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 on the Murrough was reported and it was agreed to invite applications by Posters from prospective tenants at the same rent as heretofore the Council to consider same at the adjourned meeting on Saturday the 10th inst and recommend a tenant to the County Manager.

Item 3 (Fuel Scheme)

Letter dated the 2nd of October 1942 from the County Manager enclosing copy of letter to him of the 1st idem from the Department of Local Government outlining a Government Scheme in aid of the provision of Fuel for necessitous people in Urban Areas and notifying an interim allocation by way of Grant in aid of £120.

Order :- Town Clerk to submit a Scheme to County Manager Correspondence and figures dealing with (a) the offer of an Oak wood at Barndarrig and (b) the purchase of growing timber from the Forestry Dept. at Ballygannon was read and the Council agreed that it would be uneconomic to proceed with the purchase of the wood and also agreed that the transport etc charges of the timber from Ballygannon be paid to Mr Haughton and to the Railway Company and to Edward Doyle --the payment of the account for the timber to be adjourned.

Copies of letters from the Town Clerk to the Forestry Department dated the 25/9/42 and 2/10/42 and dealing with the needs of the Town for Fuel Timber and the loss the Council were faced with in respect of the Ballygannon Timber purchased from that Department were read and approved of.

A written offer of the 1st of October 1942 from Edward Dickenson to supply the Council with 30 tons of Timber and deliver same at Wicklow for 25/- per ton was considered. The Town Clerk stated that he had interviewed Daniel Jameson the tenant of the saw-Mill yard at South Quay and had reached a provisional arrangement with him by which he would let the yard to the Council on a monthly tenancy at the rate of £1 per month or 5/- per week and that he would also ~~give~~ contract to give his services and plant for cutting the timber in the yard at the rate of 3/- per ton.

Order :- That the offer of Edward Dickenson be accepted subject to his supplying suitable timber and delivering same to Jameson's yard at South Quay for the price, he to be asked to quote for returning the sawn blocks to the Council's yard at North Quay. The arrangement made by the Town Clerk with D. Jameson is approved of.

Arising out of the system of retailing the Fuel the County Manager stated that he did not think that the arrangements were satisfactory and he feared that the Rate Collector who was engaged on the Scheme might be neglecting his duties as Rate Collector in consequence: the County Manager referred to the figures of the collection and to the Council's overdraft,

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and it was ordered :-

That the Rate Collector (Edward Kennedy) be warned that unless there is a marked improvement in the Rate Collections before the 31st of October 1942 the question of relieving him of his duties in connection with the Fuel Scheme be considered by the County Manager.

At this stage too the County Manager referred to questions arising out of the Public Lighting service and the necessity for economy in same in order to keep within the amount of money provided for same and he referred to a memorandum he had obtained from the Town Clerk on the subject and it was ordered that the Councillors should consider the position and the lights in operation and meet on Saturday the 10th inst and examine the Map of the existing lights and recommend, if possible, a reduction in their number. It was also ordered that the County Manager should take into consideration the provision of certain lights on the Quays formerly maintained by the Harbour Commissioners.

At this stage the County Manager retired from the Meeting

Item 4.

Letter (H.15106/5/42) of the 14th September 1942 from the Department of Local Government & P. Health approving of the Allotment Scheme for 1942 Season and the Economic Rent of 13/6 and the reduced rent of 1/- per plot.
 Read

Letter H.15106/4/42 of the 25/9/42 notifying payment of a grant of £296 : 19 : 4 from the Department of Local Government as recoupment of expenses for the Scheme for 1942 Season.

A subsequent explanatory memorandum of the 29/9/42 stated that the recoupment provided for 2/6 per plot for remuneration for the Town Clerk and 2/6 per plot for any mapping done by the Town Surveyor. As to the like fees for plots for the employed persons they could be paid also but would have to be met out of Revenue: there were 158 allotments for unemployed and 51 for "Employed" persons

Order :- The Council recommend payment of fees for both classes of allotments at the rate mentioned.

The Council heard the Town Clerk's suggestions re Scheme for next season and agreed with him in recommending to the County Manager the change of Field A. (24 plots) to the field broken last year opposite the Golf links and the change of Field C. at Ballynerrin and possibly Field D. also to Field at Bally-
 -guile now let to P. Brien for allotments 11 months. The abandoned fields to be now put up for Oat crops for 1943 and to be laid down in grass.

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The Town Clerk reported that he had received Posters from the Department of Agriculture in connection with ^{next} ~~last~~ year's Scheme and had same posted in prominent positions in the town. He referred also to the necessity for having early ploughing done of land now in grass, for having a fixed date for closing applications for plots, for having rules as to cultivation and as to penalty for selling produce of plots. He also referred to the difficulty of getting manures.

It was ordered that the Town Clerk arrange those matters with the County Manager, the Council agreeing to the suggestions.

Item 5. (School Meals)

A report was made of the provisions in stock and the provisions still wanted. It was recommended that the Scheme begin in the course of a fortnight and that the potatoes grown for the Scheme be taken out on Thursday afternoon the 15th of October 1942 and that the Town Clerk solicit all the voluntary aid possible. The Scheme to be run on the same lines as heretofore.

Item 6.

The application of Mr A. Finlayson for Lease of the premises in question was adjourned until Saturday the 10th of October 1942, to give an opportunity of having the place viewed by Councillors and others.

Item 7.

Applications ruled on

Item 8 (Reports of officers)

Reports were received from the Rent Collector, Veterinary Inspector, Waterworks Overseer and Town Sergeant and the following orders were made on the Town Sergeant's report :-

Re :- Firebrigade :- Council consider that men on the Council's panel be not attached to any other ~~war~~ time service ~~unit~~ but otherwise would welcome co-operation with the L.S.F. Council recommend that the men on their panel be given an opportunity of practising with the Air R. P. equipment.

Item 9 (Correspondence)

The following letters from the Department of Local Government & P. Health were read and ruled on as shown :-

Letter (L.4417/5/42) of the 3rd of September 1942 with reference to the proposal of the Council to guarantee a Loan for the Harbour Commissioners to be applied by the latter as their contribution towards a Scheme for cost of repair of Quay Walls and stating that the Minister was not aware of any statutory authority enabling the Council to act in the manner proposed.

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~~Letter (G.1198/18/42) of the 19th September 1942~~

Order :- That the Town Clerk suggest the work as a work that could be carried out as an unemployment scheme and therefore coming within a category for which the Council might raise money.

Letter (G.1198/18/42) of the 19th September sanctioning overdraft up to a limit of £2000 and calling attention to the necessity for improving the Rate and Rent Collection.

Read

Circ Letter No. 83/42 of the 2nd Oct 1942 dealing with the necessity for economising in paper in the matter of the Vaccination Regulations 1942.

Read

Letter C.P.137/42 from Combined P. Section re a Contractor on official List (AA. Russell) and his removal from list.

Read

Circ. RU/209/6 of the 5th September 1942 dealing with holidays for workers on Relief of Unemployment Schemes

Read

Notification of the attendance of the Revising Valuer in Wicklow as and from the 22nd of September 1942.

Read

Letter from Messrs Haskins & Son Ltd re the supply of water for their sprinkling apparatus in their Mill at Bond Street : also Town Surveyor's letter of the 19/9/42 on same

Adjourn for attendance of Town Surveyor

Letter from Fr Clarke for permission to take out of the Town Hall and copy some old documents suitable in connection with a history of Wicklow which he is compiling

Order : Council agree to give documents if available on Fr Clarke's undertaking for their safe return

Letter from Town Surveyor recommending the purchase from George Condren of 58 fathoms of chain suitable for use in the repair of Foreshore.

Refer to County Manager

Supplementing the order made by the Council on the 29th of May 1941 it was PROPOSED by Councillor M. McMahon, SECONDED by Councillor C.W. Hurson

That the arrears of rents on Artisan's Dwellings submitted by the Collector as irrecoverable (principally due to vacancies) and amounting to £8 on the 31/3/40 be struck off as irrecoverable.

The Rate Collector submitted claims for stamps for receipts in respect of 1942 1941/42 (£8:19:11) and 1943/43 (£3:1:4) and same were referred to Town Clerk and County Manager for settlement

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Letter of application from the Council's men asking for renewal of suits of Oil skins as they badly needed same.

Order : Recommend that they be given , to be supplied from Official List

Letter dated the 5th of October 1942 from the Secretary of the Wicklow Branch of the Labour Party asking the Council to join in their protest against low wages while the cost of the necessities of life is rising

Like Resolution from the Dungarvan Urban District Council passed by that body on the 11th September 1942

Order : Copy of the protest to be forwarded to the Minister for Local Government,

Certain accounts presented for payment and other claims for payment were referred to the County Manager.

It was agreed to adjourn the meeting until 12 noon on Saturday the 10th of October 1942 and that Councillors should examine the lights on Friday the 9th of October 1942 at 9 p.m.

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Town Clerk

Confirmed

.....*John O'Leary*.....CHAIRMAN.

Minutes of Monthly (November) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on the 3rd of November 1942 , the following Notice being sent to each member and The Manager on the 31st October 1942 :-

31. 10. 1942

Dear Sir,

The Monthly meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held at the Town Hall Wicklow on Tuesday the 3rd prox at the hour of 7.30 p.m. when the following matters will be under consideration :-

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on the 6th of October 1942
2. Examination of any Orders made or business transacted since 6/10/42
3. Consideration of the Fuel Scheme and Fuel Supplies
4. School Meals Scheme --209 children seeking admission this year as against 182 last year : average attendance last year 119.
5. Application (adjourned) of Mr A. Finlayson for Lease of premises at South Quay Wicklow
6. Application of Mr James D. Haughton for Lease of additional plot of land near his house and garden at Dunbur
7. The present position with regard to the Transfer of the business or undertaking of the Wicklow Harbour to the Council and any special instructions as to same
8. (a) Correspondence and (b) Reports of Officers & Rate Collection
9. Free Milk applications .(10) Any matters of urgency or that stand adjourned

You are requested to attend said Meeting

Yours faithfully

J. McGrath, Town Clerk

To :- Each Member, Wicklow U.D.C. & The County Manager

PRESENT :- Councillors J. O'Leary (Presiding), C. W. Hudson, J. Everett F.D.,

R. B. Haskins, M. McMahon, W. Clarke, J. O'Connor and J. Clarke

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

Item 1.

Minutes read and confirmed .

Item 2.

Manager's Orders were read and discussed .

Item 3.

It was pointed out that since the 3rd of November 1942 there were now two Fuel Schemes in operation in the Town i.e. the ordinary Scheme that was in operation since November 1941 and the new Government-aided scheme in respect of which there were 66 applicants at the Town Hall that afternoon. The Town Clerk reported that if the confusion and noise that existed that day

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were to continue, the applications would not be dealt with as they should and there would be no hope of working in the office at all.: he requested ~~whether~~ directions as to whether the two schemes were to continue, what arrangements were to be made as to yard, help in the yard and supplies. He submitted a statement showing the amount of Fuel Timber taken in from the arrangements ~~arrangements~~ with Edward Dickenson and Daniel Jameson and the cost up to the 24th October 1942 and indicated that there were about 20 purchasers per day under the ordinary Fuel Scheme. The amount of Timber taken into Council's yard in ready state for sale in cut blocks up to 24th October was 14 tons 8 cwt and it was available for sale at a cost to the Council of £1 :12:- per ton: he had hopes that the supply would be kept up.

Recommended :-

- (a) That both Schemes ~~be~~ continued, old scheme to be interfered with as little as possible
- (b) Same yard to be used for both Schemes for the present
- (c) Shed in yard to be made available for necessitous scheme
- (d) Other details to be arranged by Town Clerk and County Manager

Item 4.

The Town Clerk reported on the arrangements made in connection with the Scheme that it had begun on Monday the 2nd Nov. 1942 and that 209 children were listed from the Schools and not ~~not~~ reduced by the ladies Committee who met on Thursday 29th October 1942 (Present :- Miss Fitzsimmons, Miss Kavanagh, Mrs Everett, Mrs Painting, Mrs McCall, Mrs Culhane and Brother Gregory, Matthew Olohan and John Olohan). The examination of the lists was deferred to a meeting of the Council to be held in Committee to be held on Thursday the 5th Nov. 1942 at 7.30 p.m.

Item 5.

After a lengthy discussion on this matter and the possibility of using the premises for one or other or both of the Fuel Schemes, it was decided to offer the premises to Mr Finlayson at a Rent of £10 per annum on a repairing Lease for 75 years.: Mr Finlayson to be requested to say as soon as possible whether he would accept or not and in the event of his accepting the Engineer to prepare specification and estimate for ~~the~~ making the Council's yard at Quarantine Hill safe and suitable for a Fuel Yard.: the iron fittings to be advertised for sale.

Item 6.

Letter of the 29th of October 1942 from James D. Haughton requesting additional ground for his plot at Dunbur.

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Order :- Mr Haughton to indicate his requirements in more detail and to say if the corner of land to the rear of his premises as pencilled by the Town Surveyor would meet his requirements

Item 7.

The Town Clerk reported that as he had ~~x~~ inquiries from Councillors as to the present position of this matter (viz Wicklow Harbour) he thought it proper that he should put the matter on the Agenda for further discussion and report from him. He reported that all the papers in connection with the matter were now in the hands of Counsel whom he was authorised to employ to advise on and settle the draft Provisional Order sent by the Department of Industry & Commerce: he asked the Council to consider carefully and finally the advisability of taking over the Harbour as this would probably be their last opportunity of doing so. He advised that, having regard to all the circumstances, it ~~was~~ would be a better course to have the Order made transferring the Harbour to the Councillors for the time being of Wicklow Urban District Council with power to the Council to contribute to the maintenance from ~~the~~ rates and other revenues up to a limited amount.

A lengthy discussion followed in which the County Manager took part and inquired from the Council if they were fully aware of what liabilities in the matter of Loans and debts and cost of future maintenance they were proposing to take over and added that he wished to have it on record that he warned the Council against taking over, at least for the present, the burden of the Wicklow Harbour Undertaking.

The Town Clerk pointed out that the Council had already resolved to take over the Harbour and hence the draft Order as sent by the Department of Industry & Commerce and his reason for asking them to reconsider was to ascertain whether the Council wished to take over the Harbour with or without qualifications or limitations; the draft Order did not provide for any qualifications or limitations.

PROPOSED BY Councillor R. B. Haskins, SECONDED BY Councillor W. Clarke and passed (Councillor Joseph O'Connor dissenting) :-

That it is the view of this Council that they should take over The Wicklow Harbour without qualification

Item 8 (Correspondence)

Letter from the Electricity Supply Board dealing with the Public Lighting and agreeing to discontinue the Lighting as and from 11.30 p.m. and to give lighting from 7.30 a.m. to 8 a.m. instead and agreeing to make allowance

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for the two Public Lights found not to be lighting but charged for , agreeing to make the necessary alterations and ~~changes~~ suggested but stating that it was now expected that there would be no further alterations within the contract term.

Letter from ^{Town} ~~County~~ Surveyor dated the 28th of October 1942 suggesting that the existing light at the ~~Exchists~~ Church Street-Bachelors' Walk corner of Church Street be removed to the standard on the Church Street--Wentworth Place corner.

It was pointed out that the lamps put into operation on the Quays would be of no value for the fisherman unless they were in operation all night as they were maintained heretofore by the Harbour Board.

Order :- Recommended that the Town Surveyor's suggestion be adopted and that the Harbour lights be maintained until 8 a.m. --if the Electricity Board agree.

At this stage the County Manager retired from the Meeting .

from Department of Local Government
Letter /G. 1198 /20/42 of the 27th October 1942 sanctioning overdraft of £1600 limit to the 31st of October 1942 .

Read : Town Clerk to arrange for overdraft to meet the requirements for November

Letter from the Department of Local Government & P. Health (T.A.260/132) dated the 16th October 1942 in reply to Town Clerk's letter of the 13th idem asking for renewal of overdraft up to £330 on the Fuel Scheme and requesting particulars and prescribing conditions for further applications of the nature -e.

PROPOSED BY Councillor C.W. Hudson, SECONDED BY Councillor R.B. Haskins and passed :-

That the Department of Local Government & P. Health be requested to issue authority for Temporary Borrowing on the Fuel No.1 (Turf) account up to a limit of £330 , the authority to extend over the period to the 1st of December 1942.

Letter(H. 23096) from the Department of Local Government & P. Health agreeing to the taking out of ranges and charging the tenants at the rate of 3d per week for the cost of so doing.

Read.

As it was 11 p.m. at this stage , it was unanimously decided to adjourn the meeting to Thursday the 5th November 1942 at 7.30 p.m.

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.....CHAIRMAN

Minutes of Adjourned Monthly (November) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Thursday the 5th of November 1942 pursuant to order at Meeting of the 3rd November 1942 .

Present :- Councillors J. O'Lochan (Presiding) , W. Clarke, R.B. Haskins and C. W. Hudson

Item 8 (adjourned : correspondence).

The following letters and communications from the Department of Local Govt. were submitted and ruled on as shown :-

Letter (G.1198/20/42) of the 27th of October 1942 giving the necessary authority for Temporary Borrowing up to a limit of £1,600 up to the 31st of October 1942 . The amount overdrawn to date was £1270 .

Order :- Town Clerk to make the necessary arrangements for payments falling due in November.

Letter(T.A. 260/130) dealing with the Town Clerk's letter of the 13th Oct. 1942 asking for renewal of overdraft up to a limit of £330 for Turf account

Order :- PROPOSED by Councillor C.W.Hudson, Seconded by Councillor R.B. Haskins and passed

That the Department of Local Government be requested to issue authority for Temporary Borrowing on the Fuel No.1 (Turf) account up to a limit of £330 the authority to extend over the period to the 1st December 1942.

Circ. Letter 119/42 of the 28th of October 1942 dealing with the Rating of Divided Hereditaments and the provision made for same in the Local Government Act 1941.

Read.

Letter (C.P.1 57/42 of the 23rd October 1942 enclosing Copy of the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Regulations 1942

Read.

Letter (13,126 F) of the 20th October 1942 from the Forestry Division of the Department of Lands in reply to Town Clerk's letter of the 26th of September 1942 and intimating that local sales of firewood blocks will be resumed at Rathdrum Forest in the near future and that it should then be possible to obtain supplies at convenient intervals the same as last year.

Read and noted. ~~with effect~~ : Town Clerk to keep in touch with Rathdrum sales.

Reply from 'Bus Dept of the G.S.Rys. dated the 3rd November 1942 promising attention to the Council's request re change of stopping places for Buses at Wicklow.

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Letter from Messrs Haskins & Son Ltd dealing with the provision of adequate pressure of water for the ~~the~~ Sprinkling Apparatus installed by them in their Mill at Bond Street and suggesting the expenditure of a sum of roughly £300 to provide a new 6" Main from Valve house at Fitzwilliam Square to far side of Stone Bridge to meet the New Main already installed there at Messrs Haskins ~~xxx~~ request at a cost of £118

PROPOSED by Councillor W. Clarke, SECONDED by Councillor C.W. Hudson and passed

That papers be submitted to the Town Surveyor and County Manager for decision with recommendation from the Council that a new Water Main be laid to meet the requirements

Letter from the Public Assistance Office of the County Council dated 7th of October 1942 offering to pay £10 for Water for County Hospital and £6 for the County Fever Hospital every year.

Accepted

Letter dated the 29th of October 1942 from Mr E. J.H. Hopkins Solicitor on behalf of Mrs Temple Manning asking for a revision of valuation of her premises Wentworth House Wicklow because of deterioration due to erection of two cinemas and of the noise, smoke and smuts from the Abbey Cinema.

Send up with Annual Revision List.

Statement submitted by Town Clerk showing the yield of potatoes from the 1½ acres of Tillage promoted by the Council at Dunbur as follows :-

	Tons	cwts	qrs
Large	3	10	-
Middle	2	13	-
Small	-	18	-

and pointing out the various contributions made by way of voluntary assistance in the matter.

Order :- Advertise for disposal of small potatoes at 4/- per cwt : the Council expressing ~~the~~ on behalf of the public and the children attending school meals, their appreciation of the work done and assistance rendered by the several parties.

Letter dated the 19th of October 1942 from Fr. Ml. Clarke thanking the Council for facilitating him with the loan of old records for use on his book and returning ~~and~~ receipt and undertaking in connection with same.

Read

Tender of Peter Lalor to supply milk for School Meals at 2/2 per gallon

Recommend acceptance

The lists of Children submitted by Convent & Brothers Schools were examined and were reduced by 33 i.e. 18 and 15.

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The following applications for houses were under consideration :-

- (a) Patrick Kelly 7 Glenview Road, renewing a former application by him
- (b) Mrs Mary Kelly of 6 Dunbur Terrace cottages seeking a transfer to No. 4 same Terrace about to be vacated by Mrs Flowers and family
- (c) James Kehoe of 12 St Laurence's Rd, recently married in his mother's house (Council house) asking for house at Ballynerrin
- (d) John Hendley renewing application for either a house with low rent or alternatively for house at Dunbur Terrace at high rent

Order : Recommend that when house at Dunbur Terrace becomes vacant that it be offered to John Hendley.

List of clothing destroyed by S.S.O. on the orders of Dr O'Connor M.O.H. at

No. 1 St Kevin's Terrace valued by S.S.O. at £6 11 :- .No claim yet made.

Read

On reconsideration of the Scheme of Works prepared and passed for the Unemployment Grant and Town Surveyor's letter of 3/11/42 it was again confirmed that the Footpaths in Glenview Road, part of footpath in Wentworth Place and the remainder of Fitzwilliam Road be done in concrete and that the balance be spent on opening up Road from Black Castle Field to Summer Hill.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Reports were received from the Town Sergeant, Waterworks Overseer, Rent Collector and Veterinary Inspector. The Report of the Waterworks Overseer showed that Reservoir was very low and pointed out that pressure on lower levels would have to be reduced during night and ~~that~~ asked for permission to turn off water where leaks are not attended to promptly.

His report was approved and permission asked for was granted.

It was ordered that the Town Clerk bring to the notice of the Garda the serious pilfering being carried on in vegetable gardens and plots.

Report of Rate Collection showed that the Collector had improved his collection on his combined warrants over corresponding date last year by 4.2%. ~~His~~ The Collector's written application for Poundage on his collection of Poor Rate (£2294 out of £4256) and his application for charge of issuing free fuel dockets was considered. and it was recommended that poundage be paid and that appointed as administrative officer of the Free Fuel Scheme as prepared by Town Clerk.

It was recommended that the house at Castle Street occupied by Mrs Verrol and family and owned by Reps. Hamilton be inspected by C.M.O. Health and Town Surveyor.

CONFIRMED

.....Chairman

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 1st of DECEMBER 1942 the following notice being sent to each member on the 27th of November 1942 :-

27. 11. '42

Dear Sir,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 1st of December 1942 at the hour of 7.30 p.m. at the Town Hall Wicklow when consideration will be given to matters arising under the following headings :-

1. Minutes of Meetings held on the 3rd of November 1942 & 5th Nov. 1942
2. Business transacted since the 3rd of November 1942 as per Manager's Order Book
3. Application of Messrs D. H. Haskins & Son Ltd for an improvement Scheme for water at their Mill at Bond Street and Town Surveyor's Report thereon
4. Housing.
5. Fuel Scheme
6. Allotments Scheme
7. Replies to offers of Leases made to Messrs A. Finlayson and J. D. Haughton
8. Relief of Unemployment Schemes
9. Reports of Officers and on Rate Collection
10. Correspondence
11. Free Milk Applications

You are requested to attend said Meeting
Yours faithfully
To :- Each Member, Wicklow U. D. Council
and The County Manager
J. McGrath, Town Clerk

Item 1.

Minutes of both meetings were confirmed

Item 2.

The Orders of the Manager were read in full and criticised. In the matter of the turning off of the water on the recommendation of the Overseer the Council questioned the advisability of same and purported to make an order that it be not turned off until 10 p.m. -- the Town Clerk calling their attention to the fact that in such a matter they could make a recommendation only.

Item 3.

The report of the Town Surveyor dated the 1st December 1942 on the proposal was read. From the report it was apparent that he and a representative of the firm had a conference about the matter and that the representative was of opinion that that the 2" or 2 1/2" Constrictor Piece at present connecting the 4" main in Bridge Street to the 8" Main in the Valve House should be removed and a 4" ~~xxxxx~~ Connector be substituted: he estimated the cost of this to be £30.

Order :- Recommended to the Manager that this work be done.

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Item 4.

The Town Clerk pointed out that the Department of Local Government & Public Health was very much concerned that the several owners of houses would carry out their obligations in respect of the several Clearance and Demolition Orders and undertakings to repair and improve : that all such owners were served with notice so to do as far back as May last.

Order :- Refer to the County Manager

Item 5.

The Town Clerk called the attention of the Councillors to the danger of supplies of Fuel for both schemes running out in midwinter & indicated the steps being taken to get further supplies.

Order :- That ~~xxxxx~~ the Town Clerk proceed to Ballymanus & Rathdrum on the 2nd inst to interview the Forestry Officials and contract with them for any Fuel blocks available -- the County Manager having already approved of getting supplies from this source

Item 6.7 (Seven)

Letter from Mr A. Finlayson dated the 30th Nov. 1942 stating that the rent on which he was offered the premises at South Quay was too much and offering £4 ~~xxxxxx~~ as a substituted rent

Proposed by Councillor R. B. Haskins, Seconded by Councillor Ml. McMahon and passed unanimously :-

That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby agree to grant ~~xxxxxx~~ give the premises to Mr A. Finlayson at £5 per annum on a repairing Lease the repairs to be done to the satisfaction of the Council's Engineer

Mr J. D. Haughton had consulted with the Town Surveyor with regard to his application for portion of land at Dunbur Road adjoining his existing house and plot and the Town Surveyor had ~~xxxxxx~~ indicated on a plan or map the portion that Mr Haughton might get without interfering unduly with the sites as already planned and Mr Haughton was prepared to accept same

PROPOSED by Councillor C.W. Hudson, SECONDED by Councillor Ml. McMahon and passed unanimously :-

That Mr James D. Haughton be given a lease of plot as shown on map containing 1 rood and 2 pers statute Measure @ £1 per annum

Item 6.

The Town Clerk reported that applications ~~xxxxx~~ for allotments were coming in very slowly and that he wished to make it clear to all concerned that the regulations as to lettings were still being strictly observed by the Departments of state concerned and that all lettings determined on this date (1st Dec.) and that there was no reason whatever that anyone who had an allotment last season should have that or any other allotment in the coming season.

Order :- It was recommended that all applications should reach the Town Clerk before the 1st of January 1943 -- and that all existing holders, paying or free, should renew their applications before that date.

The Town Clerk read a letter dated the 19th November 1942 from the Department in which the following, owing to ~~xxxxxx~~ neglect, would not be qualified for ~~xxxxxx~~ plots for the coming season.

William Byrne Castle Street, John Canavan Bond Street, A. Keilly Ballyguile
William Canavan Glenview, John Carolan St Laurence's Rd., Robert O'Grady
Main Street, Jas. Kilty Kilmantin Rd., Margaret Skinner Glenview Rd., James
De Courcy Summer Hill, John Brien Glenview Rd., Jas. Roche Strand Street
Noted.

Item 8.

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Item 8.

The Town Clerk reported that it was anticipated that the work under the approved scheme for the Relief of Unemployment would begin on Monday the 7th inst and that about the Christmas time between 40 and 50 men would be employed on same.

He read a letter dated the 26th of November 1942 from the County Manager enclosing a letter (22732/1942) of the 21st November 1942 (also read) from the Department of Local Government & P. H. in which it was requested that in anticipation of a Grant equivalent to four times that given in 1940/41 that schemes of public utility and with a high labour content should be prepared and submitted before the 15th December 1942. The Town Clerk reported that the extent of the Grant might be estimated from the correspondence to be £8000.

Certain schemes such as the Scheme for improving the method of disposal of the Town Sewage were mentioned and the Engineer was asked to consider and submit suitable proposals and in order to give Councillors an opportunity to consider the matter fully further consideration of the matter was left over to an adjourned meeting to be held probably on Monday 7th inst -- the Town Clerk to notify members ~~verbally of the date and hour~~ and the County Manager of the date and hour.

The Council agreed to recommend that Mrs Kelly of Dunbur Road Wicklow get a transfer to the house being vacated by Mrs Powers and family and that John Hendley be offered Mrs Kelly's house.

The Town Clerk having replied to ~~the~~ inquiries re the present position of the proposed transfer of the Wicklow Harbour stated that he learned verbally from the Counsel engaged by him to advise on such that there was a legal difficulty in proceeding by Provisional Order it was agreed that an effort should be made to have the proposal carried by an Emergency Order and Councillor J. Everett T.D. and the Town Clerk were asked to take the matter up with the proper authority.

THANKS

The Town Clerk having reported to the Chairman that the Royal Humane Society had forwarded Certificates for Sean Noonan and Daniel Cleary in connection with their rescue on the 23/8/42 of a boy from drowning off the new pier at Wicklow -- said Certificates to be presented by the Council

The Chairman having tendered the boys congratulations in which all other members joined presented the Certificates and It was PROPOSED by Councillor C. W. Hudson, SECONDED by Councillor J. D. Haughton and passed

"That this Council convey their appreciation to Messrs Noonan and Cleary for the rescue work carried out by them at the New Pier at Wicklow last Summer when their efforts were successful in saving the life of a young man named Duffy and welcome the opportunity of being able to present to them this night certificates from the Royal Humane Society."

It was unanimously agreed to ~~if~~ leave over all other business to the adjourned meeting to be held ~~next~~ during the week commencing the 7th inst.

PRESENT at Meeting :- Councillors J. Olohan (Presiding), C.W. Hudson, W. Clarke, J. Clarke, R. B. Haskins, J. Everett T.D., J. D. Haughton, J. O'Connor and M. McMahon
Also present :- J. T. O'Byrne Esq., B.E. Town Surveyor.

The Town Clerk stated that he was asked by the County Manager to convey to the Council his apologies for non-attendance at the meeting as he was undergoing dental treatment.

Note :- For entries of three letters ~~dealt with at this meeting and omitted from above see at end of Adjourned Meeting held on 9/12/42 under "OMISSIONS".~~ Minutes of Confirmed.

This 5th day of Jan 1943.

C. W. Hudson CHAIRMAN.

Minutes of Adjourned Monthly (DECEMBER) meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Wednesday the 10th of December 1942 pursuant to order made at Meeting held on the 1st of December 1942.

Present :- Councillors J. Olohan (Presiding), J. Clarke, R. B. Haskins J. D. Haughton, C. W. Hudson and Michael McMahon

Also present :- P. T. Healy Esq., Wicklow County Manager and J. T. O'Byrne Esq., B.E. Town Surveyor

The Town Clerk reported that the chief reason for holding this adjourned meeting was to list proposals for works of public utility and with a high labour content so as to have them in readiness for Grants for the Relief of Unemployment as indicated in the letter from the Department of Local Government & Public Health of the 21st of November 1942 as read at the meeting on the 1st of December 1942.

After prolonged discussion certain proposals for works were listed in the order of the Council's preference and the following resolution was passed accordingly :-

PROPOSED by Councillor C. W. Hudson, SECONDED by Councillor M. McMahon and passed :-

That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby agree to submit the following proposals as required by letter of the 21st of November 1942 in the following order of preference:-

- (a) A Scheme to improve the sewerage disposal of the Town and to provide a new sewer at Summer Hill for new houses built there and developing housing sites not yet built on -- also to include the taking into sewers of water flowing down the channel on the surface of Kilmartin Hill and provision of Public Conveniences.
- (b) A Scheme of works to provide concrete footpaths in the town -- ~~extending to an aggregate distance of 5300 linear yards~~
- (c) To replace the Woodenbridge with a new ferro-concrete bridge over the river Leitrim
- (d) To make a new concrete road over Wentworth Place
- (e) To continue to the extent of the football pitch the concrete Road on the Murrrough
- (f) To complete the link Road joining Dunbur to Cooper's Lane and to widen the said Lane.
- (g) To take steps to take over the South Quay as a road to be maintained by the Council and to concrete same -- such work to include the reconstruction of the damaged Quay wall there.
- (h) To concrete Brickfield Lane from Church Road to Greenmount
- (i) To straighten the eastern bank of the river Leitrim and to ~~deepen~~ deepen and widen the said river between the present Woodenbridge and the Railway Bridge and to erect a weir and repair retaining walls between the Woodenbridge and the present stone bridge.
- (j.) To extend the new works at the Foreshore in accordance with plans already submitted and to an extent of 600 yards
- (k) To construct a new road by Church Banks from the Woodenbridge to meet the Railway road.
- (l) To develop The Murrrough as a Public Park suitably equipped for all sports and games

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The adjourned item (No3) dealing with the application of Messrs Haskins & Son for improved water pressure for the Sprinkler Apparatus installed at their Mill at Bond Street was fully discussed and the financial commitments to the rates entailed by the Council carrying out the suggestions was dealt with by the County Manager and it was arranged that on deposit of £30 by Messrs Haskins & Son with the Town Clerk, the Council would proceed to make the alteration (removal of the 2" or 2½" Constrictor Piece) at the Valve House to meet the firms requirements

It was further recommended and arranged in connection with the same application that the Town Clerk should make an application to the Department of Local Government & P. H. for a grant of 2/3 of the cost of laying a new 6" Water Main from the valve house to meet the new 4" main at the far side of the stone bridge on the undertaking that Messrs Haskins & Son would bear the other 1/3 of the said cost.

The County Manager called attention to the fact that the Public Lights were not being maintained in operation in the morning according to agreement with the Electricity Supply Board and the Town Clerk was directed to take the matter up with the E. S. Board.

The Town Clerk pointed out that as the Council would not meet again until probably after Xmas it should be clearly understood that with the exception of the Scheme for the Relief of Unemployment there did not appear to be any other funds available to provide additional work at Xmas period.

He was asked to arrange to have men (not qualified for work on the Unemployment Scheme) put to work raising compost for the allotments, the cost to be recouped by the Department of Agriculture.

The Town Clerk reported the occurrence of a Fire at the premises of Mr Thos. Carrol at Summer Hill on Friday the 4th inst at about 4 p.m. and the successful efforts of the Council's fire Brigade in extinguishing the fire before any serious damage was done: that 6 men from the Council's approved panel with the charge hand dealt with the hoses and were paid the recognised rate. Two other men who took hold of the hose were subsequently ordered off by the charge hand as not being men trained on the panel but they claimed pay.

Noted: men not on the panel not to be paid.

~~The Council decided to pay the men~~

(3)

The Town Clerk called attention to an item for hire of Potatoes Sorter amounting to £2 in an account presented by Messrs W. P. Hopkins & Sons Ltd and pointed out that when he was asked for the use of the Sorter there was no question of a money payment

It was agreed to pay the account less the said item of £2 and to ask Messrs Hopkins to waive the item in the circumstances

At this stage the County Manager and Councillor R. B. Haskins retired from the meeting.

Adjourned Item No. 9. (Reports)

Reports were received and read from the Town Sergeant, Rent Collector and Waterworks Overseer and the position as to the Rate Collection was disclosed as follows:-

	Warrant	Collected to 30/11/42
Town Rate	£5025:11:3	£1878 : 16 : 4
Poor Rate	4256: 3: 6	2521: 14 : 8
	£9281 : 14 : 9	£4400 : 11 : -

Adjourned Item No. 10. (Correspondence)

The following communications from the Department of Local Government were read and ruled on as shown:-

Letter (G.1198/21/42) of the 19th November 1942 giving authority for Temporary Borrowing up to the 30th November 1942 up to a limit of £2,500.

Noted: Town Clerk to apply for renewal for December.

Letter (H.5461/3/42 dealing with the use of Timber other than deal in connection with building works.

Read
Copy Statutory Rules & Orders 1942 No 420 -- dealing with called "The Markets and Lairs (Cleansing & Disinfection) Order 1942"

Noted.

Letter (L. 13835/9/42) of the 14th December 1942 in reply to the Town Clerk's letter of the 9th of September last dealing with the foreshore Scheme asking for report of Engineer on certain aspects, declining to provide any further grant in aid of the works, describing the additional works as works of maintenance and pointing out that the Council was at fault in not collecting the contributions from the property owners

Order:- Refer to Surveyor for report: Council to consider at next meeting the publication of the lists of contributions

Resolution from Dun Laoghaire Borough Corporation dealing with the necessity for legislation making it compulsory for Ground Landlords to sell their interests.

Read

Letter of the 27th November 1942 from Robert F. Conway Main Street Wicklow inquiring what the Council proposed to do re the house in Castle St included in the C.P. Order made by them and (2) his plot at Dunbur Road.

(4)

Order :- Council recommend that the house be not acquired having regard to the report of the negotiating Committee and they refer the other matter to the County Manager for appropriate action.

Letter dated the 4th December 1942 from Mrs Painting dealing with the provision of benefit nights at the Picture Houses in aid of the School meals

Refer back to the Ladies School Meals Committee to consider the matter carefully and report again to the Council: Town Clerk to deal with the matters raised in the letter in his reply.

Letter dated the 30th November 1942 from Messrs Haskins & Son stating that they could not undertake the works required at the house at Upper Strand St for Mrs Coffey and adding that at some future date they would take the houses down and build houses suitable to the position.

Noted

Letter dated the 7th December 1942 from the Employers Liability Insurance Company who hold all the risk under the Employers' Liability Acts for the Council for the year ended the 31st December 1942 and offering to renews at the same terms as last year.

Recommend that the Insurance with the Company be renewed

Letter of the 21st Nov. 1942 from the County Manager dealing with bridges bored by the Military Authorities

Read : Council not interested in any such bridges

Petition from Councils' Tenants at Castle Field re the making of a road

Order : Refer to Engineer for report.

Letter dated the 7th December 1942 from the Wicklow County Commissioner subjoining copy letter of the 23/11/42 from the County Billleting Officer dealing with the establishing of Welfare Committees to deal with evacuees.

It was unanimously agreed that all the members of the Council should act on the Welfare Committee for Wicklow Town.

1/ COMMITTED FROM MINUTES of Meeting of the 1st December 1942 :-
Letter dated the 30th Nov. 1942 from William Clarke on behalf of The Wicklow Cinema Co. asking for permission to erect a hoarding on the railings of The Halpin Monument Fitzwilliam Square

Inquire from Miss Halpin if she favours such around the Monument and if she does not all such posters, hoardings etc to be removed.

2/ Letter of the 21st Nov. 1942 from Wicklow County Manager enclosing copy of a Resolution passed at the meeting of the County Council of the 16th November 1942 dealing with the use of Wood ashes

Noted :- Council have been making use of all available ashes for allotments for a number of years.

3/ The Fowl Market was fixed for Friday the 18th December 1942 at Town Market House and the Town Clerk was directed to advertise as heretofore in Wicklow People.

Confirmed

... CHAIRMAN

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 5th day of January 1943, the following notice being sent to each member on the 1st of January 1943:-

1st of January 1943

Dear Sir,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 5th of January 1943 at the hour of 7.30 p.m. at the Town Hall Wicklow when consideration will be given to matters under the following headings :-

1. Minutes of Meetings held on the 1st of December 1942 & 10th Dec. 1942
2. Business transacted since 1st of December 1942 as per Manager's Order Book.
3. Housing including recent reports of C. M. O. Health & Town Surveyor on inspections made by them.
4. Fuel Scheme
5. Relief of Unemployment Scheme & Xmas work.
6. Allotment Scheme.
7. Reports of Officers and on Rate Collection.
8. Correspondence.
9. Free Milk Applications

You are requested to attend said Meetings
Yours faithfully

To :- Each Member, Wicklow U.D.C.

J. McGrath, Town Clerk.

and The County Manager

Present :- Councillors C.W. Hudson (Presiding), J. Everett T.D.,

J. Clarke, J. D. Haughton

Also present :- J. T. O'Byrne Esq., Town Surveyor.

Item 1.

Minutes of said Meetings were read and confirmed.

Item 2.

The Order Book was produced for inspection by Councillors attending and the Town Clerk summarised the principal business transacted as shown therein

Item 3.

Reports were read from the County Medical Officer of Health and Town Surveyor on their inspections of :-

- (1) House in Castle Street occupied by James Ronan and family and owned of which the reputed owner was Bride Wheeler
- (2) House at Castle Street occupied by Mrs Verroll and family and owned by the Representative of Mrs Hamilton

(2)

- (3) House at Castle Street occupied by Daniel Jameson and family and owned by the Representative of Mrs Hamilton
- (4) House at Summer Hill owned by Mrs Kavana-gh and occupied by William Conway.
- (5) Six houses ~~the property of~~ at Castle Street owned by William Murphy and all (except one) occupied.

It was recommended that the owners be called on to do repairs to the satisfaction of the C. M. O. Health and Town Surveyor and that in the case of (4) above copies of the reports be forwarded to the Department of Local Government so as to permit the Council to repair (cost estimated at £300) and improve at the expense of the owner

Item 4.

The Town Clerk reported in full on the steps taken by him in connection with the provision of Fuel as directed at the meeting of the Council held on the 1st of December 1942.

It was recommended by the Council that the Question of the provision of further supplies of Fuel be left in the hands of the Town Clerk with an instruction that owing ~~to~~ to the shortage he was to make every effort to procure fuel at an economical price ; that he was to make inquiries from Charles Hender of Ashford, Mr Darcy of Kiltimmon , and from the County Council in respect of the timber on the proposed new Road by Silver Strand and through Morgan's farm. Also from the Turf Board and the Forestry Department.

Item 5.

A report was read from the Town Surveyor showing the progress made to date on the Unemployment Relief Scheme now in progress .

A letter dated the 2nd of January 1943 from the Secretary of the I. T. & G. W. Union asking for an increase in the wages payable to carters as ~~follows~~ below was read :-

Man, Horse & Cart	16/- per day.	old Rate 12/- p. day
Form Byrne's Pit	6/- per load	5/-p.load
From Murrin Hill	6/- per load	4/6 " "

and pointing out that other contractors have paid the increased rates

Order :- That we recommend that the matter be referred to the County Manager to be favourably dealt with by him and that we consider that payment should be made to men working during Xmas week in respect of Xmas Day.

Item 6.

Progress in the matter of the Scheme was reported and the Town Clerk pointed out that unless the applications were increased, some of the ploughed land might remain on the Council's ~~own~~ hands.

Item 7

Reports were received from the Rent Collector, Town Sergeant & Waterworks Overseer and the following Order was made on Town Sergeant's Report.

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"That we recommend that the work suggested for the gates to the Mill Yard on South Quay be carried out."

Item 8. (Correspondence)

Letter G. 1198/22/42 of the 18th December 1942 from the Department of Local Government & P. Health sanctioning the continuation of Overdraft up to a limit of £2500 on General Revenue account up to the 31st Dec. 1942.

Recommend that the Town Clerk apply for renewal of authority for overdraft to meet the requirements for the month of January

Letter T.A.260/132 of the 15th December 1942 sanctioning Overdraft in respect of Fuel up to a limit of £298 to the 31st December 1942

Recommend that the necessary authority for continuation of this overdraft to meet the requirements be applied for

Letter from Miss Halpin of Tinnakilly House in reply to the Town Clerk's letter re the erection of Hoardings etc around the Halpin Memorial in Fitzwilliam Square Wicklow stating that she and the relatives of Captain Halpin would dislike such and thanking the Council for their interest in the matter.

Recommend that all hoardings be discontinued in future

~~Letter~~ Letter from Mr A. Cullen setting out the terms on which ~~her~~ his client would agree to the acquisition of sites from her ~~included~~ and which were included in the Castle St C. P. Order.

Recommend that the matter be now proceeded with subject to Departmental sanction.

Account from E. Kennedy Rate Collector for £2:11:2 for stamps on receipts to date

Recommend that the account be examined by the Town Clerk and presented for payment to Manager.

Arising out of a matter occurring on the Minutes of the Meeting of the 10th of December 1942 in connection with the Fire at the premises of Thos. Carroll it was recommended that ~~the~~ the two men who did not belong to the panel be paid.

It was also recommended that the E.S.B. be asked to discontinue existing light in Wentworth Place (opposite the premises of the De La Salle Bros.) Pole and that they be asked to quote for the erection of a ~~Lamp~~ and Lamp in lieu thereof at the ~~large~~ Garage corner of Wentworth Place & Church St and if cost be over £5 , the original lamp at corner of Church St & ~~Wentworth Place~~ Woodenbridge Row be restored. It was also recommended that the Gas Lamp ~~at~~ in Melancholy Lane be restored.

(4)

Arising out of a discussion on the heating of the Convent National School and the reports made by the County Medical Officer thereon it was

PROPOSED by Councillor J. Everett, SECONDED by Councillor J. Clarke and passed

"That we recommend that, unless proper heating facilities be provided in the ~~Convent~~ Dominican Convent National School Wicklow, the School be closed during the inclement months."

Certified a True Copy

Town Clerk

Confirmed

This 2nd day of Feb 1943

C. W. Hudson CHAIRMAN

Minutes of Monthly (FEBRUARY) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 2nd of February 1943 the following Notice being sent to each member on the 30th of January 1943 :-

30. 1. '43

Dear Sir,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 2nd day of February 1943 at the hour of 7.30 p.m. when the following matters will be under consideration :-

1. Minutes of Meeting held on the 5th of January 1943.
2. Business transacted since the 5th of January 1943 as per Manager's Order Book.
3. Housing.
4. Fuel Schemes.
5. Allotment Scheme and consideration of disposing of Land not required for allotments and the Council's Tillage Scheme for 1943.
6. Review of Foreshore expenditure and of contributions in aid.
7. Review of Charges for Water for non-domestic purposes
8. Application of Messrs Hopkins & Sons for renewal of Lease of their Mill premises.
9. Reports of Officers.
11. Free Milk applications.

You are requested to attend said Meeting.

Yours faithfully

J. McGrath, Town Clerk

To :- Each Member, Wicklow U. D. C.

Present :- Councillors C. W. Hudson, ~~J. Everett~~ (Presiding), J. Everett T.D., W. Clarke, R.B. Haskins, J.D. Haughton and M. McMahon.

Also present :- J. T. O'Byrne Esq., B.E. Town Surveyor

Item 1.

Minutes were read and confirmed.

Item 2.

The Manager's Order Book was produced for inspection and the Councillors decided it was not necessary for the Town Clerk to read the Orders therein.

Item 3.

The only matters arising out of this item were applications for tenancies for any available houses. The Town Clerk reported that there were no vacant houses but stated that it was rumoured that Mrs Kelly was about to leave the house at No. 6 Dunbar Road (Non-Slum Clearance House) Applications were read from :-

- (1) Mrs Frances Conway of Summer Hill supported by a letter from Dr A.A. O'Connor
- (2) Michael O'Connor Kilpoole, supported by a letter from Dr A.A. O'Connor and
- (3) from Miss O'Reilly of Quarantine Hill who pointed out that by reason of the recent death of her father (late Harbour Master) they were

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obliged to leave the house in Quarantine Hill .

Proposed by Councillor J. Everett, Seconded by Councillor M. McMahon and passed unanimously :-

That we recommend that the house at Dunbur Terrace be given to Miss Sadie O'Reilly, if and when it is vacated by Mrs Kelly.

A letter ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ signed by Gerard Kavanagh and dated the 1st of February 1943 and addressed to The Chairman protesting against the proposed increase of Rents on his house as per notice served in respect of rates on same. The Town Clerk stated that the Council had fixed the rents on those houses (last scheme of 34 houses) @ 5/- per week and Rates and that the Notice of increase now served was in respect of Rates for current year where-
-by the ~~xxxxxx~~ rents would be increased by 1/11 and 2/- per week according as the Valuations were £4:10:- or £4 : 15:-.

Proposed by Councillor J. Everett T.D., Seconded by Councillor C.W. Hudson and passed :-

That we recommend that the increase of Rents on the 34 new Houses by reason of the addition of Rates be deferred for twelve months.

Item 4.

The Town Clerk outlined the steps taken by him to procure Fuel to cope with the two schemes that the Council were operating and pointed out that the position was getting more difficult by reason of the difficulty of getting supplies of suitable fuel and of securing Petrol for Transport. He reported that for the ordinary Scheme (for paying persons) he had now received a promise of 200 tons of Fire Logs at Glendalough and that for the Free Fuel Scheme provision was now made for a supply of dry Turf from Athlone at 43/6 per Ton at Wicklow Station--that the first consignment of the latter might be expected in the course of a day or two. He asked for the Council's views as to whether in the next financial year the Council should continue the ordinary Scheme --pointing out that he could not yet inform them of the amount of loss on last year's working but hoped to be soon able to do so.

It was unanimously agreed to continue in the next financial year to make provision for Fuel for the ordinary people of the Town who were able to pay the controlled price.

Proposed by Councillor J. Everett, Seconded by Councillor Haughton and passed unanimously :-

That we recommend that the timber offered for sale to the Council at Cullen Lane cut in 10 inch blocks at 35/- per ton be purchased.

Item 5.

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Item 6.

The Town Clerk read again the letter from the Department of Local Government dated the 14th November last in which (inter alia) it was pointed out that the cost of re-building the wall at the Foreshore for the Railway Company (£49) should be recovered from the Company and that the fact that the Council had been unsuccessful in obtaining the guaranteed contribution from local property Owners would not constitute adequate grounds for a recommendation to the Minister for Finance for an increase in the amount of Grant (£1250) already recommended. He also informed the Council that he had interviewed the Railway Company's Chief Engineer on the 29th January 1943 at Dublin with a view to getting an increase in the contribution proposed to be made by the Company --but without success. The figures of the Scheme of works were given by him as follows :-

Total ~~Costs~~ Expenditure on 1941/42 section £2672 : 13 : 8

Receipts :- Government Grant £1250

Loan 941

Contributions from property owners including the £150 from Ry. 206

2397 : - : -

Deficit made up from Revenue & Overdraft deficit £275 : 13 : 8

Councillors expressed the view that this ~~xxxxxx~~ amount might be raised by Loan but as questions arose about further works and whether certain works were by way of maintenance or new construction it was agreed as a preliminary step

"That the Town Surveyor prepare a report of maintenance cost and send copy to the Department --the Town Clerk to inform the parties who have not yet contributed that list of subscribers will be published in the near future . : further dealing with the Railway Company's contribution be left in the hands of the County Manager and Town Clerk.

Item 7

The Town Clerk reported that in the matter of revenue from Water Charges the amount realised was only in the region of £10 whereas a figure of at least £100 was counted on.

Order : Recommend to the Manager for his attention.

Item 8.

It was pointed out that the ~~xxx~~ rent on those premises under the expired Lease was £21 and that it was usual to provide for a 25% increase.

Proposed by Councillor ~~xxxx~~

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Proposed by Councillor J. Everett, Seconded by Councillor M. McMahon and passed :-

82 That a Lease with the usual conditions be granted for 31 years reserving a Rent showing 20% increase on the old Rent of £21

Item 5.

It was reported that the Lettings of Allotments to date were as follows :-

To unemployed persons	135	Last Season 158
To Employed Persons	51	51

and that there was still available a number of plots for both classes. The Town Clerk considered that the 7 acre field at Ballyguile newly ploughed this year none would be required for allotments at present rate : that Mrs Clarke's tender of £6 :10:- per acre for balance of same that would be available was accepted.

It was recommended that the compost from the Railway Dump be carted to the plots to meet deficit on artificial manures and that the Turf dust or mould from the Fuel yard be also carted out for the same purpose. that 2 acres of lower side of Sledge Field be used for Tillage Scheme and balance offered to Mrs Clarke.

Item 9

Reports were read from the Waterworks Overseer, Rent Collector and Veterinary Inspector. It was reported that the Town Sergeant Mr B.O'Toole was off duty on Medical Certificate and that the Waterworks Overseer had been appointed temporarily to carry out his work.

Item 10. (Correspondence)

The Following letters from the Department of Local Government & P. Health were read and ruled on as shown :-

Letter (G.131/2/43) dated the 25th January 1943 sanctioning overdraft accommodation up to £2600 to end of January and pointing out that further applications should be supported by a Resolution from the Council

Order :- Town Clerk to make the necessary arrangement for adequate accommodation for February

Letter .1981/43 of the 27th January 1943 calling attention to the houses in the Survey of 1938 reported as unfit and capable of repair at reasonable cost and making certain inquiries

Order :- Refer to County Manager

Letter (AC.2289/43 ILGA) of the 22nd January 1943 asking for payment of £5:12:6 towards the cost of printing the Castke Street C. P. Order.

Order :- Recommend that it be paid.

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Letter from the Department of Local Government Agriculture (G.224) of the 28th January 1943 referring to Town Clerk's letter of the 10th November last and adhering, after consultation with the Department of Supplies, to their refusal to recoup the £3 charged in excess for Manures for Allotments in 1942 season by Messrs J. P. Hopkins & Sons Ltd.

Read.

Letter T.D. 2/26 from the Turf Division of the Department of Finance dealing with the application for license for the removal of Turf for Free Fuel Scheme Application now made.

Letter from the County Librarian, dated , asking for an increase in the Council's contribution to the County Library Scheme.

Order :- Defer to Estimates Meeting

Letter dated the 29th January 1943 from Robert Conway enclosing £3 : 2 : 1 for cost of fencing his plot at Dunbur Road and asking for certain considerations in respect of building thereon or alternatively for refund of moneys paid by him in the event of the Council resuming possession.

Order :- Matter left in the hands of the Town Clerk and County Manager.

Letter dated the 27/1/43 from the Superior officer of Private Heffernan National Army who owes arrears of Rent to the Council --being collected by the Council's Law Agent for the Rent Collector---offering on his behalf 5/- per week off the arrears as well as the current Rent.

Order : Recommended that the Town Clerk endeavour to get current rent and the 5/- arrears remitted direct.

Arising out of the Lease being granted to Mr Finlayson of premises at South Quay the Town Clerk reported that George Ellis who has a workshop on the premises had represented to him that the Council had permitted him to remain in occupation of the shop free of rent for his life.

Order :- Town Clerk to arrange with the parties that George Ellis be left in undisturbed possession of what he always had for his life only and that on his death it to be included in the Lease now being granted to Mr Finlayson.

Item 11.

It was raised by Councillors that a number of parties had been discontinued from the Free Milk Scheme and reasons were asked. The Town Clerk replied that the amount of money available was running short and that as far as he knew no deserving cases had been struck off.

It was recommended that Thos. Kilroy St Dominick's Road and Mrs Anastasia Brien if Kilmartin Road be given allowances.

PROPOSED by Councillor C. W. Hudson, Seconded by Councillor M. McMahon and passed :-

That the Council's sympathy be conveyed to relatives of P. Reilly (late Harbour Master) and Mrs Duggan of Church Hill on their recent sad bereavements.

Confirmed P. O'Leary CHAIRMAN

Minutes of Monthly (MARCH) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 2nd of March 1943, the following Notice having been sent to each member on the 27th day of February 1943 :-

27. 2. 43.

Dear Sir,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 2nd day of March 1943 at the hour of 7.30 p.m. when the following matters will be under consideration :-

1. Minutes of Meeting held on the 2nd day of February 1943.
2. Business transacted since the 2nd of February 1943 as per Manager's Order Book.
3. Any matters relating to the Housing of the Working Classes Acts.
4. (a) Fuel Schemes (b) Relief of Unemployment Scheme.
5. Council's Tillage Scheme and letting of Fields for 1943.
6. Allotments Scheme for 1943.
7. Auditor's Report of his Audit of the Accounts for 1940/41 & 1941/42
8. To execute Leases, as granted, to Messrs J.D. Haughton, A. Finlayson, Messrs Hopkins and Robert Howard and Mary Frances Williamson
9. Reports of Officers.
10. Correspondence.
11. Free Milk Applications.

You are requested to attend said Meeting.

Yours faithfully

J. McGrath, Town Clerk

To: Each Member, Wicklow U. D.C.
AND The County Manager.

Present :- Councillors J. Olohan (Presiding), C. W. Hudson, W. Clarke, J. Everett T.D., R. B. Haskins, J. O'Connor, J. Clarke and J.D. Haughton

Also present :- Patrick T. Healy Esq., County Manager.

Mr J. T. O'Byrne Town Surveyor sent a letter dated the 26th February 1943 asking to be excused from attendance as he would be at a conference at the Department of Local Government for three days.

Item. 1.

The Minutes of the said Meeting were read and confirmed.

Item. 2.

The Manager's Order Book was produced for inspection of those attending.

Item. 3.

A letter dated the 5th of February 1943 from Mrs Kavanagh of 2 Summer Hill referring to her inspections made by the C.M.O. Health and Town Surveyor of her house, tenanted by Wm. Conway, and to the reports forwarded to her, in which she stated that the repairs required would be carried out but that the joining of this and the next house in one was not feasible, was read.

Applications for houses were read from Mrs Wynne Strand Street, Jas. Middleton, William Hayden, Mary Kelly, Mrs Canavan and Mrs Frances Conway. A discussion ensued as to the procedure to be adopted in future in the matter of letting vacant houses and it was agreed that when houses became vacant, the Councillors were to be notified to meet in Committee on Saturdays and if they met and made a recommendation about applicants the Manager would take such recommendations into consideration and provided that the regulation ~~was~~ permitted it, would give effect to the recommendation of the Council. In the absence of any recommendation the Manager would proceed to allot the house or houses vacant to the applicant or applicants whom he found qualified and most deserving.

Item. 4.

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Item 4.

(a)

The Town Clerk reported that there was available only about 20 tons of inferior Turf and 5 or 6 tons of blocks and that the bringing of ~~the~~ the blocks from the Forestry Departments Depot at Glendalough at £4:4:- per cord (yielding about 3 tons 9 cwts) and paying £2:10:- per Cord for haulage was uneconomic. He also reported that while the Turf from Athlone for the Free Scheme was satisfactory he had no guarantee that the supply would be maintained.

It was recommended that the Town Clerk make inquiries from the County Surveyor as to whether there was any suitable dry Turf now available on the County Wicklow bogs, that quotations be obtained from Mr L. Smith for blocks, and that the question of purchasing a saw Mill to be installed in the Council's yard and worked by the Council be examined.

The Town Clerk again asked the Council to consider very carefully whether it was advisable to continue in the Fuel business next year or not and intimated that if the scheme was to be continued the Council would have to consider their possible losses and making some ~~other~~ arrangements as the Scheme gave a great deal of extra work and trouble.

The Council ~~was~~ were unanimous that the Scheme be continued in the Council's own yard.

(b) It was reported that the ~~Scheme~~ scheme in progress since before Xmas was wound up and the Town Clerk reported that by letter of the 13th Feb. 1943 (Copy of which he read) he had so informed the Department of Local Government and requested, subject to the Council's approval, a further Grant to permit the Council to take over South Quay, reconstruct the damaged retaining wall and concrete the Quay.

~~PROPOSED~~ by Councillor C.W. Hudson, SECONDED by Councillor R.B. Haskins and passed :-

That the necessary particulars be furnished to the Department of Local Government and that the proposal in connection with the South Quay be approved subject to a Grant being available on the usual terms.

Item 5.

A Circular letter dated the 19th of February 1943 from the Department of Local Government & P. Health dealing with the reported decrease in the number of Allotments for 1943 and urging Councillors to endeavour to get the greatest possible number of Allotments working was read and the Town Clerk reported that the number of Allotments for Unemployed this season was 159 as compared with 158 and for Employed 65 as compared with 50 and that the Council had provided ample land for further applications (if any).

The position was declared to be satisfactory.

The difficulty of securing ~~sufficient~~ sufficient good ~~manure~~ manure was referred to but it was considered that in the circumstances the Council had done their best to meet the shortage.

Item 5. (FIVE)

It was agreed to accept Mrs Clarke's Tender for the balance of the field known as "The Sledge Field" @ £5 per acre (varying her original Tender in the circumstances) for Conacre Letting and to give her the facility of opening a gap from her own lands to the said Field--she undertaking to help at the Tillage Scheme. Further consideration of the Tillage Scheme was left over until the field was disc harrowed.

Item. 7.

The Auditor's Report was read and discussed and it was ordered that a Copy be sent to each member. The County Manager intimated that in connection with the arrears of Rent on the Corporate Estate he would have to deal drastically with the situation.

Item 8.

(See over)

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Item 8.

The Town Clerk reported that owing to the unexpected absence of the Town Surveyor only one of the Leases viz that to James D. Haughton was mapped and that the others would have to wait over to an adjourned meeting for execution :-

PROPOSED by Councillor Michael McMahon, SECONDED by Councillor C. W. Hudson and passed unanimously :-

That the Common Seal of the Wicklow Urban District Council be affixed to the Original and Counterpart of the Lease now produced and mapped of a plot of ground at Summer Hill (Corporation Lands) to James D. Haughton.

Item 9.

~~Arising out of~~ Reports were read from the Rent Collector, Veterinary Inspector and from the Waterworks Overseer and Acting Town Sergeant. Arising out of a discussion on ~~an~~ an outbreak of fire on the 1/3/43 at Mrs Grimshaw's house Friar's Hill as reported in the report of the Acting Town Sergeant (John De Courcy) it was decided to make special provision in the Estimates for 1943/44 for additional Water Hose and that should the circumstances of a fire outbreak so warrant it in future the Town Clerk was to requisition the large Fire Engine from Rathdrum.

Item 10.

Correspondence between the Rev Superioress of the Dominican Convent Wicklow and the Town Clerk on the subject of the heating of the Convent National Schools was read as were also Dr Beckett's original ~~report~~ Report on same of the 6/11/40 and his copy report of the 1st April 1942 were read and a long discussion ensued and it was finally ordered :-
"That Dr Beckett C.M.O. H. be asked to state if the matters he complained of in November 1940 have now been remedied and that the individual cases be dealt with as in his report of 1940".

Letter dated the 1st of March 1943 from the Secretary of the Wicklow Branch of The I.T. & G.W. Union making application for an increase of 10/- per week for all Urban District Council employees, and that a special allowance be applicable for the use of horse and cart.

Order :- That we hereby decommend an increase of 5/- in the wages.

Letters from the Department of Local Government & P. Health dealing with the applications for renewal of overdraft accommodation (£2200 on General Revenue Account and £200 for Fuel Production) were read and it was

PROPOSED by Councillor C. W. Hudson, SECONDED by Councillor M. McMahon and passed :-

That the Town Clerk make the necessary arrangements for continuation of authority for overdraft accommodation on those accounts until the 6th of April next up to the limits mentioned.

At this stage it was agreed to adjourn the further business to a meeting to be held on Tuesday the 9th of March 1943 at 7.30 p.m.

CONFIRMED

.....*John Bladen*.....CHAIRMAN.

Minutes of Adjourned (March) Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council held on Tuesday the 9th of March 1943 at 7.30 p.m. pursuant to order made at meeting on the 2nd of March 1943 (a reminder being sent to each member of the Council on the 8th March 1943).

Present :- Councillors J. Olohan (Presiding), M. McMahon, C.W. Hudson and J. O'Connor.

Adjourned item 9. (Reports of Officers)

Reports were read from the Veterinary Inspector on his inspections of Meat and Milk for the month of February 1943, also from the Acting Town Segeant and S.S.O., the Waterworks Overseer and the Rent Collector.

Adjourned Item 10 (Correspondence)

The following letters from the Department of Local Government & P. H. were read and ruled on as shown :-

Letter H. 3150/10/43 of the 25th February 1943 dealing with the recommendation of the Council that the increase proposed on rents in respect of the 34 houses should be deferred for 12 months and pointing out the provisions dealing with the matter and which provided for such increases and adding that it was presumed that it was explained to the tenants when going into occupation that when the houses were valued an appropriate sum in respect of rates would be chargeable in addition to the rent.

The Town Clerk assured the Councillors that such explanation was given and that it was incorporated in the Tenancy agreements

PROPOSED by Councillor C. W. Hudson, SECONDED by Councillor M. McMahon and passed :-

That we recommend that the Department be asked to re-consider the question of deferring the increase of weekly rent for twelve months.

Letter of the 6/2/43 giving the account for the audit of the Council's accounts for the two years to the 31st of March 1942. (£21)

Recommend that it be paid
Letter AC.2289/43 of the 22nd of January 1943 pointing out that a balance of £5 : 12 : 6 remained due for printing of the Castle St. C.P. Order

Recommend that it be paid.

Letter (F.62/6/42) of the 26th February 1943 from the Department of Finance enclosing certificate from the Valuation of Office certifying that a sum