 "charges 1/2, for Union charges 1/6, and for separate charges viz=
 "Wicklow Harbour 2 1/2 in the pound, and another Harbour 2 1/2, and
 "that notice be hereby given that the Rate Books are now
 "deposited in the office of the Council and may be inspected
 "by any person affected thereby, and that the said Poor Rate
 "shall be payable in two instalments on 1st April and on 1st
 "of October, 1916, and that notice of having struck said Rate
 "be published as required by Law."

Finance Committee's Report
27th March 1916

Your Finance Committee met this afternoon and checked over Accounts, Books and vouchers and found that during the month there was lodged to your credit the following sums.

Francis Wm ^{ac} Phail. All Government recoupment of	}	32. 6. 5
Harbour Rates		
Same Balance of grant-in aid Sanitary Salaries	}	13. 4. 8
Same " Estate Duty Grant		
Same Contribution from Railway Co for main	}	40. 14. 11
- tenants of New Railway Road		
Arthur Coolidge Corporative Rents		45. 7. 3
William Byrne - Township Rate		119. 1. 10
		<u>£ 267. 15. 1</u>

£ Balance per Bank Book £ 85. 10. 11

We recommend the following payments

Francis Wm ^{ac} Phail One months Salary		£ 11. 18. 4
Same Sp on £32.6.5 clerical work re Harbour Rates		1. 12. 4
Same Workmens wages & Petty cash		28. 16. 4
Henry J. W ^{ac} Phail One months Salary		4. 6. 8
John Pansing Do		4. 3. 4
Patrick Doyle Do less 1/- Insurance		4. 10. 8
James Nichols Do Do		5. 7. 4
James Redmond Do		1. 0. 0
Edward Connor Do Superannuation		4. 7. 6
James H. Halpin Three Mo Salary		1. 15. 0
James Finlay Caretaker of grass Land		" 10. 0
David Tyndall 18 weeks Scavenging Doctors Steps		" 18. 0
Ham & Baker Act for rubber caps		1. 13. 7
John Byrne Insured Tim Stals		1. 0. 0
Thomas Jellittin Do		" 8. 0
John Limited Poor Rate Funds		" 5. 6
Joseph Pinn Act for foods supplies		2. 11. 4
Joseph Darcy " Coals		1. 0. 10
Mrs Anne Kelly Compensation for bedding		" 2. 6
" Anne Darcy Do Do		" 4. 6
S. V. Delahunt Act for foods supplies		4. 11. 4
Miss M. Phail Printing & Advertising		1. 13. 6
		<u>£ 82. 16. 7</u>

Having examined your Town Agents Accounts we recommend that the following items in Corporative Rental be struck off as irrecoverable Bay View Cottages £ 47. 12. 6, Town Hall apartments £ 22. 10/-, Mrs Haskins holding Castle St. £ 1. 11. 0 total £ 71. 13. 6 Arizian Dwellings, Convent Road, Bond & Strand St. Houses £ 35 off being £ 7. 1. 6 irrecoverable and £ 28. 7. 2 for vacant houses during the years 1914 & 1915.

Signed
Lawrence Byrne Clerk } Members of Finance Committee
David H. Haskins }
Thomas H. Willis }

Resolution

Proposed by Charles Davis, seconded by Thomas Gregory and resolved
"That the Report of the Finance Committee be hereby
"Confirmed and adopted and that Treasurers Advice
"Not to be made for 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
"£ 82. 16. 7"

Committees Report-22nd March 1916

Your Rotation Committee met on Monday and Wednesday 20th and 23rd Instants, and having spent a considerable time in perusing your Solicitors bill of costs taking each item in detail they to report as follows -

1. That with regard to the items in the above connected with the Town Agent which had been queried re instructions, we are of opinion that the Town Agent's signed authorisation leaves us no option but to pass these several items, however, we are strongly of opinion no such authorisation should have been given -
2. That in connection with the items enumerated re Wicklow Gas Company's Bill, we repudiate same, as no written authority was ever given to the Solicitor to take any Parliamentary action in this matter -
3. That with regard to items 621 to 626, which are charged for advertising taken place in March 1913, the dates are incorrect, as the trans-action in question occurred in Oct-1904 (11 years ago)

- 4. That we recommend that our Solicitors (Messrs Jomey & Barber) be instructed to demand at the taxation of Mr W. Carrolls bill of costs the written authority of this Council for the various items in the said bill of costs.
- 5. That we are of opinion that a large amount of items contained in the bill of costs are precluded by the Statute of limitations and we consider those charges should not be recognised -
- 6. That with regard to the Solicitor's application for certain documents in connection with items 12, 28, 47, 51, 528, 624, 479, 486, & 493 in his bill of costs, we are of opinion that, as Mr W. Carroll should as a matter of business have the desired information already in his possession, it is not now incumbent on our Town Clerk to supply the documents asked for.
- 7. That we recommend that in future no legal business of any description be entrusted to any Solicitor without a formal resolution, in writing, having been first duly passed by the Urban Council, specifically detailing the legal work to be done -

Committee adjourned to Friday 24th Inst to go into Mr W. Carrolls last bill of costs

Signed Lawrence Byrne Chmn }
 Thomas H. Willis } Members of Rotation
 David H. Haskins } Committee

Committee's Report - 22nd March 1916

An adjourned Meeting of your Rotation Committee was held on above date when your Solicitor's bill of costs from August-1st 1913 to end of October 1915 was gone into in detail -

We find contained therein certain items which are not payable by this Council, but by the Tenants or other parties concerned and the payment of such by the Council we have queried.

With regard to the legal costs incurred in connection with the sale of certain Agricultural Holdings on the Corporate Estate to the tenants thereof, we desire definite and specific information as to whether the costs set out in the above mentioned bill of costs covers all legal charges of every nature whatsoever connected with those transactions -

Signed - Lawrence Byrne Chmn }
 David H. Haskins } Members of Rotation Committee
 Thomas H. Willis }

Resolution

Proposed by Nicholas Haskins, Seconded by Thomas Gregory & resolved
 "That the Reports of the Rotation Committee dated
 " 22nd & 24th March 1916 re Solicitor's bills of costs
 " be confirmed and adopted -

Committee's Report - 22nd March 1916

Your Committee have had before them a tender from Mr Tom Kane to supply new cisterns to the Town Hall and as your Town Surveyor is of opinion that the tender is reasonable we recommend its acceptance -

We have requested your Town Surveyor to inspect the houses in which infectious disease has occurred and to examine the drainage and report the sanitary arrangements in each individual case -

Owing to no records having been kept of the water Meters by the late Collector, Mr Pansing has kindly undertaken to accompany Mr Redmond, and read the Meters of the consumption of water in each case, so that the accounts may be collected before the end of the financial year -

Complaints have been received from householders of the inconvenience caused for the want of water. Your Town Surveyor at once took the matter in hand and ascertained that the cause was owing to one of the filters being clogged through heavy work, when this was discovered the water was immediately turned on to the spare filter, and the supply is now restored -

Signed - Lawrence Byrne Chmn }
 Thomas H. Willis } Members of Committee
 David H. Haskins }

Resolution

Proposed by Charles Davis, Seconded by N. H. Haskins and resolved
 "That Committee's Report dated 22nd Instant be
 " hereby confirmed and adopted.