The following resolution was

Proposed by J. V. MacQuillan, Esq,
Seconded by William Woods, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That we hereby appoint Dr Charles McDonnell, of the Asylum, Monaghan, Tuberculosis Officer for the County of Louth at the salary of £400 (Four hundred pounds) per annum, with an allowance of £100 (One hundred pounds) per annum for vouched travelling expenses, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board.

The appointment of Dr O'B. Kennedy was not proposed, and the Chairman declared the foregoing resolution passed unanimously.

Dr McDonnell was called before the Council, and the Chairman informed him that he had been unanimously elected. Dr McDonnell returned thanks for his appointment. The Secretary was directed to request the approval of the Local Government Board to the appointment of Dr. McDonnell.

Notice of Motion

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Mr James Wynne, J.P. was put as a substantive resolution, as follows, and passed unanimously:

Proposed by James Wynne, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by Bernard Hamill, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That we hereby direct our Secretary to enquire into the arrangements and accommodation in the Unions in this County with regard to the treatment of Harmless Lunatics.

Arising out of the above resolution, a general discussion took place regarding the connection of Louth with Richmond District Asylum, and the possibility of utilising Ardee Workhouse as a Local Asylum. Eventually on the motion of

William Woods, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by D. J. Rath, Esq, J.P., the following resolution was passed unanimously:

Resolved: That we direct our Solicitor to have Counsel's opinion as to our powers with regard to the establishment of a local Asylum, and also as regards our liabilities to Richmond Asylum, and that Council engaged Mr O'Connell meet the Committee of Enquiry to go into details of the subjects.

Agreement between Louth County Council and County Louth Insurance Committee.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by J. T. McGee, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by P. B. Moore, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That we approve of the recommendation of the County of Louth Tuberculosis Committee of Management and hereby renew for Twelve Months the Agreement between the Louth County Council & the County of Louth Insurance Committee with regard to the treatment of Insured Persons suffering from tuberculosis.

Correspondence

Letter was read from Mrs McQuillan, widow of the late Dr McQuillan, thanking the Council for their vote of sympathy in the loss of her husband. Letter thanking the Council for their sympathy was also read from Mr J. V. McQuillan, M.C.C.

Reconstruction in Ireland

The Secretary stated that he had received a Notice of Motion from Mr T. C. Macardle, B.L., regarding Reconstruction in Ireland, but that as it was too late for inclusion in the Agenda, he had brought it up on correspondence. By leave of the Council, the following resolution in the same matter was:

Proposed by William Woods, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J. F. Murphy, Esq. J.P.
and unanimously

Resolved:

"That we, the Louth County Council while welcoming the Scheme of Reconstruction suggested by the Chief Secretary in his recent interview with the Association of Irish Municipal Authorities, in so far as these proposals indicate a serious intention on his part to develop the country, desire to represent that the sum of £250,000 (equal only to £100,000 in pre-war days) is an utterly inadequate sum to deal with such a big question. That we respectfully direct the Chief Secretary's attention to the interview with Mr R. C. Burgess in the 'Freeman' of 22nd instant, and hope that the Lord Lieutenant and Chief Secretary will bring their great influence to bear on the Treasury to put them in a position to carry out all the works of National importance therein referred to: works, which at one time or other in the past have been promised in piecemeal to this country by successive Chief Secretaries. In this matter all Irish parties speak with one common voice, and we, therefore, call for the endorsement of this recommendation by all Irish Public Bodies.

"That this resolution be sent to the different County Councils in Ireland for adoption."

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Committal to Industrial School.

The District Inspector, R.I.C., Dundalk, wrote giving notice that he would make application at Dundalk Children's Court, on the 28th February, to have Gerard Moore committed to a Reformatory School. The Committee approved.

Notice of Audit.

Mr R. J. Newell, Local Government Auditor, wrote notifying the Council that he would take up the audit of their accounts for half year ended 30th September last, on 26th February. The Secretary stated that the usual notice had been issued by advertisement, and that Mr Newell had commenced work on the accounts. The letter was initialled.

Cinematograph Licence.

Application was read from Miss Betty McCrave, Carlingford, for a licence to exhibit cinematograph pictures in the town of Carlingford, in a Hall situate in the River Lane. The Secretary read police report that the building in use for the purpose was not suitable, and the application was accordingly refused.

Cattle Diseases Fund.

The Local Government Board wrote in a letter dated 25th February, No. 4648/19 M. that they had issued an order on the Treasurer of the Louth County Council for payment out of the County Funds of the sum of £265.3.0, being the amount assessed against Louth in respect of the General Cattle Diseases Fund.
The letter was initialled.

Forestry.

Mr Joseph T. Dolan, M.A. wrote that Mr Edward O'Hare of Jenkinstown would be prepared to plant 2000 trees, if they were provided by the County Council. After discussion the Secretary was directed to apply to the Department for the trees for Mr O'Hare.

Increase to Surveyor's Clerk.

The Local Government Board wrote in letter dated 25th February, 1919, No. 7138/19, approving of the increase of £25 (twenty-five) per annum granted to the County Surveyor's Clerk.

County Analyst's Report
For Quarter Ended 31st December, 1918.

The following report was read and initialled :-

60 articles were received from the Food Inspe tors, R.I.C. as follows :- Milk 25 samples: Butter 8; Whiskey 7; Oatmeal 3; Cocoa 3; Cheese 2; Tea 2; Rum 2; Rice 1; Cornflour 1; Cream of Tartar 1; Flake meal 1; Margarine 1; Coffee 1; Dripping 1; Wheaten meal 1. Total 60.

One certificate was sent to Sergeant Levinge, Dundalk, for specimen of milk adulterated with at least 10 per cent; of water one certificate for specimen of milk adulterated with at least 16 per cent of added water and was also deficient of at least 10 per cent of its fats; one certificate for specimen of whiskey which was 30 degrees under proof and was therefore adulterated with 6.67 per cent of water, and one certificate for specimen of rum which was 52 degrees under proof and was therefore adulterated with 36 per cent of water.

One certificate was sent to Sergeant Callan, Dunleer, for specimen of milk adulterated with at least 13 per cent of added water.

One specimen of whiskey analysed for the Guardians of Drogheda Union was pure.

One specimen of water analysed for the Meath Rural District Council, Drogheda Union, had the following composition: One Imperial gallon contained in grains. Total solid matter 53.200, including Albuminoid Ammonia 0.015, Saline Ammonia 0.005, Nitric Acid Trace, Chlorine 9.480, Colour light yellow. An inferior water.

In the original report on the water above referred to, full details, chemical and microscopical, were given, but in the foregoing only the more important points are given.

Total Analyses 62
Adulterated and defective articles . 5

P. McGill
Chairman

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LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office.
Court House, Dundalk.
18TH APRIL, 1919.

The First Quarterly Meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on **Thursday**, the **24**th day of **April**, **1919**, at the hour of 1-30 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of considering the undermentioned Business, which Meeting you are requested to attend

AGENDA:

1. Confirmation of the General Minutes of the Council
2. Confirmation of Finance Committee Minutes
3. Confirmation of Proposal Committee Minutes
4. Confirmation of Asylum Inquiry Committee Minutes
5. Confirmation of Drainage Districts Committee Minutes and Fane Drainage Rate for Current Year
6. Consideration of Proposals for Payments formulated by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee
7. Fix Dates for Second Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee
8. **Making of Rates for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1920**
9. Consider Application from County Surveyor for Revision of Salary
10. Consider Letter from Termonfeckin Branch of Land and Labour Association for increase of wages of County Council's employees in that District
11. Confirmation of the Appointment of Mr O. D. Neary as Veterinary Inspector for Ardee No. 1 Rural District
12. Appointment of Harbour Constable for Clogherhead Harbour, vice Mr Patrick Hodgins, deceased
13. Correspondence

CHARLES McALESTER,
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council

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Louth County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their First Quarterly Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Thursday, 24th April, 1919 at 1.30 o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: P. McGee, Esq, J.P.
Other Members: B. L. Coleman, J.P.; W. Woods, J.P.; J. A. McArdle, J.P.; J. Fitzsimons, J.P.; T. B. McCourt; B. Finnegan; M. Meade; M. O'Meara, J.P.; J. McCarthy, J.P.; T. Callan, Macardle, D.L.; P. Woods, J.P.; T. V. MacQuillan; J. Wynne, J.P.

The County Surveyor and Assistant Surveyors and the County Solicitor were in attendance

Confirmation of General Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by T. V. MacQuillan, Esq.
Seconded by T. B. McCourt, Esq.
and

Resolved: That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Fourth Adjourned Quarterly Meeting held on the 27th February 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Finance Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by B. L. Coleman, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That the minutes of proceedings of the Finance Committee at their meetings held on the undermentioned dates, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, with all payments and recommendations contained therein, be and are hereby confirmed:

Monday, 3rd March, 1919: Tuesday, 18th March, 1919.
Monday, 31st March, 1919: Monday, 14th April, 1919.

Arising out of these Minutes the Press was asked to note the fact that in future the lists of Land Purchase Annuitant Defaulters would be published.

With reference to the non-payment of the Second moiety of the

Dundalk Demand letter was read from the Town Clerk, Dundalk requesting a further extension of time for payment of the amount. He promised that payment would be arranged for by 30th instant. The time asked for was granted after discussion.

Confirmation of Proposal Committee Minutes.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. H. Matthews, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by J. F. Murphy, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That the minutes of proceedings of the Proposal Committee at their meeting held on Monday, 14th April, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Asylum Enquiry Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. V. Macmillan, Esq.
Seconded by Peter Woods, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Asylum Enquiry Committee at their meetings held on the undermentioned dates, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed:

Tuesday, 18th March, 1919: Monday, 7th April, 1919: Tuesday, 15th April, 19

Confirmation of Minutes of Fane and Wottonstown Drainage Districts Committee.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by M. Meade, Esq.
Seconded by W. Woods, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That we hereby confirm the minutes of the Fane and Wottonstown Drainage District Committees at their meetings held as under, a copy having been sent to each member of the Council.

6th March, 1919 and 14th April, 1919.

Fane Drainage Rate for Year 1919

The following resolution was passed unanimously.

Proposed by B. L. Coleman, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by M. Meade, Esq,
and

Resolved: That in accordance with the Estimate of Rates required to cover the payment of Instalment and Interest on Loan and other necessary expenses of the Fane Drainage District for the year 1919 adopted by the Fane Drainage District Committee at their meeting held on the 14th April, 1919, we hereby confirm the Assessment of the sum of £187:10:0 to be levied on the Fane Drainage District according to and in proportion as shown in the Award of the Commissioners of Public Works.

That Mr Patrick Cluskey Wottonstown, Castlebellingham, be appointed to collect the rate. The collection to be completed by the 31st December, 1919. Remuneration to be at the rate of 7d in the £.

Ardee Payments

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by M. Meade, Esq.
Seconded by J. V. Macmillan, Esq
and

Resolved: That the proposal for payments formulated by the Ardee No 1 Rural District Council at their First Quarterly Meeting held on 1st July, 1919, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £576:8:2.

Drogheda Payments

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. McCarthy, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by J. V. Macmillan, Esq.
and

Resolved: That the proposal for payments formulated by the Rural District of Drogheda Union at their First Quarterly meeting held on the 8th July, 1919, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £350:2:10.

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Dundalk Payments

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by W. Woods, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J. F. Murphy, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the proposal for payments formulated by the Dundalk Rural District Council at their First Quarterly Meeting held on the 7th July 1919, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £1013:10:9.

County at Large Payments

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J. McArdle, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the proposal for payments formulated by the Proposal Committee at their First Quarterly Meeting, held on the 7th July 1919 and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £9902:2:6

Dates of Quarterly Meetings

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by W. Woods Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J. McCarthy Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the County Council hereby determine that the following shall be the dates for the holding of the Second Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils:

Ardee No. 1 .. 1st July, 1919.
Drogheda (South) .. 8th July, 1919.
Dundalk .. 9th July, 1919.

and that the Proposal Committee meet on 7th July, 1919.

Making of Rates for Year Ending 31st March, 1920.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. McCarthy, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by T. G. Macardle, Esq. D.L.
and

Resolved: That in accordance with the Estimate of Rates for General and Separate Charges adopted by the County Council at their meeting held on the 27th February, 1919, we hereby make rates to be levied off the County of Louth for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1920, as assessed in the rate books, and as set out as follows:—

The rates in the £ for General Charges are:
Ardee No. 1: Land Fifty five pence (55): Buildings Seventy one pence (71)
Drogheda (South) Land Sixty three " (63): Buildings Eighty four pence (84)
Dundalk Land Seventy three " (73): Buildings Ninety four pence (94)
and further that the rates in the £ in respect of Separate Charges, as set out on Form 43 and adopted at the said meeting of the 27th February, 1919, be also made by the Council.

The Chairman with Messrs P. Hamill, J.P. and J. Wynne, J.P. were appointed to sign the rate books and collectors' warrants.

County Surveyor's Application.

The next item on the Agenda was the consideration of application from the County Surveyor for revision of salary. The matter had been referred to the County Council by the Finance Committee. The application which appeared on the printed minutes was read, and replies as to salaries, allowances, and mileage of Surveyors in other Counties were also read.

After discussion the following resolution was:

Proposed by T. G. Macardle, Esq. D.L.
Seconded by T. B. McCourt, Esq.

That the salary of the County Surveyor be increased by Seventy five (£75) pounds per annum to £475.

The following Amendment was:

Proposed by J. F. Murphy Esq. J.P.
Seconded by P. Woods, Esq. J.P.

That no increase be granted to the County Surveyor.

On a division there voted —

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For the Amendment: Messrs McGee, P. Woods and J.F. Murphy: 3

Against the Amendment: Messrs Coleman, Finegan: T.C. Macardle; J.H. McArdle McCarthy: McCourt: McQuillan: Meade: O'Meara: W. Woods and Wynne 11

The amendment was declared lost, and the same voting being accepted on the resolution it was declared carried that the salary of the County Surveyor be increased by £75 per annum.

Ardee Veterinary Inspector

Letter was read from the Department dated 26th March, 1919, No. V.B. 436 stating that they would be prepared to approve of the appointment as Veterinary Inspector for the Ardee District of Mr Owen D. Neary, M.R.C.V.S. whose appointment had been made by the County Council but had not been sanctioned owing to the war.

Accordingly the following resolution was

Proposed by J.F. Murphy, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by M. Meade, Esq.
and

Resolved: That we hereby confirm the appointment of Mr Owen D. Neary, V.S. as Veterinary Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts, for the Ardee No. 1 Rural District, at the salary of thirty pounds (£30) per annum in accordance with the letter from the Department of Agriculture dated 26th March, 1919, No. V.B. 436.

Clogherhead Harbour Constable

The Secretary reported that as directed at last Finance Meeting he had advertised the position of Harbour Constable at Clogherhead, vacant by the death of Mr Patrick Hodgins.

The only application received for the position was that of Mr Hugh Hodgins, son of the late Harbour Constable, and accordingly the following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. McCarthy, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by M. Meade, Esq.
and

Resolved: That we hereby appoint Mr Hugh Hodgins as Harbour Constable at Clogherhead Harbour at a salary of £10 (Ten pounds) per annum with an allowance of £3 (Three pounds) per annum for the lighting of the pier lights.

Correspondence.

Letter acknowledging the Councils resolution at last meeting re reconstruction in Ireland was read and initialled.

Resolution submitted by the National Association of Insurance Committees (Ireland) demanding for Ireland a Ministry of Health Bill separate and distinct from that of Great Britain, drafted in consultation with Irish opinion, was read and approved.

Sanatorium Maintenance.

Letter of the Local Government Board dated 28th February, No. 9685 stating that they would approve of payment of 35/- per week for maintenance of patients in Seamount and Rossdare Sanatoria had been referred to the Tuberculosis Committee for consideration. The Committee having considered the matter, and wrote in letter dated 16th April, 1919, that they had unanimously agreed to recommend the County Council to increase the allowance to 28/- per week.

After discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by W. Woods, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by J.F. Murphy, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That we approve of the recommendation of the County South Tuberculosis Committee and decide to increase to 28/- per week per patient the allowance for maintenance of County Louth patients in Seamount Sanatorium.

Loss of Sheep

The Secretary reported that he had claimed from the London and Lancashire Fire Insurance Co, the sum of £45: 19: 0 being the amount awarded against the Council at Assizes in respect of claims for sheep alleged to have died from the effects of dipping at Aghameen Tank. After some correspondence the Insurance Company remitted the entire sum to the Council and bank receipt for lodgment of the amount was tabled. The Council considered this settlement most satisfactory

Hay and Straw Movement

Order No. 478 of the Department revoking the Hay and Straw Movement Order of 1919 was submitted and initialled

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Limits of expenditure

The Local Government Board wrote forwarding sealed Orders dated 10th April, 1919, increasing the limits of expenditure on roads in the Rural Districts as follows:- Ardee to £6000, Drogheda to £4500, and Dundalk to £12,000. The Orders were initialled.

Notification of Diseases (Animals) Order.

The Department forwarded Order No. 476, dated 14th March 1919, making notifiable by the Veterinary Practitioners and Veterinary Inspectors, various diseases in animals and allowing a fee of 2/6 for such notification. The Order was initialled.

Weights and Measures Inspectors

At the request of Mr T. D. Norris D.I., the following formal resolutions were passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by T.B. McCourt, Esq.

and

Resolved: That the County Council of Louth, being the Local Authority for the purpose of the Weights and Measures Acts, 1878 to 1904, hereby consents to the ex-officio Inspector of Weights and Measures for the time being appointed in the Petty Sessions District of Ardee prosecuting before Courts of Summary Jurisdiction or Justices any information, complaint, or proceeding arising under the Weights and Measures Acts or in the discharge of his duties as such Inspector.

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by T.B. McCourt, Esq.

and

Resolved: That the County Council of Louth being the Local Authority for the purposes of the Weights and Measures Acts, 1878 to 1904, hereby consent to the ex officio Inspector of Weights and Measures for the time being appointed in the Petty Sessions Districts of Dundalk, Castlebellingham, Carlingford, Louth and Ravensdale, prosecuting before Courts of Summary Jurisdiction or Justices any information, complaint or proceeding arising under the Weights and Measures Acts or in the discharge of their duties as such Inspector.

Workmen's Applications

The applications of the Termonfechin Branch of the Land and Labour Association and the Grangebellew Branch of the Irish Transport Workers' Union, for wage of £2:5:0 per week of forty four hours and payment for Catholic Holidays, were fully considered in Committee, and the Council was reluctantly compelled to refuse the requests, as the amounts available for Road Work would not permit of increases being granted.

T. McGee
Chairman.

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LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office.
Court House. Dundalk.
12TH JUNE, 1919.

The Annual Meeting

OF THE COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN

DROGHEDA COURT HOUSE,

ON MONDAY, 16th JUNE, 1919,

At the hour of **ONE** o'clock p.m.,

For the transaction of the undermentioned Business. Your attendance is requested.

AGENDA:

1. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year
2. Confirmation of the General Minutes of the Council
3. Confirmation of the Finance Committee Minutes
4. Confirmation of the Executive Committee Minutes
5. Consider Report of County Surveyor
6. Consideration of Proposals for Works formulated by the Rural District Councils
7. Consideration of Tenders (if any received) for Works not set by Contract at Adjourned Meetings of the Rural District Councils
8. Confirmation of Bye Laws under the Public Roads (Ireland) Act, 1911, relative to Locomotives
9. Appointment of Inspector of Food and Drugs for Petty Sessions District of Mell
10. Correspondence

CHARLES McALESTER,
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL

To each Member of the County Council

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Louth County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Annual Meeting held in the Court House, Drogheda on

Monday, 16th day of June 1919 at One o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: P. McGee, Esq, J.P.
Other Members: D.J. Rath, J.P.; N.J. Murphy, J.P.; J.C. Kieran, J.P.; M. Meade; J. Morgan; P.L. McKeon, J.P.; John Dolan; B. Finnegan; J.J. McGee, J.P.; W. Woods, J.P.; T.B. McCourt; J.J. Murphy, J.P.; J. Wynne, J.P.; J.M. Natrdle, J.P.; B. Hamill, J.P.; P. Callan, J.P.; H. Macardle, Sh.; M. MacArdle; J. McCarthy, J.P.; L. Goodman; J.P. Kearney; P.B. Moore, J.P.; J.V. MacMillan; and Stephen Feehan, Esquires

The County and Assistant Surveyor and the County Solicitor were in attendance.

Letters were read from the Clerks of the Rural Districts Councils of Ardee No 1; Drogheda (South), and Dundalk, notifying the election for the ensuing year of the following gentlemen as Chairmen:- Messrs J.C. Kieran, J.P.; P. Donegan, J.P., and William Woods, J.P.

Election of Chairman

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by N.J. Murphy, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by Michael Meade, Esq.
and.

Resolved: That Mr Patrick McGee, J.P. of Charleville, Dunleer, be and is hereby elected Chairman of the Louth County Council for the ensuing year.

Election of Vice-Chairman.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by P.B. Moore, Esq., J.P.;
Seconded by P. Donegan, Esq., J.P.
and.

Resolved: That Mr James McCarthy, J.P., of Newfoundwell, Drogheda, be and is hereby elected Vice-Chairman of the Louth County Council for the ensuing Year.

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman, having signed the Declarations

accepting office; returned thanks for their unanimous election.

Confirmation of General Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by P. B. Moore, Esq., J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the South County Council at their First Quarterly Meeting held on 24th April, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each Member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Finance Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by T. B. McCourt, Esq.
Seconded by J. McCarthy, Esq., J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Finance Committee at their meetings held on the undermentioned dates, a copy of each having been sent to each Member of the Council, with all payments and recommendations contained therein, be and are hereby confirmed:-

Monday, 28th April, 1919: Monday, 12th May, 1919
Monday, 26th May, 1919: Monday, 10th June, 1919.

Confirmation of Executive Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by P. B. Moore, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by P. Donegan, Esq., J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meetings held on the undermentioned dates, a copy of each having been sent to each Member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed:-

Monday, 12th May, 1919: Monday, 26th May, 1919.
Monday, 10th June, 1919.

Arising out of these Minutes, the Council unanimously agreed that the Secretary be empowered to make the necessary arrangements for carrying on work at the Ballymakenny Yard during the Dipping Periods.

Confirmation of County Surveyor's Report.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by J. McCarthy, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by O. J. Rath, Esq., J.P.
and.

Resolved. That the report of the County Surveyor, as appearing on Page One of the Schedule of Proposals for the 29th May, 1919, a copy of which has been furnished to each member of the Council be and is hereby approved of.

Ardee Works

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. C. Kieran, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by N. Meade, Esq.
and.

Resolved: That the Proposal for Works formulated by the Ardee No. 1 Rural District Council at their First Quarterly Meeting, held on Tuesday, 1st April, 1919, and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council, and the Contracts entered into at their Adjourned Meeting held on Tuesday, 22nd April, 1919, be and are hereby approved of; and we authorise our Secretary to affix the Common Seal of the Council to same.

Drogheda Works

The following resolution was passed unanimously

Proposed by P. Donegan, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by P. B. Moore, Esq., J.P.
and.

Resolved. That the Proposal for Works formulated by the South Rural District of Drogheda Unions at their First Quarterly Meeting held on Tuesday, 8th April, 1919, and set out on Form 20, furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

Dundalk Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously.

Proposed by C. Goodman, Esq.
Seconded by W. Woods, Esq., J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Proposal for Works formulated by the Dundalk Rural

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District Council at their First Quarterly Meeting held on Monday 7th April, 1919, and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council, and the Contracts entered into at their Adjourned Meeting held on Monday, 28th April, 1919, be and are hereby approved of, and we authorise our Secretary to affix the Common Seal of the Council to same.

No tenders were received for any of the works not set by contract at Adjourned Meetings of the Rural District Councils and the following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Works not Set by Contract.

Proposed by J. B. McCourt, Esq
Seconded by J. V. MacAuliffe, Esq.
and

Resolved: That all Works not set by Contract at Adjourned Meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee, be placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Bye-Laws - Public Roads (Ireland) Act, 1911.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by M. Meade, Esq.
and

Resolved: That we hereby approve of the Bye Laws relating to the Licensing of Locomotives under the Public Roads (Ireland) Act, 1911, as appearing at pages 20 to 22 of the printed minutes, and we hereby authorise our Secretary to affix the Common Seal of the Council to same.

On the suggestion of Mr Hamill the question of the speed of motors in the towns of the County was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

Appointment of Food & Drugs Inspector.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by T. C. Macardle, Esq., D.L.
Seconded by T. V. MacAuliffe, Esq.
and

Resolved: That we hereby appoint Sergeant Robert Stafford, R.I.C., South Quay Drogheda, as Inspector of Food & Drugs for the Petty Sessions District of Mell in the County of Louth, under the provisions of the Sales of Food & Drugs Acts.

Death of Mr Patrick Mc Donnell.

The following resolution was passed in silence, all Members standing:

Proposed by James McCarthy, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J. H. McArdle, Esq., J.P.
and

Resolved: That we beg to tender to the relatives of the late Mr Patrick Mc Donnell our sincere sympathy at his lamented death. Mr Mc Donnell has acted for a very great number of years as Poor Rate Collector in the Ardee District, and has proven himself a most painstaking, careful, efficient and reliable official. We tender to his brothers and the members of his family our sincere sympathy.

Death of Dr. P. H. O'Connell.

The following resolution was passed in silence; the members standing:

Proposed by D. J. Rath, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by T. B. McCourt, Esq.
and

Resolved: That we learn with regret of the lamented death of Dr. P. H. O'Connell, late Surgeon of the County Infirmary and Coroner for North South, and we beg to tender to his relatives our sincere sympathy.

Death of Mr Peter Murphy.

The following resolution was passed in silence, the members standing:

Proposed by P. Donegan, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by M. McArdle, Esq.
and

Resolved: That we beg to tender to our esteemed colleague Mr John F. Murphy our sincere sympathy on the lamented death of his brother, Mr Peter J. Murphy of Dundalk.

The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary associated themselves with the resolution of sympathy.

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Correspondence.

Local Government Act, 1919.

Circular letter No. 101/M. 1919, dated 12th June was read from the Local Government Board informing the Council that the next triennial election of County Councillors, Rural District Councillors and Guardians in Urban Districts, instead of being held on the ordinary day of election in 1919, are further postponed until the ordinary day of election in the Year 1920, and the term of office of existing Councillors and Guardians is extended accordingly.
The letter was initialled.

Capitation Grants.

Circular letter was read from the Dublin Citizens Association conveying copy of resolution passed by the Pembroke Urban District Council, regarding the enormously increased costs in Unions and Lunatic Asylums and calling on the State to assume full and direct responsibility and control of these institutions.
Arising out of this resolution, the following resolution was:

Proposed by Michael Meade, Esq.
Seconded by James Wynne, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That we call on the Government to apply the law of Settlement to Ireland, and to increase the Capitation Grant to Asylums, and also the Grants to Poor Law Unions to an extent proportionate to the increased cost of maintenance.

Scholarship.

Letter was read from Mr Leo McGolrick, holder of one of the County Scholarships, (who had been granted renewal of same the Year conditional on his passing the Spring and Autumn examinations of 1919) stating he had passed the Spring Examination. He asked to have the further condition of his passing the Autumn Examination withdrawn, and the Council unanimously agreed that his Scholarship for Session 1918 19 should be held by him without further condition.

Louth Infirmary.

Letter from Mr J. J. Cutler, Dundalk, regarding accommodation at Louth County Infirmary was referred to that Body.

Insurance Committees

Circular letter from National Health Insurance Commission stating that the term of office of existing Members of the Insurance Committee shall be extended to the 30th June 1920, was read.
The letter was initialled.

Representation of the People Act.

Circular letter from the Local Government Board regarding the re-arrangement of the Polling Districts of the County, was read, and the Secretary was directed to convene a Meeting of the Committee dealing with the matter after the present Register is completed, so that a final arrangement of the Districts can be made.

Industrial Schools.

Circular letter was read from the Irish Industrial and Reformatory Schools Managers requesting an increased grant for the maintenance of the children committed to these Schools. Conditional on the Local Authorities giving this increase the Treasury would grant an equivalent increase.

On the motion of B. Hamill, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by M. Meade, Esq.

the matter was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report.

Arising out of this matter the following resolution was passed unanimously.

Proposed by J. C. Macardle, Esq., D.L.
Seconded by J. McCarthy, Esq., J.P.
and

Resolved: That the General Council of County Councils be called upon to take immediate steps to impress upon the Government the urgent need of Imperial Grants being augmented for support of Lunatic Asylums and Industrial Schools, which should, in our opinion, be national charges in their entirety.

A resolution from Tyrone County Council regarding deprivation of rights under the Representation of the People Acts was marked "Read".

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Holidays

The Secretary applied for and was unanimously granted his annual leave of absence.

P. M. Fall

Chairman

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office.
Court House. Dundalk.
14TH JUNE, 1919.

Sir,

I am directed to convene

A Special Meeting

OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL, TO BE HELD IN THE

COUNCIL CHAMBER, COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,

On THURSDAY Next, the 19th day of JUNE, 1919,

At the hour of **1-30** o'clock p.m.,

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING

AGENDA:

1. Appointment of Poor Rate Collector for No. 2 Collection District, in the Rural District of Ardee No. 1, vice Mr. Patrick McDonnell, deceased.
2. Appointment of Coroner, vice Dr. P. H. O'Connell, deceased.

Your attendance is requested.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

CHARLES McALESTER,

SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council

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Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Special Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on

Thursday, 19th day of June, 1919, at the hour of 1.30 o'clock, p.m.

Present: In the Chair: P. McGee, Esq., J.P.

Other Members: Patrick Callan, J.P.; John Dolan; Joseph Dolan; P. Donegan, J.P.; Stephen Fehan; Bernard Finnegan; L. Goodman; B. Hamill, J.P.; J. Kearney; T.B. Macardle, Dl.; J.H. McArdle, J.P.; M. McArdle; James McCarthy, J.P.; T.B. McCourt; J.J. McGee, J.P.; P.L. McKeon, J.P.; T.V. MacMillan; Mr. Meade; J.F. Murphy, J.P.; N.J. Murphy, J.P.; P.B. Moore, J.P.; John Morgan; M.O'Meara, J.P.; T. O'Rourke; D.J. Rath, J.P.; W.J. Sheffington, J.P.; P. Woods, J.P.; W. Woods, J.P.; and James Wynne, J.P. Esquires.

The County Solicitor was in attendance.

The Special business of the Meeting was the appointment of a Rate Collector vice the late Mr Patrick McDonnell, and the appointment of a Coroner vice the late Dr P.H. Connell.

Appointment of Rate Collector.

The appointment of the Rate Collector was the first item on the Agenda.

Two applications were received for the position, one from Mr Laurence McDonnell, Carterstown, Drogheda, and the other from Mr Michael J McGee, Charleville, Dunleer.

The Chairman took a division between the two candidates when there voted:

For McGee: Messrs Joseph Dolan; Feehan; Finnegan; Goodman; T.B. Macardle; J.H. McArdle; Michael McArdle; McCourt; P. McGee; Meade; J.F. Murphy; Moore; Morgan; O'Meara; Rath; William Woods; and Wynne: 17

For McDonnell: Messrs Callan; John Dolan; Donegan; Hamill; Kearney; McCarthy; J.J. McGee; McKeon; MacMillan; N.J. Murphy; O'Rourke; Sheffington; and Peter Woods. 13

The Chairman declared Mr Michael McGee elected to the position, and the following resolution was passed:-

Proposed by John F. Murphy Esq. J.P.
Seconded by Denis J. Rath, Esq., J.P.

and

Resolved: That we hereby appoint Mr Michael J McGee of Charleville, Dunleer Poor Rate Collector for the Electoral Divisions of Castlebellingham, Collon; Doomin; Drumcar, Dunleer and Stabannon, in the Ardee Rural District, on the terms and conditions as set out in the advertisement issued by our Secretary, viz:- Poundage fees at the rate of 6½d in the £ on all monies collected and lodged to the credit of the Council, with an additional ½ in the £ when 25% of his half Yearly warrants is lodged by 31st July and 31st December in each Year, and in accordance with the Orders, Rules and Regulations of the Local Government Board: together with the prescribed fees for the duties he will be required to perform under the Franchise and Juror's Acts.

Mr Michael McGee having been called before the Council and informed of his appointment, suitably returned thanks.

Appointment of Coroner.

The next item on the Agenda, the appointment of a Coroner vice Dr. P.H. O'Connell, was then taken up.

Applications for the position were read from Dr. P.J. Finnegan, Carlingford; Mr James McCourt, Solicitor, Dundalk; Mr James M. Murphy, Solicitor, Dundalk, and Patrick J. Roe, Solicitor, Dundalk.

The Council unanimously agreed to dispense with the formality of proposing the candidates, and to proceed with divisions between them; and it was also unanimously agreed that the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes in each division would drop out.

The Chairman then proceeded to take a vote between the four candidates with the following result:-

For Dr. Finegan: Messrs John Dolan; Hamill; Kearney; J.H. McArdle; McCarthy; MacMillan; Moore; O'Meara; Peter Woods; William Woods. 10

For McCourt: Messrs Goodman; T.B. Macardle; McCourt; P. McGee; Morgan; O'Rourke; Wynne; Meade. 8

For Murphy: Messrs Callan; Joseph Dolan; Donegan; Fehan; J.J. McGee; McKeon; N.J. Murphy; Rath; Sheffington. 9

For Roe: Messrs Finnegan; Michael McArdle; and J.F. Murphy. 3

Mr Roe having received the least number of votes in the division dropped out, and the Chairman proceeded to take a division between the remaining candidates, when there voted:-

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For Dr. Finegan: Messrs John Dolan; Finnegan; Hamill, Kearney; J. H. MacArdle, McCarthy; MacMillan; Moore, O'Meara; O'Rourke, Peter Woods, and William Woods. 12

For McCourt: Messrs Goodman; T. C. Macardle; McCourt, P. McGee; Meade, J. T. Murphy; Morgan, Wynne: 8

For Murphy: Messrs Callan; Joseph Dolan; Donegan; Fahan; M. MacArdle; J. T. McGee; McKeon; N. T. Murphy, Rath, and Skeffington: 10

Mr McCourt having received the lowest number of votes in this division, dropped out, and on a division between the two remaining candidates there voted:

For Dr. Finegan: Messrs John Dolan; Finnegan; Hamill, Kearney T. C. Macardle; J. H. MacArdle; McCarthy; MacMillan; Moore; O'Meara; O'Rourke, Peter Woods, and William Woods: 13

For Murphy: Messrs Callan; Joseph Dolan; Donegan; Fahan; Goodman; M. MacArdle; McCourt; P. McGee; J. T. McGee; McKeon; Meade; J. T. Murphy; N. T. Murphy; Morgan; Rath; Skeffington and Wynne: 17

The Chairman declared Mr James T. Murphy elected to the position of Coroner, and the following resolution was passed:

Proposed by James T. McGee, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by C. T. Skeffington, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That we hereby appoint Mr James T. Murphy of Francis Street, Dundalk Coroner for the County at the Salary of £66 per annum, in accordance with the advertisement issued by our Secretary, and we assign to him the same district as the late Coroner.

Mr N. T. Murphy, J.P. on behalf of the new Coroner, thanked the Council for his election, and

Council Adjourned.

P. Bligh

Chairman.

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office.
Court House. Dundalk.
24TH JULY, 1919.

By direction of the Chairman,

The Second Quarterly Meeting of the Council (which fell through on 24th instant for want of a quorum) will be held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on **MONDAY**, the **28th** day of **JULY, 1919,** at the hour of **10** o'clock a.m., for the transaction of the following Business, which Meeting you are hereby requested to attend.

AGENDA:

1. Confirmation of the General Minutes of the Council.
2. Confirmation of the Finance Committee Minutes.
3. Confirmation of the Proposal Committee Minutes.
4. Consideration of Proposals for Payments formulated by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
5. Fix dates for Third Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
6. Consider application from Irish Industrial and Reformatory Schools Managers' Association for increased Capitation Allowance.
7. NOTICE OF MOTION:—

   "I hereby give Notice, that at the next Meeting of the Louth County Council I shall move that the sum of £100 provided for Forestry purposes in this year's Estimate of Rates, be placed at the disposal of the Forestry Committee of the Council for the work of tree planting this season."

   (Signed), JAMES T. M'GEE.

   15th July, 1919.
8. Correspondence.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

CHARLES McALESTER,

SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council

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Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Second Quarterly Meeting held on 28th July, 1919 at Ten o'clock, a.m.

Present: In the Chair: P. McGee, Esq. J.P.
Other Members: J. McCarthy, J.P. J. Wynne, J.P., J.C. Kieran, J.P. J.J. McGee, J.P. J. Morgan; B. Finnegan; T.C. Macardle, Dl.; B. Hamill, J.P., W. Woods, J.P. and P. Woods, J.P., Esquires.

The County and Assistant Surveyor and the County Solicitor were in attendance.

The Chairman explained that the meeting of the Council which was called for Thursday 24th instant fell through owing to the non attendance of a quorum, and he had directed the Secretary to convene the meeting for this day.

Confirmation of General Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J.J. McGee, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J. McCarthy, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Annual Meeting held on 16th June, 1919, and their Special Meeting held on 19th June, 1919, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Finance Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by W. Woods, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Finance Committee at their meetings held on the undermentioned dates, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, with all payments and recommendations contained therein, be and are hereby confirmed:-

Monday, 23rd June, 1919.
Monday, 7th July 1919.
Monday, 21st July, 1919.

Confirmation of Proposal Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J. McCarthy, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Proposal Committee at their Second Quarterly Meeting held on 7th July, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Ardee Payments

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by J.C. Kieran, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J.J. McGee, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Proposal for payments formulated by the Ardee No. 1 Rural District Council at their Second Quarterly Meeting held on 1st July, 1919, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £739:1:0.

Drogheda Payments

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. McCarthy, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by B. Hamill, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the proposal for payments formulated by the South Rural District of Drogheda Union at their Second Quarterly Meeting held on 8th July, 1919, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £234.19.6.

Dundalk Payments

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by W. Woods Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J. Morgan, Esq.
and

Resolved: That the proposal for payments formulated by the Dundalk Rural District Council at their Second Quarterly Meeting held

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on 7th July, 1919, and set out on Form 22. furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £977:13:0.

County-at-Large Payments.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by T.C. Macardle, Esq. D.L.
Seconded by J. Wynne, Esq., J.P.
and.

Resolved. That the proposal for payments formulated by the Proposal Committee at their Second Quarterly Meeting held on 7th July, 1919, and set out on Form 22. furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £11,316:3:8.

Dates of Quarterly Meetings.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by J. McCarthy, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by J.C. Kieran, Esq., J.P.
and.

Resolved: That the South County Council hereby determine that the following shall be the dates for the holding of the Third Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils:-

Ardee: 7th October, 1919: Dundalk: 6th October, 1919; Drogheda: 14th October, 1919. and that the Proposal Committee meet on 13th October, 1919.

Industrial Schools Application.

The application of the Irish Industrial Schools' Managers Association which had been considered by the Finance Committee, and referred to the County Council was next on the Agenda. The application was for an additional 1/6 (one shilling and sixpence) per head per week for each child maintained in these Institutions, the Treasury agreeing to give a similar allowance if this is granted. If a lesser sum than 1/6d was given, the Treasury would give an equivalent amount.

The Secretary tabled replies from various County Councils in Ireland regarding their decision on this application. Nine Councils had not as yet formally considered the application. Five had considered it and refused any increase.

Twelve had, on consideration, increased their allowance by 3d to 2/6 per head weekly.

After considerable discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by T.C. Macardle, Esq., D.L.
and

Resolved: That we decide to grant an additional one shilling and sixpence (1/6d) per head per week to Industrial Schools within the County of South, and an additional one shilling (1/-) per head per week to all other Reformatory and Industrial Schools in respect of South children admitted to these Institutions, conditional on the Treasury granting a similar increase. The increases to date from 1st April, 1919.

Forestry

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Mr. J.J. McGee, J.P. was proposed by him. After discussion it was decided to add to same that the Forestry Committee be a Committee of the whole Council, and the resolution as follows was passed unanimously.

Proposed by J.J. McGee, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by T.C. Macardle, Esq., D.L.
and

Resolved: That the sum of One hundred pounds (£100) provided for Forestry purposes in this year's Estimate of Rates be placed at the disposal of the Forestry Committee of the Council for the work of tree planting this season; and that the Forestry Committee be a Committee be a Committee of the whole Council.

Address to Mr Joseph Devlin, M.P.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by P. McGee, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by J. McCarthy, Esq., J.P.
and

Resolved: That on behalf of the South County Council an address be presented to Mr Joseph Devlin, M.P., on the occasion of his visit to Blackrock on 15th August.

The Secretary was directed to arrange for the preparation of an illuminated address accordingly.

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Correspondence.

Letters were read from Mr J. J. Murphy J.P., Mrs O'Connell, and Mr Laurence McDonnell, thanking the Council for votes of condolence passed in their recent bereavements.

Letter was read from Mr J. J. Dolan, M. A, appealing on behalf of Omeath Irish College. The letter was initialled

P. McGell

Chairman.

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office.
Court House, Dundalk.
15TH AUGUST, 1919.

The Second (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting of the Louth County Council will be held in the **COURT HOUSE, DROGHEDA,** on **THURSDAY,** the **21st** day of **AUGUST, 1919,** at the hour of **ONE** o'clock p.m., for the transaction of the following Business, which Meeting you are hereby requested to attend.

AGENDA:

1. Confirmation of the General Minutes of the Council.
2. Confirmation of the Finance Committee Minutes.
3. Confirmation of the Executive Committee Minutes.
4. Confirmation of the Proposal Committee Minutes.
5. Consider Report from County Surveyor.
6. Consideration of Proposals for Works formulated by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
7. Consider Tenders (if any received) for Works not set by Contract at Adjourned Meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
8. Co-option of members on Fane and Wottonstown Drainage District Committees, vice Captain W. A. Doran and Sir A. V. Foster, Bart.
9. Co-option of member on Joint Committee of Technical Instruction, vice Captain W. A. Doran.
10. Correspondence.

CHARLES McALESTER,
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council

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Louth County Council.

The following gentlemen attended at the Court House, Drogheda on Thursday, 21st August, 1919, at the hour of One o'clock, p.m., as per Agenda, but as this did not constitute a quorum no meeting was held.:

Members present: W. T. Sheffington, J.P.; Peter B. Moore, J.P.; John Dolan; Bernard Finnegan, Esquires

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office,
Court House, Dundalk.
19TH SEPTEMBER, 1919.

I am directed by the Chairman to convene a **SPECIAL MEETING** of the Louth County Council, to be held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on **THURSDAY, 25th SEPTEMBER, 1919,** at the hour of **1-30** o'clock p.m., for the transaction of the following Business, which Meeting you are hereby requested to attend.

AGENDA:

1. Confirmation of the General Minutes of the Council.
2. Confirmation of the Finance Committee Minutes.
3. Confirmation of the Executive Committee Minutes.
4. Confirmation of the Proposal Committee Minutes.
5. Confirmation of the Scholarship Committee Minutes.
6. Confirmation of the Forestry Committee Minutes.
7. Consider Report from County Surveyor.
8. Consideration of Proposals for Works formulated by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
9. Consider Tenders (if any received) for Works not set by Contract at Adjourned Meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
10. **Consider Report and Recommendations of Asylum Enquiry Committee regarding the establishment of a Separate Asylum for Louth County.**
11. Co-option of members on Fane and Wottonstown Drainage District Committees, vice Captain W. A. Doran and Sir A. V. Foster, Bart.
12. Co-option of member on Joint Committee of Technical Instruction, vice Captain W. A. Doran.
13. Correspondence.

CHARLES McALESTER,
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council.

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Thursday, 25th September, 1919, at the hour of 1.30 o'clock p.m.

Present: In the Chair: P. McGee, Esq. J.P.
Other Members: M. O'Meara, J.P.; J.J. McGee, J.P.; J.B. Kieran, J.P.; P. Woods, J.P.; M. Meade; P.B. Moore, J.P.; J.V. MacAuliffe, J.P.; J. Wynne, J.P.; B. Hamill, J.P.; J.W. Montrose, J.P.; B. Finnegan, S. Fehan, and B.J. Coleman, J.P., Esquires.

The County and Assistant Surveyors and P.J. Roe (acting for Mr. O'Connell) were in attendance.

Confirmation of General Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by P.B. Moore, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J.V. MacAuliffe Esq.
and.

Resolved: That the minutes of the proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Second Quarterly Meeting, held on the 28th July, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Finance Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J.B. Kieran, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by M. Meade, Esq.
and.

Resolved: That the minutes of the proceedings of the Finance Committee at their meetings held on the undermentioned dates, with all payments and recommendations contained therein, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed:

Tuesday, 5th August, 1919.
Monday, 18th August, 1919.

Confirmation of Forestry Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J.J. McGee, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by J. Wynne, Esq., J.P.
and

Resolved: That the minutes of the proceedings of the Forestry Committee at their meeting held on the 18th September, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Scholarship Committee Minutes

In connection with the application of Mr Joseph McEvoy, Drogheda, for a County Scholarship, which he proposed to hold at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, and which the Scholarship Committee had on that account to refuse, Mr P.B. Moore, J.P. read letter from Father McShane of Derry, who stated that students holding Scholarships under Donegal County Council were permitted to pursue their courses at Maynooth.

After hearing the opinion of Mr Roe, who stated that he believed from his reading of the Universities (Ireland) Act, that the Scholarship could not be held at Maynooth, but that it would be desirable to have Counsel's opinion, the following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by B. Finnegan Esq.
and

Resolved: That the minutes of the proceedings of the Scholarship Committee at their meeting held on the 18th September, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed, and we hereby award a scholarship of £60 per annum to Miss Mary Cecelia Murphy, 40, Church Street, Dundalk, and a scholarship of £60 per annum to Mr Joseph McEvoy, Drogheda, if Counsel's opinion is in favour of the award of the scholarship to him in the special circumstances of the case; and renew the scholarships of Messrs Mc Enteggart and Mathews for a third year, but in Mr McEnteggart's case the renewal to be conditional on his passing his September examination; and renew the Scholarships of Messrs Gormley and Faul for the second year, but in Mr Faul's case renewal to be conditional on his passing his September examination.

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Confirmation of County Surveyor's Report

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by P. Woods, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That the report of the County Surveyor, as appearing on page one of the Schedule of Proposals for the 21st August, 1919, a copy of which has been furnished to each member of the Council, be and is hereby confirmed.

Ardee Works

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by J. G. Kieran, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by J. F. McGee, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Proposals for Works formulated by the Ardee No. 1 Rural District Council at their Second Quarterly Meeting held on 1st July, 1919, and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council and the Contracts entered into at their Adjourned Meeting held on 22nd July, 1919 be and are hereby approved of, and we authorise our Secretary to affix the common Seal of the Council to same.

Drogheda Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. V. MacQuillan, Esq.
Seconded by P. B. Moore, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Proposals for Works formulated by the South Rural District of Drogheda Union, at their Second Quarterly Meeting held on Tuesday, 8th July, 1919, and set out on Form 20, furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

Dundalk Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by J. H. McArdle, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Proposals for Works formulated by the Dundalk Rural District Council at their Second Quarterly Meetings held on

7th July, 1919, and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council and the Contracts entered into at their Adjourned Meeting held on 28th July, 1919, be and are hereby approved of, and we authorise our Secretary to affix the common Seal of the Council to same.

County-at-Large Works

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by S. Feehan, Esq,
Seconded by M. Meade, Esq.
and

Resolved: That the Proposals for Works formulated by the Proposal Committee at their Second Quarterly Meeting held on 7th July, 1919, and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

Works not Taken.

No tenders were received for any of the works not set by Contract at Adjourned Meetings of the Rural District Council or Proposal Committee, and the following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by B. Hamill, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Proposals for Works passed by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee at their last Quarterly Meetings, and for which no contracts have been entered into, be placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Confirmation of Report of Asylum Enquiry Committee

The Report of the Asylum Enquiry Special Scheme Committee (copy of which is appended) was submitted for confirmation

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REPORT

OF

SPECIAL ASYLUM COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO DEVISE SCHEME FOR SEPARATE ASYLUM FOR COUNTY LOUTH.

Your Special Committee appointed to enquire into a proposal for a separate Lunatic Asylum for Louth County, have come to the conclusion that such an institution may be established and worked AT LESS ANNUAL COST than is entailed by the present arrangement.

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COST OF RICHMOND.

It is deemed advisable to review the reasons why the secession from Richmond Asylum is considered desirable. In the financial year to the 31st March, 1902, the demand from Richmond Asylum Joint Committee on the Louth County Council was for the sum of £9,083 4s 8d. In the year 1911-12 the amount had increased to £12,038, and in 1913-14, the year before the war, to £12,395. In 1917-18 it was £15,214; 1918-19, £18,006, and in the present year, 1919-20, £22,915, with a certain prospect of progressive increases in the future, as the Joint Committee contemplate increased expenditure to provide accommodation for an increased staff to enable shorter hours to be given to the present employees. With this outlook, your Committee consider it high time to establish an Asylum for Co. Louth patients in the County, which it is believed can be run for LESS ANNUAL expenditure than the present cost, and which in the interests of Louth will be economically sound, as all the money will be spent in the County.

With the view of obtaining exact information your Sub-Committee have paid visits to the Belfast Asylum at Purdysburn, and to the Monaghan Asylum, and were courteously received at both Institutions, and were afforded every facility for complete inspection of their workings. They obtained all necessary information as to figures for maintenance, etc, which has enabled them to prepare a comparative statement for the cost of equipping and maintaining a suitable Asylum in Louth County.

ARDEE WORKHOUSE AVAILABLE.

As you are aware, a Committee representing the Louth County Council held a conference with the Ardee Board of Guardians, and the latter body have passed a resolution deciding to hand over Ardee Workhouse to the County Council for conversion to a Lunatic Asylum for County Louth patients, conditional on a hospital suitable to their requirements being provided by the County Council.

Your Committee obtained the services of the well-known Architect, Mr Ralph H Byrne, of Dublin, who has had considerable experience of Asylum work. He has made a careful estimate of the cost of the conversion of Ardee Workhouse to an Asylum capable of accommodating the County Louth Asylum patients. (Copy of this estimate is appended).

ARDEE HOUSE AND GROUNDS TO PROVIDE HOSPITAL AND FARM WITH NECESSARY BUILDINGS.

Four gentlemen in Ardee and District (two of whom are members of the County Council) who are anxious to assist the scheme, have purchased the beautiful and commodious mansion known as Ardee House, and 60 acres of land, for £8,500, to be handed over to the County should the scheme materialise. The House is eminently suitable, without any considerable outlay, for use as a Hospital for Ardee, and the land provides the farm for the proposed Asylum. This property is separated from the Workhouse by the river Dee, and the purchase of a pass and erection of a bridge over the river have been included with the price of the property in Mr Byrne's estimate. Mr Byrne's estimate of the cost of conversion of the Workhouse buildings to an Asylum capable of accommodating 347 patients, with Resident Medical Superintendent's House and all necessary furniture and equipment is £61,000.

FINANCIAL.

It is proposed to provide the funds necessary for financing the scheme by the issue of County Stock. A special deputation from your Committee have had this matter in hands, and after consultations with the various local Banks, and with Sir Henry Robinson, the Vice-President of the Local Government Board, with reference to the issue of the stock, and a proposed amendment of the Orders governing same, the following proposal is submitted for your adoption:—

The County Stock to be issued is for £65,000 at 5½ per cent. The Directors of the Hibernian Bank have agreed to underwrite a sum of £32,500 of this stock, provided the balance is taken up locally. From enquiries made privately by those interested in the matter, your Committee have no doubt that the necessary amount will be subscribed on the favourable terms above-mentioned. For the redemption of the stock it is proposed to set

aside £1,000 annually to be invested at 5 per cent compound interest, and in thirty years the entire amount of £65,000 will be paid off.

MAINTENANCE OF ARDEE ASYLUM.

Your Committee have gone into minute details as regards the cost of maintenance of the patients and staff at an Asylum in Ardee. The average cost of maintenance in all the Asylums in Ireland has been examined and the dietary scales compared. The figures for maintenance at Monaghan Asylum have been checked by your Secretary with the Asylum Clerk, and the Committee have accepted as a basis the average cost at Monaghan Asylum.

As regards the County's liability for its proportion of the existing Richmond Asylum Loans, your Committee are assuming for the purposes of this report, that this liability will continue until the expiry of these loans, but in view of the fact that the Richmond Joint Committee will require to provide additional buildings to accommodate the extra officials and staff required, it is quite likely that if the Louth patients are removed to a County Asylum the necessity for additional buildings will not arise, and an arrangement can probably be made for a remission of the loan charges against County Louth.

COMPARATIVE COST.

Taking the full figures as a basis of all the expenditure for the conversion of Ardee Workhouse, provision of a hospital for Ardee, interest on County Stock and its annual redemption, repayment of proportion of Richmond Loans, and the cost of maintenance of 334 patients, medical staff and all [illegible]rs and servants, and the salaries of all, your Committee have estimated that the entire annual charge will not exceed £22,473. As the present demand on County Louth is £22,915, it will thus be seen that a saving will be effected from the start. While submitting these figures as a probable maximum charge on the County funds, your Committee believe that there will be a gradual reduction of the number of patients in an Asylum at Ardee, and that a much greater sum will be secured from paying patients, thus effecting a considerably greater saving in years to come.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Your Committee recommend:—

(a) That a separate Asylum for County Louth patients be established at Ardee, by taking over Ardee Workhouse, and converting it to an Asylum.

(b) The purchase of Ardee House and Grounds to be carried out when the scheme is approved.

(c) That immediate steps be taken to memorialise the Lord Lieutenant to grant the necessary sanction to secede from the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum.

(d) Instruct the Co. Solicitor to take such steps for these purposes as are necessary.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

P M'Gee, P Canon Lyons, P P; T F M'Gahon, T L M'Gee M Campbell, J T M'Gee, J C Kieran, B Hamill, James Wynne, James M'Carthy, T Callan Macardle.

Dated 8th September, 1919.

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REPORT

OF

MR. R. H. BYRNE, M.R.I.A.

———

20, Suffolk Street, Dublin,
2nd September, 1919.

Re Proposed Conversion of Ardee Workhouse into an Asylum.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with your instructions I carefully examined the Ardee Workhouse on various occasions, and made plans of the existing buildings with a view to ascertaining what alterations would be required to convert them into accommodation for about 359 lunatic patients. I obtained considerable information since my preliminary report with regard to the possibilities of acquiring suitable additional land and buildings in the vicinity.

I am now in a position to state that in my opinion this Workhouse can, with certain alterations and additions, be converted into a very suitable Asylum, giving the required accommodation for about £64,000.

The existing buildings are generaly speaking sound and substantial, and can readily be adapted to Asylum requirements. They consist of four blocks, two of which are connected by a large Hall and Chapel.

The site is oper and well above the surrounding country, conveniently situated with regard to the town and railway.

The aspect is Easterly, and good bright Day Rooms can be obtained on each floor.

Ample water for washing and flushing purposes can be obtained from the river Dee, which runs within a few hundred yards of the building, and a good and constant supply of drinking water is, I understand, at all times available, and pumped from two existing wells.

The town is very fortunate to have an efficient electrical plant from which the present buildings are lighted. The proprietors of this plant are, I believe, not only prepared to thoroughly light the buildings for Asylum purposes, but are also willing to provide sufficient current for any Laundry or other machinery which may be found necessary.

The Workhouse stands on about 5 acres of land, including that occupied by the building, but Ardee House, which is adjacent to it, can be acquired with about 60 acres of undulating land, two cottages and good farmyard buildings, for £8,500. A right of way to same can be acquired from the Workhouse grounds for £60, and a simple bridge can be built over the river for about £500.

Ardee House is in excellent repair and most suitable in every way for conversion into a Hospital for the Ardee district, which would take the place of the present Workhouse Infirmary.

The land surrounding Ardee House, with the 5 acres on which the Workhouse stands, would be ample for the employment and recreation of patients. Two additional acres of land near the river can be acquired for sewage disposal works.

The Farm Buildings attached to Ardee House should be ample for the present requirements of the Asylum, and one of the cottages on the property would provide accommodation for the Steward and the other for the Asylum Engineer.

There are also fine well-stocked walled-in gardens and glass houses, which would provide both fruit and vegetables for the patients.

The Workhouse Buildings will, by raising the centre portion of the Centre Block and constructing new Lavatory Blocks, new Laundry and extensions to Kitchen, give good accommodation for the following number of patients, allowing 50 feet superficial per patient for ordinary sleeping accommodation, and 80 feet superficial for Hospital Dormitories, with 30 feet superficial per patient for all Day Rooms.

FRONT OR ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK.

GROUND FLOOR—Entrance Hall, Porter's Office, Waiting Room, Board Room, Clerk's Office, Lavatory and Cloak Room.

FIRST FLOOR—Assistant Resident Medical Superintendent's Quarters, consisting of two Bedrooms, 2 Sitting Rooms, Kitchen, Bathroom and Lavatory. To each side of this block should be added one-storey wing buildings, giving accommodation for about 14 Male and 10 Female Attendants in separate rooms, with necessary bath and lavatory accommodation.

CENTRAL BLOCK—This building at present consists of a two-storey Central Building, with wings at either end, three storeys high. By raising the central portion to three storeys, and building lavatory blocks, accommodation can be obtained for 135 Male and 135 Female patients and Matron's quarters. There is also a basement under portion of each wing which can be used when properly floored, lighted and ventilated, for Storekeeper's Office and Stores, and for general bathrooms, and perhaps some workshops. The existing Dining Hall and Chapel can be re-used for their present purposes when renovated. The existing kitchen, which adjoins Dining Hall, can be extended and brought up to date. A new Laundry and Female Dining Room should be added adjoining the Kitchen, and the existing Laundry on the opposite side of Dining Hall can be converted into Male Dining Room, Boiler House, and Coal Store.

HOSPITAL BUILDING—The two Hospital Buildings can with some comparatively slight alterations, and additional Lavatories and Baths, be converted into accommodation for 14 Male and 13 Female Observation Patients, and 32 Male Hospital and 18 Female Hospital Patients, making in all accommodation for 347 Patients, which should be sufficient for the district.

As you are no doubt aware, it is at present practically impossible, owing to the constant fluctuation in the cost of both materials and labour, to give an accurate estimate of the cost of any building work. I have, however, in accordance with your wishes gone as carefully as possible into the cost of this scheme, taking into account the various modifications and economies suggested at the different meetings held since my preliminary report was issued, and I am of opinion that the following expenditure should provide for the conversion of Ardee Workhouse into a suitable Asylum for 347 Lunatics, with all necessary land out-offices and Attendants' accommodation:—

Conversion of Front Block with the necessary additions and alterations, including plastering new windows, etc,	£5,500 0 0
Conversion of Central Block, including alterations to Kitchen, laying new and repairing old floors, plastering walls and ceilings, breaking out opes and altering old windows, providing new staircases, Sanitary Blocks, raising centre portion one storey, and providing new Laundry, etc,	25,000 0 0
Hospital Block	3,000 0 0
Conversion of existing Fever Hospital into Female Hospital accommodation	300 0 0
Resident Medical Superintendent's House	3,000 0 0
Drainage and Sewage Disposal Works	3,500 0 0
Boiler, Calorifiers, Heating System, Additional Water Supply and Tanks, Modified Laundry Fittings. (Town Electrical Power to be used for working Machinery)	6,000 0 0
Plumbing and Sanitary Fittings	3,000 0 0
Conversion of existing Lighting System	300 0 0
Ardee House, which will provide Public Hospital, Steward's and Engineer's Houses, Farm Buildings, and 60 acres Land	8,500 0 0
Two acres of Land at river for Sewage Disposal Works	200 0 0
Right of Way to Ardee House	60 0 0
Bridge over River	500 0 0
Purchase of Furniture, assuming that all Work house Furniture and Beds can be obtained for Asylum purposes	3,000 0 0
Contingencies, say,	2,140 0 0
	£64,000 0 0

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I may mention that there is an excellent Bakery in the town; I have not, therefore, calculated on any Bakery being required in the Asylum.

In the foregoing report I trust I have given your Council all the information they require, but if there is any further assistance I can render them, I will be most happy to hear from you at your convenience.

Yours faithfully,

RALPH H. BYRNE, M R I A I.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That we hereby confirm the Report of the Asylum Enquiry Committee as embodied in the Report of the Special Scheme Committee appearing at pages 1 to 5 of the printed minutes, and that we accept the offer of the Board of Guardians of Ardee Union to hand over the Ardee Workhouse to the Louth County Council for the establishment of an Asylum. That we approve of the purchase of Ardee House and grounds; the House to be equipped as a Hospital for the requirements of the Guardians, should the scheme be carried out; the grounds to be used in connection with the proposed Asylum, and we hereby decide (a) that a separate Asylum for County Louth Asylum patients be established at Ardee, by taking over Ardee Workhouse, and converting it into an Asylum. (b) That the purchase of Ardee House and grounds be carried out when the scheme is approved. (c) That immediate steps be taken to memorialise the Lord Lieutenant to grant the necessary sanction to secede from Richmond District Lunatic Asylum Joint Committee, and (d) That the County Solicitor take such steps for these purposes as are necessary.

On the motion of J. V. MacAuliffe, Esq.
Seconded by Michael Meade, Esq.

a vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the members of the Asylum Enquiry Committee for their work in connection with the preparation of the scheme, and the Committee were reappointed.

Cooption of Members on Law and Wottonstown Drainage District Committees

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by Michael Meade, Esq.
Seconded by J. J. McGee, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved:- That we hereby co-opt Mr Stephen Feehan of Mansfieldstown, and Mr James Wynne, J.P. of Dundalk, members on the Law and Wottonstown Drainage District Committees, vice Captain W. A. Doran and Sir H. Foster, Bart.

Cooption of Member on Joint Committee of Technical Instruction

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by M. Meade, Esq.
and

Resolved: That we hereby co-opt Mr J. C. Kieran, J.P. of Ashville, a member on the Joint Committee of Technical Instruction, vice Captain W. A. Doran.

Drogheda Demand.

Letter was read from the Borough Treasurer of Drogheda, enclosing Paying Order for the sum of £3800 being moiety of County Councils Demand on the Corporation for Year 1919-20.

The letter was initialled.

Malicious Injury Law.

Resolution from Armagh County Council calling for a revision of the new Criminal Injuries Law was adopted.

County Committee Grant.

The Secretary of the County Committee of Agriculture wrote requesting the transfer before the end of the current half Year of the moiety of Amount payable by County Council, so that the entry might appear in the accounts for this period. The request was unanimously acceded to, and the Secretary was directed to make the transfer accordingly. The Secretary was also directed to adopt the same procedure with regard to the payment to the Joint Committee for Technical Instruction.

Drogheda Borough Coroner.

Letter was read from the Town Clerk, Drogheda, informing the County Council that the Corporation had appointed Mr. C. J. Kieran, Solicitor, Lawrence Street, Drogheda, as Coroner for the Borough of Drogheda, at a salary of forty pounds (£40) per annum.

The letter was initialled.

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Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1919.

The Local Government Board wrote transmitting copy of the above Act, also copy of instructions regarding the holding of Elections under the Proportional Representation Act, which latter was referred to Mr P. J. Roe, Returning Officer.

Arbitration Awards.

Letters from Irish County Council Officials' Association and the Institution of Municipal Engineers regarding the application of the above Award, and with regard to minimum salaries and allowances for Assistant Surveyors were referred to the Finance Committee.

Housing (Ireland) Act, 1919.

The Local Government Board wrote transmitting copy of Section no 4 Part II of the Housing (Ireland) Act, 1919, amending the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act 1899, to the extent that £800 shall be substituted for £400 as the limit of the market value of houses in respect of which advances may be made by the Local Authority and 90% shall be substituted for four-fifths with respect to the limitation on the amount which may be advanced. The correspondence was read and initialled.

National Development Company of Ireland, Ltd.

Letter dated 27th August 1919 was read from above, stating that the Company had entered into a contract with a Trust composed of Irish-American & Scottish Trustees, in consequence of which an advance of £150,000,000 had been arranged for Irish Housing. Advances repayable in fifty years at five per cent per annum (which includes principal and interest).

The matter was referred to the Asylum Enquiry Committee.

Forestry.

Letter from Dail Eireann regarding Arbor Day was referred to the Forestry Committee.

Resolutions.

Resolution submitted by Westmeath County Council condemning the murders and outrages throughout the country was unanimously adopted, on the motion of B Finnegan, Esq. Seconded by A Meade, Esq.

Resolution expressing surprise at the decision of the Military Authorities to restrict the supply of home killed meat to the troops, and to substitute frozen meat, was read from Irish Cattle Traders' and Stock Owners' Association, and unanimously adopted.

W. J. Heffington Chairman.

Chas W. Chester Secretary

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LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office,
Court House, Dundalk,
7TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

The Third Quarterly Meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on **THURSDAY,** the 13th day of **NOVEMBER, 1919,** at the hour of **1-30** o'clock p.m., for the purpose of considering the following Business, which Meeting you are requested to attend.

AGENDA:

1. Confirmation of the General Minutes of the Council.
2. Confirmation of the Finance Committee Minutes.
3. Confirmation of the Proposal Committee Minutes.
4. Confirmation of the Executive Committee Minutes and Local Committee Minutes.
5. Confirmation of the Scholarship Committee Minutes, and consideration of opinion of Counsel relative to awarding of Scholarship to Mr M'Evoy.
6. Confirmation of the Forestry Committee Minutes.
7. Confirmation of the Asylum Committee Minutes.
8. Consider Proposals for Payments formulated by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
9. Fix Dates for Fourth Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
10. Consider Application from Mr L. M'Goldrick for Renewal of Scholarship for fourth year.
11. Appointment of Inspectors of Food and Drugs for the Petty Sessions Districts of Termonfeckin, Collon, Ravensdale, Dunleer, Carlingford, and Louth.
12. NOTICE OF MOTION:—

    I beg to give Notice that at the next Meeting of the County Council I shall move to draw attention to the injustice to the Ratepayers of County Louth involved by the refusal of wealthy relatives of patients in Richmond. Asylum to contribute to the cost of maintenance of such patients, now chargeable to the rates as pauper lunatics.
    Dated this 13th day of October, 1919.

    MICHAEL MEADE.

13. Appointment of County Louth War Pensions Committee.
14. Correspondence.

CHARLES McALESTER,
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council.

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Louth County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Third Quarterly Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Thursday, 13th day of November, 1919, at the hour of 1.30 o'clock p.m.

Present: In the Chair: W. J. Sheffington, Esq., J.P.
Other Members: M. Meade; J. V. McKuillan; O. B. Moore, J.P.; J. H. Mastrile, J.P.; J. Wynne, J.P.; B. Hamill, J.P.; S. Feehan; B. L. Coleman, J.P.; L. Goodman; and W^m Woods, J.P., Esquires.

The County and Assistant Surveyors and the County Solicitor were in attendance.

Confirmation of General Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by O. B. Moore, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by B. Hamill, Esq., J.P.

Resolved: and

That the minutes of proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Special Meeting held on the 25th September, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Finance Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by J. V. Mackuillan, Esq.
Seconded by L. Goodman, Esq.

Resolved: and

That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Finance Committee at their meetings held on the undermentioned dates, with all payments and recommendations contained therein, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed:-

Monday, 1st September, 1919.
Monday, 15th September, 1919.
Monday, 29th September, 1919.
Monday, 13th October, 1919.
Monday, 27th October, 1919.
Monday, 10th November, 1919.

Confirmation of Proposal Committee Minutes.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by P. B. Moore, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Proposal Committee at their meetings held on the undermentioned dates, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed:-
Monday, 13th October, 1919: Monday, 10th November, 1919.

Confirmation of Executive Committee Minutes and Aghaneen Tank Committee Minutes.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by P. B. Moore, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by N. Meade, Esq.
and

Resolved: That the minutes of the proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting held on the 1st September, 1919, and of the Aghaneen and Ravensdale Tank Local Committee at their meeting held on 8th September, 1919, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Scholarship Committee Minutes.

At the meeting of the Scholarship Committee held on 27th October, Council's opinion with regard to the grant of a Scholarship to be held at Maynooth was read, and it was decided to put the further query set out below to Council and to refer his reply and the whole question of awarding a Scholarship to Mr Joseph McEvoy, Drogheda, to the County Council. Accordingly the matter was specially set out on the Agenda, and the following reply from Council to the query put was read:

Re County Council Scholarship Scheme.

Further Query: Can the County Council grant the Scholarship to any student who purposes using his Scholarship at Maynooth College under the conditions of the County Council Scholarship Scheme, 1919-20?

Reply. I thought I had made it quite clear that the religious issue does not affect the matter. Under the County Scheme what does bar the winner of the Scholarship under the present scheme

enjoying his scholarship at Maynooth is that Maynooth is a recognised and not a Constituent College and therefore not a College contemplated by the County Scheme.
James Lardner,
29th October, 1919.

After discussion, it was

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by P. B. Moore, Esq. J.P.
and unanimously

Resolved: That the consideration of the Scholarship Committee Minutes of 27th October be deferred to the Third (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting of the County Council, and that we direct our Solicitor to take and submit their Counsels' opinion as to whether our Scholarship Scheme for the Session 1919-20 can be altered so as to enable us to grant a Scholarship tenable at a Recognised College of the National University.

Confirmation of Forestry Committee Minutes.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by N. Meade, Esq.
and.

Resolved: That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Forestry Committee at their meeting held on the 13th October, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Asylum Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by T. V. Macmillan, Esq.
Seconded by B. Hamill, Esq. J.P.
and

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Asylum Enquiry Committee at their meeting held on the 25th September, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

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Ardee Payments

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by M. Meade, Esq.
Seconded by S. Teehan, Esq.

and

Resolved: That the Proposal for Payments formulated by the Ardee No 1 Rural District Council at their Third (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting, held on 4th November, 1919, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £533:11.11.

Drogheda Payments

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by P. B. Moore Esq, J.P.
Seconded by T. V. Macmillan, Esq.

and

Resolved: That the Proposal for Payments formulated by the Louth Rural District of Drogheda Union at their Third (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting held on the 11th November, 1919, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £362:6:0.

Dundalk Payments.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. H. McArdle, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by B. L. Coleman, Esq. J.P.

and

Resolved: That the Proposal for Payments formulated by the Dundalk Rural District Council at their Third (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting held on the 10th November, 1919, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £97:13:2.

County-at-Large Payments.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by L. Goodman, Esq
Seconded by J. J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.

and

Resolved: That the Proposal for Payments formulated by the Proposal

Committee at their meeting held on the 15th October, 1919, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, and amounting to the sum of £2281.12.9, be and are hereby approved of.

Vote of Condolence

The following resolution was passed in silence the members standing:-

Proposed by W. T. Sheffington, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by B. Hamill, Esq., J.P.

and

Resolved: That we respectfully tender to our esteemed Colleague, Mr N. J. Murphy, J.P., and to Mr J. H. Murphy, Coroner for North Louth, our sincere sympathy on the death of their mother.

Dates of Quarterly Meetings

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by P. B. Moore, Esq. J.P.

and

Resolved: That the Louth County Council hereby determine that the following shall be the date for the holding of the Fourth Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils:

Ardee, Tuesday, 6th January, 1920.
Drogheda, Tuesday, 13th January, 1920.
Dundalk, Monday, 12th January, 1920.

and that the Proposal Committee meet on Monday, 12th January, 1920.

Scholarship for Fourth Year.

An application (which had been referred to the County Council by the Scholarship Committee) was read from Mr Leo McGolrick, Shop Street, Drogheda, for a renewal for the Fourth Year of his Scholarship, to enable him to continue his course in Medicine. He stated that he would be compelled to abandon his studies if the renewal were not granted, as his brother who supported the family was unable to meet the heavy cost incidental to this particular course.

The Secretary stated that the matter had been referred to the Council, because the Scholarship Scheme for the current and all previous Sessions, provided that a renewal of a Scholarship for a fourth year was conditional on the Student following a

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course of Agriculture or of Industrial or Commercial Science.

After discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by T. V. Macmillan, Esq.
and

Resolved: That we hereby decide to grant to Mr. Leo McGolrick a renewal of of his Scholarship for the fourth year to pursue his course in Medicine, provided Counsel is of opinion that we have power to alter the Scholarship Scheme under which Mr. McGolrick was awarded his Scholarship, so as to enable us to grant same.

The County Solicitor was instructed to have Counsel's opinion on this matter.

Appointment of Inspectors under Food and Drugs Acts

At the request of the County Inspector, R.I.C., the following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by W. Woods, Esq., J.P.
and

Resolved: That we hereby appoint the following Sergeants of the Royal Irish Constabulary as Inspectors of Food & Drugs for the Petty Sessions Districts indicated, under the provisions of the Sale of Food & Drugs Acts:-

Sergt Robert Clarke, Termonfeckin Petty Sessions District
" Owen Callan, Collon " " "
" Owen Clarke, Ravensdale " " "
" James Doherty, Dunleer " " "
" John J. Friel, Carlingford " " "
" Daniel Holland, Louth " " "

and we hereby consent to the above Inspectors prosecuting before Courts of Summary Jurisdiction or Justices any informations, complaints or proceedings arising out of the Food and Drugs Acts or in discharge of their duties as such Inspectors.

Notice of Motion

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Mr. Michael Meade was next taken up:-

I beg to give Notice that at the next Meeting of the County Council I shall move to draw attention to the injustice to the Rate payers of County Louth involved by the refusal of wealthy relatives of patients in Richmond Asylum to contribute to the cost of maintenance of such patients, now chargeable to the rates as pauper lunatics.

Dated this 13th day of October, 1919.

Mr Meade referred to the amounts received from County Louth patients as compared with those from the other Districts covered by the Asylum, and said a strong effort should be made to secure from those relatives of the patients who could pay a substantial portion of the maintenance charges so as to relieve the rates. It was then

Proposed by Michael Meade, Esq.
Seconded by J. Feehan, Esq.
and

Resolved: That a list of County Louth patients in Richmond and Portrane Asylums as on 1st November, 1919 be printed and a copy of same sent to the members of the County and Urban Councillors, to the Guardians of the Unions, and to the Clerks of all Public Bodies in the County with a view to procuring information as to the means of the patients relatives, so that a demand may be made for cost of maintenance.

Appointment of War Pensions Committee

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by W. Woods, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by T. V. MacMillan, Esq.
and

Resolved That we hereby appoint the following to act on the County Louth War Pensions Local Committee under the Naval and Military War Pensions Act, 1915, and Amendments:-

Body Represented.	Names and Addresses.
Louth County Council.	Bernard Finnegan, Idnenhall St., Dundalk. B. Leake Coleman, J.P., Ballybarrack, ,, T.C. Macardle, D.L., St. Margaret's, ,,
Dundalk Trades' Council.	Wm. Larkin, McDermott's Terrace, ,, James Smyth, 7, Annaville Terrace, ,,
Drogheda Trades Council.	Thomas McCabe, Georges Street, Drogheda. M. McGowan, T.C., Mayor of Drogheda.
Drogheda Branch Soldiers' & Sailors Families Association.	The Hon. Lady Bellingham, Castlebellingham. Mrs Cecil Thornhill, Drogheda. J. Davis, West Street, ,, P.B. Moore, J.P., M.C.C., ,,
Dundalk Branch Soldiers' & Sailors' Families Association.	Mrs Bailey, Sandymount, Dundalk. Mrs Skuce, Roden Place, ,, Miss Macardle, Cambrieville, Dundalk. Mrs Sellars, Castle Road, Dundalk.
Soldiers' & Sailors' Help Society.	Colonel Jones, Lisnawilly, Dundalk Miss Jones, Forkhill, Dundalk.
County Louth War Fund.	Miss Pratt, Ardee. A.N. Sheridan, Mountpleasant.

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Discharged Men	J. Target, Dromiskin. G. Sutherland, Vincent Avenue, Dundalk. J. Mathews, Broughton Street, Dundalk. Gerald McCann, Bachelors Walk, ,,
Employers	F. W. Acheson, Dundalk. T. F. McGahon, J.P., Dundalk. Mrs O'Conor, Charleville, Dunleer. Allen Swan, Red Barns, Dundalk.
Widow of Soldier.	Mrs Finegan, Chapel Lane, Dundalk.

Thanks.

Letter was read from Mr Michael Carroll, thanking the Council for resolution of sympathy passed to him on the death of his son, Mr G. F. Carroll, late County Council Scholar.

Rate Collection

The following letter was read, and in reply to the Chairman the County Solicitor stated that it was well established law that the first moiety of the rate was due on the date of service of Demand Note, and that the Second Moiety was due on the 1st October in each year. It had been decided that a rate collector can sue or distrain for the amount of rates immediately after these dates, and the person assessed could not withhold payment of the moities till the end of the half years for which the rates were made.

Dundalk, 9th November 1919.

To the Chairman & Gentlemen of the
South County Council.

Gentlemen,

With reference to the collection of Poor Rate in this County we desire to bring under the notice of the County Council that it seems impossible to convince a great number of the ratepayers that the first moiety of the rate is due on service of the Demand Note, and the second moiety is due on the 1st October in each year. The result is that instead of being able to lodge a substantial portion of our warrants in the early months of each period, we have considerable difficulty in lodging the full moiety even at the end of each half year.

We would respectfully suggest to the County Council that the County Solicitor be asked to express his opinion regarding the ratepayers duties in this matter; as we believe same would materially help us in the work of our collections.

We are Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servants
Patrick Cluskey: Michael J. McGee: Peter McDonnell: John Woods: Patrick S. Dongan
Patrick McCullough: John A. Gannon: James V. Johnston

Industrial School Application.

A lengthy letter from the Manager of Middletown (Co. Armagh) Industrial School was read applying for an additional capitation grant of 1/6 as from 1st April 1918, for children committed from County South. The Secretary stated that a 1/- increase from 1st April 1919, had been granted to all schools, but those within the County which had received 1/6.

After discussion Mr D. Hamill stated he would hand in Notice of Motion for next meeting that the additional expence per head be granted to all Industrial Schools as from 1st April 1919.

At this stage it was found that a quorum of members was not present, and the remaining correspondence on the Agenda was refirred to next meeting

J. Hoey
Chairman

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Louth County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Third (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on

Thursday, 27th November, 1919, at the hour of 130 o'clock, p m

Present: In the Chair: P. McGee, Esq., J.P.
Other Members: M. O'Meara, J.P.; B. Hamill, J.P. Callan, J.P.; O'Donegan, J.P.; B. Finnegan; J. F. Murphy, J.P.; P. Woods, J.P.; J. Wynne, J.P.; and E. A. Coleman, J.P. Esquires

The County and Assistant Surveyors and the County Solicitor were in attendance.

Confirmation of General Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by B. Hamill Esq. J.P.
Seconded by J. F. Murphy, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That the minutes of the proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Third Quarterly Meeting, held on 13th November, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Finance Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by P. Woods, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by P. Donegan, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That the minutes of the proceedings of the Finance Committee at their meeting held on the 24th November, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, (with all payments and recommendations contained therein) be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Fane Drainage Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by B. Finnegan, Esq.
and

Resolved: That the minutes of the proceedings of the Fane Drainage District Committee at their meeting held on the 24th November, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Dundalk Rural District School Attendance Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by J. F. Murphy, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by P. Donegan, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That the minutes of the proceedings of the Dundalk Rural District School Attendance Committee at their meeting held on the 19th November, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed, save that instead of a War Bonus according to the Civil Service Scale, we hereby grant to the School Attendance Officer, Mr Daniel O'Meara, an increase of £26 (Twentysix pounds) per annum making his yearly salary £104.

County Surveyor's Report

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by M. O'Meara, Esq, J.P.
and

Resolved: That the report of the County Surveyor as appearing on Page one of the Schedule of Proposals of the 27th November, 1919, a copy of which has been furnished to each member of the Council, be and is hereby adopted by the Council.

Ardee Works

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by P. Callan, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by P. Donegan, Esq, J.P.

and:-

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Resolved: and That the Proposals for Works formulated by the Ardee No. 1 Rural District Council at their Third Quarterly Meeting held on 7th October, 1919, and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council, and the Contracts entered into at their Adjourned Meeting held on 4th November, 1919, hereund are hereby approved of, and we authorise our Secretary to affix the Common Seal of the Council to same.

Drogheda Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by P. Donegan, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by J. F. Murphy, Esq, J.P.

Resolved: and That the Proposals for Works formulated by the South Rural District of Drogheda Union, at their Third Quarterly Meeting, held on 4th October, 1919, and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

Dundalk Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by B. Hamill Esq J.P.
Seconded by J. Wynne, Esq, J.P.

Resolved: and That the Proposals for Works formulated by the Dundalk Rural District Council at their Third Quarterly Meeting held on 6th October 1919, and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

County-at-Large Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Proposed by B. Finnegan Esq.
Seconded by B. L. Coleman, Esq. J.P.

Resolved: and That the Proposals for Works formulated by the Proposal Committee at their Third Quarterly Meeting held on 13th October 1919, and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

Works Placed in Charge of County Surveyor.

As no tenders were received for any of the works not set by contract at adjourned meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee, the following resolution was passed unanimously

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq, J.P.
Seconded by B. Hamill, Esq, J.P.

Resolved: and That the Proposals for Works passed by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee at their last Quarterly Meetings, and for which no contracts have been entered into, be placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Scholarships

The Notice of Motion regarding alteration of the Scholarship Scheme standing in the name of Mr B. Hamill was next taken up, and was moved in the following terms:

Proposed by B. Hamill, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by M. O'Hara, Esq. J.P.

Resolved "That the conditions of the Louth County Council Scholarship Scheme for the Year 1919-20 be altered so that the Scholarships for the present year may be tenable at a Constituent or a Recognised College of the National University; and that the conditions be further altered to enable the Council, at their discretion to grant a renewal for the Fourth Year to any Scholarship holder".

The Secretary read the following letter from the County Solicitor containing opinion of Counsel on the query submitted to him at last Meeting of the County Council as to whether the Scheme could be altered as above:

Francis Street, Dundalk,
19th November, 1919.

re County Scholarship Scheme.

Dear Sir,

I have now received the following reply from Counsel to the further query as regards the conditions of the Scheme:-

"The conditions of the Scholarship Scheme are in the nature of an agreement with the competing students and it would be open to the runner-up to claim the Scholarship if he is able to show that any of the successful competitors have not fulfilled the conditions of the Scheme as prescribed for the Year. Short of this I see nothing

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to prevent the Council making any alteration they like, but of coarse it must be clearly understood that such a change is done at the risk of its being questioned by a student who is not successful".

Counsel replies on the point raised of a student having his Scholarship renewed for a Fourth Year and who does not propose to follow a coarse in Agriculture, or in Industrial or Commercial Science?

"As regards the change of the medical coarse, the same objection does not arise here, as lines 6 and 7 appear to relate to matters between the student and the Council and not between students."

Yours faithfully
Daniel O'Connell.

The Secretary,
Louth County Council.

The following amendment to the resolution was

Proposed by B. L. Coleman, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by J. F. Murphy, Esq., J.P.

"That the Conditions of the Scholarship Scheme for current year be altered only in so far as they relate to the Grant of a fourth years Scholarship, and that we decide to alter this part of our current scheme to enable us at our discretion to grant a renewal for the Fourth Year to any Scholarship holder."

On a division there voted:

For the Amendment: Messrs Callan, Coleman, Donegan, Finnegan, McGee, Murphy, Woods and Wynne: 8

Against the Amendment: Messrs Hamill and O'Hara. 2.

The Chairman declared the Amendment carried by 8 votes to 2, and a similar voting being accepted on the resolution it was declared lost by 8 votes to 2.

In accordance with resolution passed at last meeting of the County Council, Mr Leo Mc Golrick, Drogheda, was declared entitled to a renewal of his Scholarship for the Fourth Year, and the following resolution confirming the Scholarship Committee Minutes (Consideration of which had been deferred to enable Counsel's opinion as above to be taken) was then passed unanimously:-

Proposed by B. L. Coleman, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by J. F. Murphy, Esq., J.P.
and

Resolved: That the minutes of the proceedings of the Scholarship Committee at their meeting held on 27th October, 1919, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed, and we renew for a Fourth Year the Scholarship of Mr Leo McGolrick to enable him to pursue his course in Medicine.

Industrial Schools Capitation Allowance

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Mr B Hamill regarding the alteration in the Capitation allowances payable to Industrial Schools outside the County in respect of Children committed from Louth County, was not proceeded with as the necessary notion to suspend the Standing Orders could not be put, the requisite number of members for such procedure not being present.

Correspondence.

Thanks.

Letters of thanks for resolution of sympathy passed by the Council on the death of their mother were read from Messrs N. J. Murphy, J.P., and J. H. Murphy, Coroner.

Land and Labour Association

Resolution from the County Louth Land & Labour Association was read requesting the Council to employ none but Union men and to readjust wages of their workers, and also requesting that the men be supplied with rain clothing.

The Council unanimously agreed that the workmen should be supplied with rain clothes, and the matter was left in the hands of the Secretary and County Surveyor with power to purchase same.

Motor Licences.

Regarding the issue of Motor Licences at Sub Post Offices, now only available at Head Post Offices, the following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by P. Donegan, Esq., J.P.
Seconded by B. Finnegan Esq.
and

Resolved: That we request the Postmaster General to arrange for the issue of Motor Duty Licences at Sub Post Offices.

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Ministry of Transport Act.

Resolution submitted by Tipperary County Council (N.R) was read requesting the Ministry of Transport to arrange for a Separate Advisory Committee and Financial Relations Committee to carry out the provisions of the above Act in Ireland, and requesting that the work of the Ministry in Ireland be carried out by Irish Officials. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Outrages

Resolution submitted by Tipperary County Council (N.R) was read condemning the recent outrages throughout Ireland as the work of irresponsible persons and calling on the Public Bodies and the Clergy to condemn same, was unanimously adopted.

Municipal Officers Union

Letter from National Union of Municipal Officers was read regarding a Union to secure joint action and help in Municipal matters was referred to the Finance Committee.

Haulage of Timber

The County Surveyor wrote that for the past fortnight two engines had been hauling timber from Collon Demesne to Dunleer Railway Station for Samuel Rea, Steam Saw & Turning Mills, Antrim. The road in question is not fit to bear such traffic and will became dangerous under same. The County Surveyor suggested that the Council instruct their Solicitor to take up this matter, and advise him therein from time to time as may be necessary.

The Council unanimously gave the County Surveyor instructions to consult the Solicitor in this matter when necessary.

Public Roads (Ireland) Act.

The following confirming resolution was passed unanimously

Proposed by J. Wynne, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by B. Finnegan, Esq.
and

Resolved: That we hereby approve of the Bye-Laws relating to the Licensing in Louth County of Locomotives under the Public Roads (Ireland) Act, 1911, as appearing at pages 20 to 23 of the printed minutes, and hereby apply to the Local Government Board for confirmation of these Bye-Laws.

Chairman

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Louth County Council.

A Special Meeting of the Louth County Council was held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday 29th December 1919.

Present:-

In the Chair:- Mr P McGee JP.

Other Members:- J. Wynne JP. B Hamil JP. J.C. Keenan JP. D.C Macardle DL. S. Feehan, J.P. Kearney, JP. Macardle JP. J.J. Murphy JP. and J.J. Magee JP. Esquires

The County Solicitor, submitted Memorial to the Lord Lieutenant applying for leave to separate from Richmond Asylum, Joint Committee to establish an Asylum, in the County for Louth Patients.

The Memorial was read, and after discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously.

Proposed by:- Mr. J. N. Macardle JP.
Seconded by:- Mr J. J. Murphy JP.

Resolved:- That we hereby approve of the Memorial as submitted by our Solicitor, soliciting the Lord Lieutenant to hold an Enquiry with a view to the establishment of a separate Asylum District for the County of Louth, and we hereby direct our Secretary to affix the Common Seal of the Council to same.

Sympathy.

The following resolution was passed in silence, the members standing:-

Proposed by:- Mr Pat Magee JP.
Seconded by:- Mr JS. McGee JP.

Resolved:-

That we have learned with regret of the death of Mr Patrick Meade son of our esteemed Colleague, Mr Michael Meade, and that we direct our Secretary to convey to Mr Meade, and his family our sincere sympathy with them in their bereavement; and that this meeting stand adjourned, as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

Chairman

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Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at the Court House, Dundalk, on the hour of 1.30. o'clock

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LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office.
Court House. Dundalk.
16TH JANUARY, 1920.

The Fourth Quarterly Meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk. on **THURSDAY,** the **22**nd day of **JANUARY, 1920,** at the hour of **1-30** o'clock p.m., for the purpose of transacting the following Business, which Meeting you are requested to attend.

AGENDA:

1. Confirmation of the General Minutes of the Council.
2. Confirmation of the Finance Committee Minutes.
3. Confirmation of the Proposal Committee Minutes.
4. Confirmation of the Executive Committee Minutes.
5. Confirmation of the Forestry Committee Minutes.
6. Consider Proposals for Payments formulated by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
7. Fix dates for First Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
8. Consider Resolution from the Ardee Board of Guardians, requesting the County Council to appoint a Special Auditor to be present at the Audit of the Accounts of the Ardee Branch Railway Line.
9. Consider Resolution from the Ardee No. 1 Rural District Council regarding the acquisition of quarries for County purposes.
10. Appointment of School Attendance Committees for the Ardee No. 1, Drogheda, and Dundalk Rural Districts, respectively.
11. Fix date for the holding of County Council and Rural District Council Elections.
12. Appointment of Food and Drugs Inspector for the Petty Sessions District of Ravensdale.
13. Consider Proposal to rearrange Polling Districts in County Louth.
14. Consideration of Proposed Groupings of County Electoral Areas under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1919.
15. Correspondence.

CHARLES McALESTER,
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council.

P. McGee
Chairman

Louth County Council

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk. on Thursday 22nd January 1920, at the hour of 1.30. o'clock p.m.,

Present:- In the Chair. P. McGee. Esqr, J.P.
Other Members:- J.C. Kerran J.P. M. O'Meara J.P. J.P. McGee J.P. P. Woods J.P. B.L. Coleman J.P. J. J. Murphy J.P. T. O'Rourke, S. Feehan, J. Morgan, T.V. McCullan, B. Finnegan, and J.P. Kearney Esquires

The County and Assistant Surveyors and the County Solicitor were in attendance

Confirmation of General Minutes.

The following resolution was passed. unanimously:-
Proposed by:- B. Finnegan Esqr.
Seconded by:- J.J. McGee. J.P.

and

Resolved :- That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Third (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting held on 24th November 1919. and at their Special Meeting held on the 29th December, 1919. a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby Confirmed.

Confirmation of Finance Committee Minutes.

The Chairman referred to the Minutes of the Finance Committee held, on 19th January, at which Mr J. M. C. Kelly's ape. for £35. 14:- fees in connection with Malicious Injury Claims was referred to the County Council for consideration

The Secretary submitted the resolution of the County Council dated — June 1906 which resolution fixed the maximum fee of the Assistant Surveyor @ £2: 2: 0. per claim, for which fee he was to prepare any necessary, Plans, Maps. or measurements and give evidence when the cases was heard in Court.

After discussion, in the course of which the members expressed the view that a fee of £2. 2. 0. for each of several cases in the Urban District Dundalk, was excessive, the ape was unanimously passed. for payment. and the minutes were confirmed as follows:-

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Proposed by:- J. F. Murphy Esq. J. P.
Seconded by. S. Feehan Esqf.

and.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the proceedings of the Finance Committee at their Meetings held on the undermentioned dates, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, with all payments and recommendations contained therein, be and are hereby confirmed.

Monday, 8th December, 1919.
Monday, 22nd December, 1919.
Monday, 5th January, 1920.
Monday, 19th January, 1920, and. further that having considered the a/c of W. McKeone for £35. 11s. 0. fees in connection with Malicious Injury Claim, we hereby order payment of the amount in question.

Confirmation of Proposal Committee Minutes.

M. J.C. Kevan suggested that the annual allowance of Coal to Ardee Court House. be reduced from 10 tons 10 cwts. This was agreed to, and the following resolution was passed, unanimously:-

Proposed by:- J. C. Kevan Esq JP.
Seconded by:- JP McGee, Esq. JP.

and

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Proposal Committee, at their Meeting held on the 12th January 1920 a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council be and are hereby confirmed, Save, that the supply of Coal to Ardee, Court House (Proposal No 71) be reduced to 7 tons per annum.

Confirmation of Executive Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously.
Proposed by:- T. O'Rourke Esqf.
Seconded by:- J. Morgan Esqf.

and.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held on the 12th January 1920, a copy of which has been sent to each member, of the Council be, and are hereby confirmed

Confirmation of Forestry Committee Minutes.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- J.C. Kevan Esqf JP.
seconded by. W. McQuillan Esq.

and.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the proceedings of the Forestry Committee at their meetings held on the undermentioned dates a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council be and are confirmed.
Monday, 8th December, 1919.
Monday, 5th January, 1920.

Ardee Payments.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- J C Kieran Esq JP.
Seconded by:- J. V. McQuillan Esq.

and.

Resolved. That the Proposals for Payments formulated by the Ardee No 1. Rural District Council, at their Fourth Quarterly Meeting held on the 8th January, 1920, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.
These payments amount to the sum of £706: 3: 0

Drogheda Payments

The following resolution was passed unanimously
Proposed by:- J. V. McQuillan Esqf.
Seconded by:- S. Feehan. Esqf.

and.

Resolved:- That the Proposal for Payments formulated by the South Rural District Council of Drogheda Union at their Fourth Quarterly Meeting held on the 13th January, 1920, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £531: 8. 10.

Dundalk Payments.

The following resolution was passed (and) unanimously.
Proposed by:- J Murphy Esq. JP.
seconded by:- J Morgan Esq.

and.

Resolved:- That the Proposal for Payments formulated by the Dundalk. Rural District Council, at their Fourth Quarterly.

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Meeting held on the 12 January 1920, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of £1183:14:5

County-At-Large-Payments.

The following resolution was passed unanimously
Proposed by:- B. Finnegan Esq.
seconded by:- T. O'Rourke Esq.
and.

Resolved:- That the Proposal for Payments formulated by the Proposal Committee at their Fourth Quarterly Meeting held on the 12th January, 1920, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

These payments amount to the sum of. £11,151, 8. 5.

The Chairman stated that there was included in this amount, a sum of £6414, 5$. 0d., being the Louth Instalment of Richmond Asylum Demand. He informed the Council that the Demand of the Asylum Committee on Louth would be down £1213. this year. In view of the fact that the expenses of the Asylum showed a substantial increase, he doubted the accuracy of the estimate, and believed it was arranged as an argument against Louth's Demand for Separation and that at the end of the financial year it would be found that the Estimate had been insufficent.

After discussion, the matter was reported to Mr Harper. who is preparing evidence on behalf of the Louth County for the Enquiry.

Dates of Quarterly Meetings

The following resolution was passed unanimously
Proposed by:- J.C. Kevan Esq. J.P.
Seconded by:- J. J McGee Esq. J.P.

Resolved. That the County Council hereby determine that the following shall be the dates for the holding of the first Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils:-

Ardee, 6th April 1920.
Drogheda, 13th April 1920.
Dundalk, 12th April 1920

and the Proposal Committee meet on Monday the 12th April 1920.

On the suggestion of Mr J.C. Kevan J.P. the Secretary was directed to write the Drogheda Rural District Council, asking them to agree to accept the first Tuesday and the second Tuesday of the months alternately for their Quarterly Meeting.

Ardee Branch Railway.

The next item was the considerations of the following resolution of the Ardee Guardians:-

"That seeing that, though the volume of trade on the Ardee Branch Railway has vastly increased during recent years. (this Season's traffic in particular being remarkably large). the full amount of the Guarantee on the local rates continues to be exacted by the Railway Company, just as in years when the trade was relatively small; this Board feels the necessity of having the ratepayers of the Area of Charge under the Guarantee represented at the Company's audit of the a/cs of the Branch line; and we would ask the County Council of Louth to appoint a special Auditor to attend to that duty, and see that the guarantors are fairly treated in the accounts".

After discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- J.C. Kieran Esq J.P.
seconded by:- T.B. McCullan Esq.
and.

Resolved: That acting on the suggestion of the Guardians of the Ardee Union we decide to appoint an Auditor to attend the audit of the Ardee Branch line accounts, in the interests of this Council and the Guarantors, provided our Solicitor advises that we have power to do so.

Quarries

Consideration of: A Resolution from Ardee No 1. Rural District Council regarding acquisition of Quarries for County purposes. was adjourned till next County Council meeting when the County Surveyor will submit a report on the matter.

School Attendance Committee

As requested by the Education office. the Council proceeded to consider the appointment of School Attendance Committees for the County, and when letters regarding the attendances of former members had been read from the Clerks of the District Committees the following resolution was passed unanimously.
The following resolution was passed unanimously.
Proposed by:- J.C. Kieran Esq. J.P.
Seconded by:- J. J McGee. Esq. J.P.
and.

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Resolved:- That we hereby appoint the following gentlemen to act on the School Attendance Committees as under, for the period of Three Years from 1st April 1920.

Ardee.

Richard Stokes	Ardee
Bartle Woods J.P.	Newhall. Dunleer.
James B. Hagans.	Burren House. Dunleer.
J N Clinton	Rokeby Hall. Dunleer.
Joseph Mc Loughlin	Roestown Ardee.

Drogheda.

Joseph Dolan	Gaulstown Dunleer.
Patrick Donegan	Monasterboice Drogheda
James Mc Carthy J.P.	Newfoundwell. Drogheda.
Nicholas J. Murphy J.P.	Hill of Rath. Drogheda.
Denis Rath. J.P.	Clogherhead. Drogheda.

Dundalk.

Bernard A. Coleman	Ballybarrack. Dlk.
Bernard Finegan	Linenhall St. Dundalk.
J. A. McArdle. J.P.	Rampark Ballymascanlon.
William Woods. J.P.	Carlingford. Omeath.
Michael O'Meara J.P.	Omeath Newry.

Date of County & Rural District Elections.

The Next business was to fix a day for the County and Rural District Council Elections and the following resolution was passed unanimously.

Proposed by:- J.P. Kearney Esq.
Seconded by:- M. O'Meara Esq. J.P.

and.

Resolved:- That we hereby fix Thursday the 3rd day of June 1920 to be the date for the holding of the County & Rural District Elections

The Chairman informed the Council that under the Local Elections (P. R. I) Order 1919., the Secretary is the returning officer, for these elections, but if unable to perform the duties for any reason, the Chairman shall appoint the Returning Officer. W. McAlester had decided not to accept the position, and the Chairman had accordingly appointed W. P. J. Roe, who had been appointed last year.

The Council approved.

Appointment of Food & Drugs Inspector. Ravensdale.

On the recommendation of the County Inspector R. I. C. the following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- B. Finnegan Esq.
Seconded by:- P. Woods Esq. J.P.

and.

Resolved:- That we hereby appoint Sergeant Bustard of the Royal Irish Constabulary, Inspector of Food and Drugs for the Petty Sessions District of Ravensdale, under the provisions of the Sales of Food and Drugs Acts, and we hereby consent to the above Inspector prosecuting before Courts of Summary Jurisdiction or Justices any information, complaint, or proceedings, arising out of the Food & Drugs Acts or in discharge of his duties as such Inspector

Polling Districts.

The following resolution was passed unanimously.

Proposed by:- M. O'Meara. Esq J.P.
seconded by:- J. J. Mc Gee Esq. J.P.

Resolved:- That we approve of the Rearrangement of the Polling Districts in South County as recommended by the Finance Committee of the Council constituting each Electoral Division a separate Polling District, and we direct our Secretary to apply to the Local Government Board for approval to same.

County Electoral Areas.

The consideration of the Draft order of the L. G. B. fixing the County Electoral Areas under the Proportional Representation Act 1919 was specially set out on the Agenda, and the Draft Order with the recommendations of the Finance Committee and the L. G. B's letter regarding same. (which appeared in the printed minutes) were read. Letter was also read from the Vice. Chairman of the Council supporting the scheme of groupings suggested by the Finance Committee, and suggesting a deputation to L. G. B. requesting them to put it in operation. After discussion no order was made.

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Correspondence.
Thanks.

Mr Michael Meade M.E.C. wrote thanking the Council for their resolution of sympathy with him on the death of his Son.

Old Abbey at Louth.

The Clerk Dundalk R.D.C. wrote that his Council desired to hand over to the County Council the ancient monument known as the Old Abbey Louth.

The following resolution was passed unanamously

Proposed by:- J. J Murphy Esq JP.
Seconded by:- S. Feehan Esq.

and.

Resolved That we hereby decide to accept the offer of the Dundalk Rural District Council of their interest in the Old Abbey at Louth to be preserved as an ancient monument.

Black Scab.

The Department wrote forwarded copies of an Order entitled "The Black Scab in Potatoes (special area Ireland). No 3. Order" 1919. Same was read and initialled.

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office,
Court House, Dundalk.
20TH FEBRUARY, 1920.

The Fourth (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber, **COURT HOUSE, DROGHEDA,** on **THURSDAY,** the **26**th day of **FEBRUARY, 1920,** at the hour of **ONE** o'clock p.m., for the purpose of considering the undermentioned Business, which Meeting you are requested to attend.

AGENDA:

1. Confirmation of the General Minutes of the Council.
2. Confirmation of the Finance Committee Minutes.
3. Confirmation of the Proposal Committee Minutes.
4. Confirmation of the Forestry Committee Minutes.
5. Consider Report of the County Surveyor.
6. Consideration of Proposals for Works formulated by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
7. Consideration of Tenders (if any received) for Works not set by Contract at Adjourned Meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
8. **Consideration of the Secretary's Estimate of Rates in respect of the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1921.**
9. Receive Deputation from County Louth Land and Labour Association, re wages, etc., of County Council workmen.
10. Consider Resolutions from Ardee No. 1, Drogheda, and Dundalk Rural District Councils increasing their limits of expenditure.
11. Consider Resolution from Ardee No. 1 Rural District Council regarding acquisition of quarries for County purposes.
12. NOTICES OF MOTION :—

    (a) I beg to give Notice that, at the next Meeting of the County Council, I shall move to rescind the resolution of the Council granting the increase of one shilling to the weekly maintenance of Industrial School Children, to Schools outside County Louth, and shall move that the amount be increased to one shilling and sixpence per head per week, being the amount allowed to Industrial Schools in the County.
    Dated this 16th day of February, 1920.
    (Signed), BERNARD HAMILL.

    (b) I beg to give Notice that, at the next Meeting of the County Council, I shall move a resolution of protest against the passing into law of the Education Bill at present before Parliament, as being subversive to the interests of Religion and Nationality.
    Dated this 16th day of February, 1920.
    (Signed), JAMES T. McGEE.

    (c) I beg to give Notice that, at the next Meeting of the County Council, I shall move a resolution requesting the Ministry of Transport to impose a substantial tax on all Heavy Motors and Tractors, to be paid over to the Road Authorities for the maintenance of Public Roads, which are so badly injured by such traffic.
    Dated this 16th day of February, 1920.
    (Signed), JOHN C. KIERAN.

13. Correspondence.

CHARLES McALESTER,
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council.

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Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council, at their Fourth (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting held in the Court House Drogheda on Thursday 26th February 1920 at the hour of one o' clock p. m.,

Present:- In the Chair:- P. McGee Esqr. J.P.
Other members:- D. J. Rath J.P. D. Kehan, P Callan, J.P. P. Donegan, J.P. John Dolan, P. Woods J.P. J. J. McGee J.P. J. Hynes J.P. N. J. Murphy. J.P. W. T. Skeffington J.P. J.C. Kieran, J.P., P. L. McKeon J.P., T.V. Mac Quillan, T. O' Rourke Esquires.

The County and Assistant Surveyors, and the County Solicitor were also present.

Confirmation of the General Minutes.

The Chairman stated that at the last Meeting of the Council, the 3rd day of June had been fixed as the date of the County and Rural District Elections.

It now transpired that this was the "Feast of Corpus Christi" and it would be undesirable to have the Elections then. He suggested that a Special Meeting of the Council be called for Monday 15th March. to fix a new day, and this was unanimously agreed to and Mr J.C. Kieran promised to hand in Notice of Motion altering the date.

The following Resolution was passed unanimously
Proposed by:- N. J. Murphy Esq. J.P.
Seconded by:- D. J. Rath. Esq. J.P.

and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Fourth Quarterly Meeting held on 23rd January 1920 - a copy of which has been sent to each Member of the Council, be, and are hereby confirmed, save and except the Resolution fixing the date of the County & Rural District Elections.

Confirmation of Finance Minutes.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- J. J. McGee, Esqr. J. P.
Seconded by:- J Dolan Esq.

and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meetings held on the:-
2nd February 1920
16th. February. 1920,
a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council (with all payments and recommendations contained therein) be and are hereby confirmed

Confirmation of Proposal Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- J. J. McGee Esq. J. P.
Seconded by:- P. Donegan Esq. J. P.

and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Proposal Committee at their Fourth Adjourned Quarterly Meeting held on 16th. February 1920 a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed

Arising out of the Proposal Minutes at which letter was read from the "Dundalk Examiner" suggesting that the County Advertisements be inserted in two Dundalk and two Drogheda papers the following resolution was
Proposed by:- J. J. McGee Esqr. J. P.
Seconded by:- J. C. Kieran Esq. J. P.

and.

Resolved:- That we decide to insert the County Advertisements in two Dundalk, and two Drogheda papers alternately, the advertisements to be inserted in the "Dundalk Democrat" and Drogheda Argus for the first six months of the coming year and the "Dundalk Examiner", & "Drogheda Independent" for the second six months

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Confirmation of Forestry Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- J. J. McGee Esq J.P.,
Seconded by:- D. J Rath Esq. JP.,

and

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Forestry Committee at their Meetings held on the
2nd February 1920.
16th February 1920.
a copy of which has been sent to each Member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Surveyor's Report.

The following resolution was passed unanimously
Proposed by:- J.C. Keiran Esq. JP
Seconded by:- D. J. Rath Esq. JP

and.

Resolved:- That the Report of the County Surveyor as appearing on Page 1 of the Schedule of Proposals on the 26th. February, 1920, a copy of which has been sent to each Member of the Council be, and is hereby adopted by the Council.

"Item No. 11. on the Agenda which was to consider, resolution from Ardee No.1 Rural regarding the Acquisition of Quarries for County purposes." was referred to in the Report confirmed above, and the suggestion made by the Surveyor, that action in the matter should be postponed pending the Ministry of Transport Scheme, of reconstruction was agreed to, and the Surveyor stated he would schedule a list of suitable Quarries and submit same in due course.

Ardee Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously
Proposed by:- J. C. Keiran Esq. J.P.
Seconded by:- T. V. McCullan Esq JP.

and.

Resolved:- That the Proposal for Works formulated by the Ardee No 1. District Council at their Fourth Quarterly Meeting held on 8th January 1920, & set out on Form 20. furnished to the County Council

and the Contracts entered into at their Adjourned Meeting held on 27th. January 1920, be and are hereby approved of, and we authorise our Secretary to affix the Common Seal of the Council to same, save and except Proposal No. 484, which we hereby reduce from £226. 13. 4. to £176. 13. 4.

Drogheda Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- P. Donegan, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by:- P. L. McKeon, Esq JP.

and.

Resolved:- That the Proposals for Works formulated by South Rural District of Drogheda Union at their Fourth Quarterly Meeting held on 13th January, 1920, and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council, and the Contracts entered into at their Adjourned Meeting held on 3rd. February, 1920, be and are hereby approved of, and we authorise our Secretary to affix the Common Seal of the Council to Same.

Dundalk Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously,
Proposed by:- P. Woods. Esq. JP.
Seconded by:- J. Wynne. Esq. JP.

and.

Resolved:- That the Proposals for Works formulated by the Dundalk Rural District Council, at their Fourth Quarterly Meeting held on 12th January 1920, and set out on Form 20. furnished to the County Council, and the Contracts entered into at their Adjourned Meeting held on 2nd. February 1920, be and are hereby approved of, and we authorise our Secretary to affix the Common Seal of the Council to Same.

County-at-Large Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- W J. Skeffington Esq. J.P.
Seconded by:- John Dolan Esq

and.

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Resolved:- That the Proposals for works formulated by the Proposal Committee at their Fourth Quarterly Meeting held on 12th January 1920; and set out on form 20, furnished to the County Council, and the Contracts entered into at their Adjourned Meeting held on 16th. February, 1920 be and are hereby approved of, and we authorise our Secretary to affix the Common Seal of the Council to same.

Tenders.

The Council next proceeded to consider Tenders for works not set by Contract at Adjourned Meetings of the Rural District Councils.

Ardee Rural District.

For work, No. 454, Joseph McGahon, Glyde Farm, Tendered at £64-10-0 same was accepted.

For work, No. 455 Joseph McGahon, Glyde Farm Tendered @ £36. and same was accepted.

For work, No 474. Owen Finnegan, Townparks Ardee, Tendered @ £33-6-8. and same was accepted

For work, No 484. James Murray, Knockalesa, Collon, Tendered @ £76. 13. 4 same was accepted.

Forwork No 511 William Powderly, Knockalesa, Collon Tendered @ £34. 15. 8. same was accepted.

The accepted tender was the only one received for each of the above work/s.

For Work No 510. Thomas Byrne, Rathescar, South Dunkeer. Tendered at £53. and

" " " " J. Hare, Whitestiver, Dunleer, Tendered @ £53. 10.

" " " " J. Byrne's Tender being the lowest was accepted.

For work No ~~575~~ 515. J. Byrne, Rathescar, South Dunkeer tendered @ £11. 5. 0. and J. Hare Whitestiver tendered @ £11. 14. 0 J. Byrne's being the lowest tender was accepted

Drogheda. Rural District.

No Tenders were received for works not set at the Adjourned Meeting of the Drogheda Rural Council.

Dundalk Rural District.

For work. No 496. Peter Callan, Walterstown, Tendered @ £116 but as his Sureties did not attend - the Tender was not accepted.

For work No 498. Thomas Reilly, Hilltown, Tendered @ £121 and same was accepted.

For Work No 503. Michael Mullen, Priorstale, Tendered @ £178 and same was accepted.

For work No 511. Owen Matthews, Priorstale, Tendered @ £55. 15. 0 and

" " " J. Mc. Gahon, Glyde Farm, Tendered @ £58.

" " " Owen Matthews' Tender, was accepted being the Lowest.

For work No 515. Henry Matthews, Louth Tendered @ £171.

" " " " J. Woods - Toomes, tindered at £174 - 19. 0.

" " " " Henry Matthews' Tender was accepted.

For work No 520 Patrick Mulvey, Mullavalley, Tendered @ £27. 16. 10.

" " " P. McCabe, Carrickmullen, Tendered @ £29. 19. 0.

" " " P. Mulvey's tender was accepted.

For work No 526 Michael McKenna Tendered @ £135. 15. 0. but did not

" " " appear.

For work No. 626. Michael Campbell, Creggarbawn, Tendered @ £800, but did not appear.

Letter from John Matthews, Greatwood, re. Road Contract No 445, was read stating that stating that Peter Durnin, Raghstown, to whom the Contract was set, at the Rural Council Meeting found himself unable to carry out the work, and that he (Matthews) who was the old Contractor would be willing to take it over. Letter in same terms was read from Peter Durnin. No order was made.

No action was taken on letter from James Monaghan, Hunterstown stating he was prepared to take the Contract for Road No 57 Proposal 500. The Secretary stated this work had been set at the Rural Councie Meeting to another Contractor.

Works Placed in Charge of County Surveyor.

The following Resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- P Woods. Esq. JP.

Seconded by:- W. J. Steffington Esq. J.P.

and —

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Resolved:- That - the Proposal for Works passed by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee, at their last Quarterly Meetings, for which no Contracts have been entered into be and placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Estimate of Rates.

The next item on the Agenda was the consideration of the Secretary's Estimate of Rates for the ensuing year and after discussion the adoption of same as submitted, was formally proposed by:- W. T. Skeffington Esq. J.P. and. Seconded by:- J. Wynne, Esq. J. P.

J. J. McGee Esq. J.P. moved the deletion of the nett sum of £400 provided in the County Charges under the Public Health (Medical Treatment of Children) Act 1919.
J. C. Keiran Esq. seconded, and after discussion, it was agreed unanimously to embody the deletion in Mr Skeffington's Resolution, and same was then unanimously passed as follows.

Proposed by:- M. T. Skeffington Esq. JP.
Seconded by:- J. Wynne, Esq JP. and.
Resolved:- That the General Estimate of Rates, and the Estimate of Rates for Separate Charges, as set out on Form 45, and 46, with the various rates in the £1 as set out therein, and recommended for adoption by the Finance Committee at their Meeting held on 16th February 1920; be and are hereby adopted by the County Council, save & except that the Estimate for County Charges be reduced by £400 being the nett amount which the Estimate proposes to raise for the purpose of the Public Health (Medical Treatment of Children) Act 1919.

The Secretary stated this reduction would not effect the rate set out in the Estimate

The Demands on the Urban Districts of Drogheda and Dundalk were then signed by the Chairman & ordered to be sealed with the Common Seal of the Council.

Workmen's Wages.

The reception of Deputation from the County Louth, Land & Labour Association, was the next item on the Agenda.

Messrs. M Campbell, Halpin, Ross, and Gallagher, the delegates were welcomed by the Chairman, who informed the Council that in response to a letter dated 26th January from Mr. Henry Cunningham, County Secretary of the Land and Labour Association, the Finance Committee had recommended the County Council to receive this deputation to discuss the wages, hours, and conditions of employment of the Council's workmen. The Chairman then asked the deputation for their views, on these matters, and Messrs. Campbell and Gallagher having expressed the men's views that a wage of 45/- per week should be paid, That Catholic Holidays, and wet days should be paid for, and that rain suits, should be provided for the men, the Council proceeded to discuss these demands.

Eventually the following Resolution was.

Proposed by:- J. J. McGee Esqr., J.P.
Seconded by:- J. C Keiran Esq^r J.P.
and unanimously

Resolved:- That the wages of the Council's workmen, be increased from 32/- to 40/- per week as from 26th January 1920.; that wages be paid for wet days on condition the men report for work; that wages be paid for Catholic holidays, and that rain suits be provided for each workman.

Mr Campbell after consideration of the offer with his Colleagues agreed to these terms, on behalf of the workmen, and having thanked the Council for their favourable hearing, withdrew.

Industrial School Allowance.

Mr B. Hamill's Notice of Motion in the matter fell through, as he was not in attendance.

Education Bill.

Notice of Motion standing in the name of J. J. McGee, J.P. in the matter was taken up. Mr McGee, discussed the Bill at length, and the following resolution was:—

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Proposed by:- J. J. McGee, Esq. J.P.
Seconded by:- N. J. Humphy Esq. J.P.
and.

Resolved:- That we protest against any Educational Scheme which is not designed by and worked for the people of Ireland.

The Chairman said the resolution should embody a request that the elected representatives of the people should attend in Parliament to fight this Bill, but as Mr J. J. McGee JP failed to fall in with this suggestion, The Chairman dissented from the Resolution.

In seconding the above Resolution Mr N. J. Humphy had suggested that the claims of the Teachers for adequate Remuneration should be supported, and he now proposed the following Resolution, which was passed unanimously

Proposed by:- N. J. Humphy Esq. J.P.
Seconded by:- P. L. McKeon. Esq. J.P.
and.

Resolved: That we, the Louth County Council support the just demands of the Irish Teachers, & we consider they should be put on an equal footing regards Salary and other emoluments with the Teachers of England, Scotland and Wales.

Fane Drainage.

A letter of protest against assessment of Rates in Connection with the Council's Fane Drainage Scheme, signed by a number of the land owners rated, was read.

The Secretary stated that the Council had been requested to take over the Fane and Wollonstown Drainage Districts, and an Act of Parliament had been passed transferring these districts to the Council. Before taking the Works over, the Council had stipulated with the Board of Works, that the Board would supply an up-to-date list of Land owners liable for rates, and a statement of the proportion of any rate struck for which the individual land owners, would be liable. These had been supplied by the Board, and it was on this list and these figures that the assessments of Rate had been made.

The Notice of Demand, for payment of the Rates had been duly published; and the gentlemen who submitted the protest had no grievance whatever against the County Council The protest was installed by the Chairman

Heavy Motor Tax.

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Mr J.C Kerian, was put as a Resolution as follows, and passed unanimously

Proposed by:- J.C Kerian Esq JP.
Seconded by:- T. O' Rourke Esq.
and,

Resolved:- That we request the Minisby of Transport to impose a substantial Tax, on all Heavy Motors, and Traction Engines except those used for agricultural purposes, when so used, and that the said Tax, be paid over to the Road Authorities for the maintenance of their Roads, which are seriously damaged by this traffic.

Limit of Expenditure - Ardee No1 R. D.

The following Resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- J. C Kerian Esq. JP.
Seconded by:- J. J. McGee. Esq. JP.
and.

Resolved:- That we hereby approve of the recommendation of the Ardee No 1 R. D. Council for the extension of the limit of Expenditure on the roads in the District from.
£4,803, 15. 0. to £10,000 for the year ending 31st March. 1921, and we direct our Secretary to apply to the ~~Local Government~~ Ministry of Transport Board for necessary sanction.

Limit of Expenditure. Drogheda (Louth) R. D.

The following Resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- P. Donegan. Esq JP.
Seconded by:- N. J. Humphy Esq. JP.
and

Resolved:- That we hereby approve of the recommendation of Drogheda - (Louth) R.D. Council for the extension of the limit of Expenditure on roads in the District from:-
£3,273. 15. 0 to £7,000 for the year ending 31st March 1921, and we direct our Secretary to apply to the ~~Local Government~~ Ministry of Transport Board for the necessary Sanction

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Limit of Expenditure. Dundalk. R.D.

The following resolution was passed unanimously
Proposed by:- P. Woods Esq. JP.
Seconded by:- J. O' Rourke Esq.
and.
Resolved:- That we hereby approve of the recommendation of the Dundalk, Rural District Council, for the extension of the limit of Expenditure on Roads in the District from:-

£1,443. 15. 0. to £16,500. for the year ending 31st. March, 1921, and we hereby direct our Secretary to apply to the Local Government Board for the necessary sanction.

Grants for Road work.

Letter was read from the Ministry of Transport. dated 23rd February Re/No RS. 122. R.G.D. stating that a sum of £250,000 was available for new grants for Road work in Great Britain and Ireland. The Ministry enclosed form of Application for Grant. The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

Drain at Clogherhead.

Mr John M O' Kea wrote requesting permission to open a drain across the public road in front of his house in Clogherhead - to take away the water which is flooding his house.

The Permission was unanimously granted, subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

P. McGee

Chairman

Louth County Council

Minutes of proceedings of the Louth County Council, at their Special Meeting held in the Council chamber, Court House Dundalk, on Monday, 15th March, 1920 at the hour of 1.30 o'clock p.m.,

Present:- In the Chair:- P. McGee Esq. JP.
Other Members:- B. Coleman J.P. J. McCarthy JP. Jas. Wynne JP. W. Woods JP. J. J. McGee J.P. J. Keenan J.P. P. Woods JP. and S. Kehan Esquires.

The meeting was specially convened to consider notices of motion standing in the names of Messrs J. C. Keenan, JP. and B. Hamill J.P. relative to alteration of date fixed for Elections and to Industrial School. maintenance allowance respectively.

The suspension of the Standing Orders was necessary in order that Mr Keenan's motion might be considered, but as the requisite number of members was not present, the motion to suspend could not be put.

Mr. B Hamill J.P. not being in attendance, his motion fell through.

Asylum Inquiry.

On Application from the County Solicitor for an advance of £500 on account of expenses of the forthcoming Asylum Inquiry, it was unanimously directed that a paying Order for the amount to be issued to Mr O'Connell.

P. McGee

Chairman

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Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Special Meeting held on Monday, 19th April, 1920 in the Council Chamber, Court House Dundalk at the hour of 1.30 o'clock p.m.,

Present:- In the Chair P. McGee Esqr JP.
Other Members:- P Callan, JP. P. Woods JP. J. Morgan, B. Finnegan M. Meade, J. J Murphy J.P. J. Wynne JP., P. Donegan JP. S. Feehan, JP. McArdle J.P. B.L. Coleman J.P. J. McGee JP. J.C. Keiran J.P. J.B. McCourt Esquires, and Sir Thomas Macardle D.L.

The County Solicitor and the County Surveyor were also present.

The Meeting was convened by direction of the Chairman to consider:-

(1) Notice of Motion standing in the name of Mr J.C. Keiran J.P; that the resolution fixing the day for County and Rural Elections, be altered from 3rd June (Corpus Christi) to 7th June 1920. and.

(2) To consider letter and resolution from Co. Louth Irish Farmer's Association enclosing resolution calling the attention of the Council to the unsafe state of the old road leading from Carlingford to Grange Cross Roads, and the necessity for immediately proceeding to put same in a safe condition for traffic as already several accidents had occurred. The resolution further stated that farming machinery cannot be taken over the road, and the inhabitants claim the delay in proceeding with the work rests with the County Council as all obstacles - have been removed.

In reply to the Chairman the County Surveyor stated that a proposal for this work was approved in 1914, but as some of the owners along the road refused to give the necessary land it fell through.
Again in 1917 a proposal was approved - and again some of the land was refused.

The County Solicitor stated that while some of the owners gave him and the County Surveyor every facility, others did not, and it was only within the last few weeks that all objections had been withdrawn and that anything definite could be done. In a month the preliminaries would be perfected, and the work could be proceeded with; but the delay was most certainly not the fault of the County Council.

The Secretary was directed to reply accordingly to the Irish Farmers Union.

Item No 2. on the Agenda was then taken up and a letter was read from the Returning Officer, Mr P. J. Rol, enclosing letter from the Town Clerk of Drogheda, in which the latter stated that he had arranged for the holding of the Elections of Guardians on the day originally fixed by the Council and pointed out that Returning Officers were under grave responsibilities regarding the conduct of Elections, and all the time possible for their proper carrying out was needed.
He further stated that he would consult the L.G.B. in regard to his position.

As the suspension of Standing Orders was necessary before Mr J.C Kieran's Notice of motion could be proceeded with as only 16 members were present instead of 17 as required for this purpose, the Council adjourned for ten minutes, but on the expiration of that time no other member having arrived, the Chairman ruled that the motion could not be proceeded with, and the Council adjourned.

P. McGee

Chairman

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Louth County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Special Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday, 3rd May 1920, at the hour of 1.30 o'clock p.m.

Present:- In the Chair P. McGee Esqr. J.P.;
Other Members:- J. McCarthy J.P., J.C. Kerran, J.P. T. Woods, J.P. P. Donegan J.P. N. Meade, P. Callan J.P. J. Wynne, J.P. T. O'Rourke, J.J. McGee, J.P. L. Goodman, P.L. McKeon J.P. S. Feehan, B. Finnegan, B. Coleman J.P. N.J. Murphy J.P. B. Hamill J.P. J.F. Murphy J.P. W. Woods. J.P. and Dr. McArdle J.P., Esquires.

The County and assistant Surveyors and the County Solicitor were in attendance.

This Meeting had been convened by the direction of the Chairman owing to the non. attendance of the quorum at the first Quarterly Meeting of the Council called for the 22nd April.

Confirmation of General Minutes

Before submitting the resolution confirming the General Minutes of the Council, the Chairman referred to Resolution passed at the last meeting deciding that the County Advertisements be inserted in two Dundalk and two Drogheda paper alternately. He said he had taken the Solicitor's opinion on this matter, and Mr O'Connell had instructed him that the resolution was irregular in as much as a Resolution passed some years ago decided to insert the advertisements in the "Democrat" and "Argus" only. Accordingly the Chairman ruled that the question of the County Advertisements must be considered on Notice of Motion, which Mr. Hamill promised to hand in for next meeting.

The following Resolution was then passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- P. Donegan Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- B. Hamill Esqr. J.P.
and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Jointly (adjourned) Quarterly Meeting held on the 26th February 1920, and their Special Meetings held on:-
15th March 1920.
19th April 1920.
a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed, save and except the Resolution regarding County Advertisements, appearing on Page 3, of the Printed Minutes, which we now decide should be considered on Notice of Motion at next Meeting.

Confirmation of Finance Committee Minutes.

With reference (qu) to instructions given by the Finance Committee to the County Solicitor to write Messrs. Rea, of Antrim, for payment of cost of repairs to Dunleer - Collon Road, damaged as a result of their timber traffic, the County Solicitor now asked for instructions to proceed against the firm, if they refuse to pay.

Accordingly the following Resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- N.J. Murphy Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- J.C. Kerran Esqr. J.P.
and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Finance Committee at their Meeting held on the undermentioned dates, a copy of each, having been sent to each Member of the Council, with all payments and recommendations contained therein, be and are hereby confirmed
Monday 15th March 1920.
Monday, 29th March 1920
Monday 12th April 1920
Monday 26th April 1920

and further that we instruct the County Solicitor to proceed against Messrs Rea of Antrim if they refuse to pay the cost of repairing the Dunleer-Collon Road, as furnished by the County Surveyor.

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On the suggestion of Mr N. J. Murphy J.P. the Secretary was directed to endeavour to arrange with the Dundalk Board of Guardians for the Conveyance by their Motor ambulance of urgent cases requiring treatment at the South County Infirmary, which Mr Murphy stated could not owing to the distance be at present availed of by the people of South Louth.

Confirmation of Proposal Committee Minutes

The following Resolution was passed unanimously
Proposed by:- B. Hamill Esqr J.P.
Seconded by:- T. O'Rourke Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the minutes of proceeding of the Proposal Committee, at their meeting held on Monday, 12th April 1920. a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed

Confirmation of Minutes of Dane & Wottonstown Drainage District Committees.

The following Resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- M. Meade Esqr.
Seconded by:- B.L. Coleman Esqr JP.

and

Resolved:- That we hereby confirm the minutes of the Dane and Wottonstown Drainage District Committees at their meetings held as under; a copy having been sent to each member of the Council.

15th March 1920
19th April, 1920

Drainage Rate for Year 1920

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- M. Meade Esqr.
Seconded by B.L. Coleman

and

Resolved:- That in accordance with the Estimate of Rates required to cover the payment of Instalment and Interest on loan, and other necessary expenses of Dane Drainage District for the year 1920, adopted by the Dane Drainage Committee at their Meeting held on the 19th April, 1920, we hereby confirm the assessment of the sum of.

£184. 10. 0, to be levied on the Dane Drainage District according to and in proportion as shown in the Award of the Commissioners of Public Works.

Wottonstown Drainage Rate for year 1920.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- M. Meade Esqr.
Seconded by. B.L. Coleman Esqr. JP.

and.

Resolved:- That in accordance with the Estimate of Rates required to cover the payment of Instalment and Interest on loan and other necessary expenses of the Wottonstown Drainage District for the year 1920, adopted by the Wottonstown Drainage Committee at their Meeting held on 19th April 1920. we hereby Confirm the assessment of the sum of £135, to be levied on the Wottonstown Drainage District according to and in proportion as shown in the Award of the Commissioners of Public Works.

That Mr Patrick Chuskey, Wottonstown Castlebellingham, be appointed to collect the rate. the Collection to be completed by 31st December 1920. Remuneration to be at the rate of Sevenpence in the £

Order Payments

CWA

The following resolution was passed unanimously: Proposed by: J. Cheevan Esqr JP. Seconded by J. McGee Esqr JP. and Resolved: That the proposal for payments formulated by Order No 1 R.D. Council at their first Quarterly Meeting held on 6th April 1920, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. these payments amount to the sum of £690. 11. 0.

Drogheda Payments.

CWA

The following resolution was passed unanimously:
Proposed by:- P. Donegan Esqr J.P.
Seconded by:- N. J. Murphy Esqr JP

and.

Resolved:- That the proposal for payments formulated by the Rural District of Drogheda Union, at their First Quarterly Meeting held on the 17th April 1920- and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of- these payments amount to the sum of:-

£451. 4. 7.

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Dundalk Payments.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- W. Woods Esqr JP.
Seconded by:- J. O'Rourke Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the proposal for payments formulated by the Dundalk Rural District Council, at their (~~Meeting~~) first Quarterly Meeting held on the 12th April 1920, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of:-

£1354. 7. 4

County-at-Large-Payments

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- B. Hamill Esqr JP.
Seconded by:- J. F. Murphy Esqr. J.P.

and.

Resolved:- That the Proposals for payments formulated by the Proposal Committee at their first Quarterly Meeting held on the 12th. April 1920, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of. These payments amount to the sum of:-

£11, 784. 7. 2.

Dates Of Quarterly Meetings

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- N. J. Murphy Esqr. JP.
Seconded by:- J. McCarthy Esqr JP.

and.

Resolved:- That the County Council hereby determine that the following shall be the dates for the holding of the Second Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils

Ardee No1	6th July 1920.
Drogheda (Louth)	13th July 1920.
Dundalk	12th July. "

and. that the proposal Committee meet on the:-
5th July 1920.

Making of Rates for Year ending 31st March 1921

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- B. Hamill Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- J. McCarthy Esqr JP.

and.

Resolved:- That. in accordance with the Estimate of Rates for General and Separate Charges adopted by the County Council at their meeting held on the 26th February 1920, we hereby make Rates to be levied off the County of Louth for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1921. as assessed in the Rate Books and set out as follows:-

The Rates in the £ for General Charges. are:-

Ardee No1	Land	7½ pence.
	Buildings	8½ pence.
Drogheda (Louth).	Land	8½ pence,
	Buildings	10½ pence.
Dundalk.	Land	9½ pence,
	Buildings	11½ pence

and further that the rates in the £. in respect of Separate Charges as set out on Form H3, and adopted at the said meeting of the 26th February 1920.

Messrs J. Wynne J.P. and B. Hamill were appointed with the Chairman to sign the Rate. Collection warrants, and the Certificates of the allowance of the Rates.

County Surveyor's Application

The application of the County Surveyor for revision of Salary and travelling allowance was specially set out on the Agenda. The Application was read. He stated his present salary is £475 with £100 travelling allowance. The salary was equivalent only to a pre-war £190 and the allowance for travelling was entirely inadequate.

The Secretary tabled a list of the Salaries paid in other Counties to the County Surveyors and in

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cases these were very much higher than Louth, the average for 24 Counties being £820.

After discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- P. McGee Esqr J.P.
Seconded by:- J. McCarthy Esqr J.P.
and.

Resolved:- That we hereby increase the salary of the County Surveyor by £50 per annum to £525 and his travelling allowance by £75 per annum

The County Surveyor returned thanks.

Assistant Surveyors' Application

The following application from the assistant Surveyors' was read:-

Dundalk,
April 14th 1920.

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen,

Owing to the abnormal conditions resulting from the war, we are reluctantly obliged to ask you to kindly revise our salaries to meet the large increase in the cost of living

The award determined by the Civil Service Arbitration Board, as a war Bonus has been the basis for increases in many cases.

We appeal to a Comparison with the increases given to workmen and Salaried officials in other service

The limit of expenditure on Roads in this County has necessarily increased in recent years from £15,521 to £33,500 together with £5,000 granted by the Ministry of Transport.

The supervision of the works covered by this large sum of money entail increased duties and much expense in travelling &c.

The fall in the purchasing value of money still continues on the down grade, and we respectfully ask you to meet the depreciation in the value of our Salaries, as compared with that of a few years ago.

We are Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servants,
John W.C. Lyons,
James Dromgoole,
Assistant Surveyors.

after discussion it was:-

Proposed by:- B. Hamill Esqr J.P.
Seconded by:- J. McCarthy Esqr J.P.
and.

Unanimously.

Resolved. That we hereby increase the Salaries of the Assistant County Surveyors, Messrs Lyons & Dromgoole from £180- to £280 per annum.

It was decided that the question of payment to Mr Lyons for services in connection with malicious Injury Claims be considered at next Meeting of the Finance Committee.

Industrial Schools' allowance

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Mr B. Hamill J.P. was put as a substantive resolution as follows and passed unanimously:-.

Proposed by:- B. Hamill Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- M. Meade Esqr.
and.

Resolved That the resolution of the Council granting the increase of one shilling to the maintenance of Industrial School Children, to Schools outside County Louth, be rescinded and that the amount be increased to one shilling and sixpence per head per week, being the amount to Industrial Schools in the County, the increase to date from 1st April 1920.

Registration Printing

The Secretary stated he had as directed by the Stationery Office advertised for Tenders for the printing of the Register and had received Tenders from Messrs, Tempest & Roe, Dundalk, and McDonnell, Drogheda.
He was directed to forward them to the Stationery Office for

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considération

Nurse O' Hagan's Salary

The Secretary of the Tuberculosis Committee wrote forwarding letter of the L. G. B. dated 22nd March No 2364/20. stating that the Board were prepared to sanction the War Bonus of £40 with an additional 20% of her salary up to 16th November last. and 30% after that date to Nurse O' Hagan, subject to the approval of the County Council.

The Council unanimously approved of the War Bonus as set out, on the motion of:-

B. Hamill Esq J.P.

Seconded by:- T. V. Mac Mullan Esq

and.

The Secretary was directed to inform the L. G. B. accordingly

Malicious Injury Claims

The Secretary reported receipt of further Claims for Malicious Injury as follows:- Inniskeen Police Barracks, £850. Signal Instruments and Telephone wires destroyed at Adavoyle. £120. The Secretary stated that the County Solicitor was attending to these claims

Minutes

On the request of the Housing Department the secretary was directed to forward copies of the minutes of the Council to the Ministry of Transport.

Road Work

The County Surveyor was instructed to proceed with the Road-Improvement work, in accordance with the scheme approved by the Ministry of Transport, pending receipt of the L. G. B's Sanction to the raising of the necessary loan

County Committee

Circular letter from the Department regarding the attendances at Meetings of the County Committee was referred to the New Council.

Assistant Surveyors.

The L. G. B. notified that an examination for Candidates for qualifications as Assistant Surveyors would be held at 23 St Stephen's Green North, Dublin at 10. a.m. on Thursday and Friday the 27th and 28th May 1920.

Arrears Lists.

The Secretary was directed to call a Meeting for Monday 17th May 1920. at which the Rate Collectors are to be present, in order to examine and report on the lists of irrecoverable arrears submitted by the Collectors.

P. M. Fell

Chairman

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Louth County Council

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their first (adjourned) Quarterly meeting, held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Thursday 27th May 1920 at the hour of 1.30 o'clock p.m.

Present:- In the Chair. P. McGee, Esqr. J.P.
Other Members:- M. Meade, N. J. Murphy J.P. P. Woods J.P. J. Kieran J.P. W. Woods J.P. M. O'Meara J.P. J. J. McGee J.P. L. Goodman, J. Wynne J.P. J. Morgan, J. O'Rourke, B. Coleman J.P. B. Finnegan, and J. Fehan. Esquires

The County and assistant Surveyors and the County Solicitor were in attendance

Attendances of Members

In reply to Mr J. Kieran J.P. the Secretary stated the attendance of members had not been published as there was no order to that effect. A discussion on the matter had taken place at the close of the recent County Council meeting and owing to the non-attendance of a number of members sufficient to transact the business it had been suggested that the attendances be published but no order was made

The following Resolution was then:-

Proposed by:- M. Meade Esqr.
Seconded by:- J. J. McGee Esqr J.P.

That the attendance of members at Committee and County Council Meetings for the past 12 months be published in the Local Papers.

The following amendment was

Proposed by:- N. J. Murphy Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- M. O'Meara Esqr J.P.

That the attendance of members at County Council Meetings for the past 12 months be published

on a division there voted.

For the amendment:- Messrs. Murphy, O.Meara O'Rourke. 3.
Against the amendment:- Messrs. Coleman, Goodman, Kieran McGee, J.J. McGee Patrick, Meade, Morgan, Woods Peter, Woods William and Wynne. 10

The amendment was declared lost, and the similar voting being accepted on the original

motion it was declared carried and the Secretary was directed accordingly.

Messrs Finnegan & Fehan were not in attendance during the above ~~discussion~~ division.

Confirmation of General Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously.

Proposed by:- N. J. Murphy Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- M. O'Meara, Esqr. J.P.

and

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their first Quarterly meeting (Special) held on 3rd May 1920, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed

Confirmation of Finance Minutes

Arising out of these minutes Mr J. J. McGee referred to meeting of 25th May at which a recommendation of the County Council had been made that Mr. Lyons fees for malicious Injury Cases be made £1. 1. 0 for each case in the Areas of Dundalk Urban District & Dundalk Rural E.D. and £2. 2. 0 per case elsewhere. He mentioned that Mr Lyons had been appointed for the work at £2. 2. 0 per case and he thought the Council would have to rescind the original resolution before the suggested amendment was passed.

Eventually it was decided to refer back the matter to the Finance Committee for further Consideration

The following resolution was then passed unanimously.

Proposed by:- J. O. Rourke Esqr.
Seconded by:- J. Kieran Esqr J.P.

and.

Resolved That the minutes of the Proceedings of the Finance Committee at their Meetings held on the undermentioned dates, a copy of (which) each having been sent to each Member of the Council, with all payments and recommendations contained therein have and except that the recommendation regarding Mr Lyons fees in connection with Malicious Injury cases which we hereby refer back to the Committee, be and are hereby confirmed.

Monday. 10th May, 1920.
Monday. 25th May, 1920

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Confirmation of Executive Committee Minutes.

The following resolution was passed unanimously

Proposed by:- P. Woods Esqr J.P.
Seconded by:- J. J. McGee Esqr. J.P.

and.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their meeting, held on the 10th May 1920 a copy of which having been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Arising out of these minutes, the Council unanimously agreed that the Secretary be empowered to make the necessary arrangements for carrying on the work at Ballymakenny Dairk during the Dipping periods.

Confirmation of County Surveyor's Report.

The following Resolution was passed unanimously-
Proposed by. J. J. McGee Esqr J.P.
Seconded by:- J. C Kieran Esqr. J. P.

and.

Resolved:- That the Report of the County Surveyor as appearing on Page 1 of the Schedule of Proposals for the 27th May, 1920 a copy of which has been furnished to each Member of the Council, be and is hereby approved of.

On the Suggestion of Mr. J. O Rourke the County Surveyor promised to submit to the R.D.C a proposal for the widening of dangerous parts of the Dundalk, Blackrock, Road.

Ardee Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously
Proposed by:- JC Kieran Esqr J. P.
Seconded by:- M. Meade Esqr

and

Resolved:- That the Proposal for works formulated by the Ardee No 1 Rural District Council at their first Quarterly Meeting held on Tuesday 6th April 1920 and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council, and the Contracts entered into at their Adjourned Meeting held on Tuesday, 27th April, 1920 be and are hereby approved, of and we authorise our Secretary to affix the Common Seal of the Council to Same.

Dundalk. Works.

The following Resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- W. Woods Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- L. Goodman Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the Proposal for works formulated by the Dundalk Rural District Council, at their first Quarterly Meeting held on Monday, 12th April 1920. and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council, and the Contracts entered into at their (adjourned) meeting held on Monday. 10th May 1920 be and are hereby approved of, and we authorise our Secretary to affix the Common Seal of the Council to same.

County. at. large. Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously.
Proposed by:- D. O. Rourke, Esqr.
Seconded by:- S. Sechan Esqr.

and

Resolved:- That the Proposal for works formulated by the Proposal Committee at their first Quarterly Meeting held on the 12th April 1920. and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council be and are hereby approved of.

Works not set by Contract.

The following resolution was passed unanimously.
Proposed by:- P. Woods. Esqr J. P.
Seconded by:- M. Meade Esqr.

and.

Resolved. That all the works not set by Contract at adjourned Meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee be placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

T. M. O's. Report

The consideration of the Tuberculosis Medical Officers Report as follows was referred to the New Council.

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REPORT OF THE TUBERCULOSIS OFFICER FOR LOUTH.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you the following report on the working of the Scheme for the treatment of Tuberculosis for the year ended 31st March, 1920.

In order to facilitate comparison I submit the figures corresponding to the three years previous to the one under review.

Number of new patients suffering from Tuberculosis attending Dispensaries in the year ended:—

31st March, 1917	108
31st March, 1918	92
31st March, 1919	58
31st March, 1920	79

The number of patients who visited any one of the Dispensaries up to 31st March of present year total 144; of which 48 were insured and 96 non-insured. Of this number 113 were found to be suffering from the pulmonary form of the disease and 31 were non-pulmonary. From this it will be seen that the pulmonary form represents 78 per cent of the total number of cases brought under observation.

In 16 cases treatment was refused against medical

advice before any headway could be made against the disease: 18 patients died, and 43 were discharged improved or fit to resume their previous occupation.

FORMS OF TREATMENT.

There are three forms of treatment in practice in our scheme, viz:

Dispensary, Domiciliary, and Sanatorium.

If the form of treatment decided upon is Dispensary, the patient is requested to attend the Dispensary most convenient to himself.

The days of attendance at the different Dispensaries are as follows:—Dundalk, Monday and Friday; Drogheda, Wednesday and Saturday; Omeath and Carlingford, Tuesday; and Ardee, Thursday.

Attendance of patients at the Dispensary has the advantage of frequent re-examination of any patient, and also having a regular record taken of weight and temperature, and in this way to observe any alteration in the ordinary course of the disease.

Domiciliary treatment was given in 18 cases during the year, and if the patient is agreeable a shelter is provided though in some districts the patients for some reason or other object to a shelter. This form of treatment is of great value, as it is a means of obtaining early cases of the disease, and also of instructing the household against the spread of the disease. In this connection I may mention that the absence of a tuberculosis nurse for the Drogheda district is much

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to be regretted, as the whole time nurse is fully occupied in the Northern portion of the County not to mention an increased amount of routine work at the Central Dispensary in Dundalk.

The third form of treatment utilised is Sanatorium, and is perhaps the most beneficial, both from a physical and educational point of view, though at times it is an extremely disappointing method of treatment.

During the year 20 patients were treated at Peamount Sanatorium with the following results: 8 much improved; 2 left against medical advice; 4 died; in 2 cases the disease was arrested, and there are four still under treatment. Attention should be drawn to the fact that the average period spent in the Sanatorium has steadily increased. This is brought about by the desire of the Medical Advisor to more fully establish the health of the patients before they pass from his care, and also to a lesser extent to the wish of the patients themselves to give this mode of treatment an extended trial in the hope of regaining their former state of health. In some cases when a patient leaves the Sanatorium he is lost sight of and fails to report himself at any of the Dispensaries until his health breaks down again, and when he is next seen the disease is so far advanced as to make further treatment almost useless. I would recommend that before a patient leaves the Sanatorium he be furnished with a notice to report himself at one of the dispensaries immediately on his return home from the Sanatorium.

HOSPITAL TREATMENT.

The surgical cases of tuberculosis are treated at the Louth County Infirmary. During the year 28 patients were sent to this Institution with the following result: 22 were discharged much improved; 2 left against medical advice; and 4 are still under treatment. This result is very satisfactory and is an instance of the skill and care bestowed on these patients by both the Medical and Nursing Staff of the Hospital.

OCCUPATIONS.

Occupations of patients suffering from tuberculosis at their first examination. Farm labourers, 18; housewives, 24; school children, 22; labourers, 16; soldiers and seamen, 12; other occupations represented by six patients or less include clerks, general servants, carters, shoemakers, herdsmen, printers, railway workers, and no occupation, 7.

HOME CONDITIONS.

Families occupying one room	14
two rooms	36
three rooms	69
four or more rooms	22

The sputum of patients suspected to be suffering from tuberculosis is tested free of charge at the Central Dispensary, Dundalk: 174 such specimens have been examined and reported on for the Medical Officers in the County.

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RESULTS OF TREATMENT.

In examining the results of the various forms of Tuberculosis it is as well to state that these results cannot be measured by the number of apparent cures or the number discharged fit for work. It cannot be too often emphasised that the original idea at the bottom of all schemes of treatment was prevention. It is a distressing fact, but still one which must be recognised that there is no known cure for tuberculosis of the lungs which are in an advanced state of disease. The majority of patients who present themselves for treatment or are recommended to visit dispensaries are so far advanced as to make improvement nearly impossible, in fact some are quite hopeless. In order to ensure of the early detection of the disease, it would apparently be advisable to have a scheme to educate the public to observe any departure from the ordinary state of health and to draw attention to the fact that such symptoms as loss of appetite, lack of interest in work, etc, are signs which even without a cough may suggest tubercular infection and need investigation by a medical practitioner.

As conditions are at present it is an extremely difficult matter to obtain early cases of tuberculosis, the so-called contact cases representing probably 90 per cent of the patients who are in the first or incipient stage of the disease. If more early cases could be obtained there would be a corresponding increase in the number of apparent cures. It is much regretted that there is no adequate provision made for the proper supervision and treatment of advanced cases, and

we know that without the removal of infection the disease is widely disseminated. We try to segregate some of the advanced cases, but everywhere there is lack of accommodation for them and there is not very much effort being made to provide for another class—the chronic cases. Very often for one patient who is given instructions and advice ninety-nine refuse to carry out medical advice.

Consequently it can be seen the adverse conditions with which tuberculosis officers are faced, in order to endeavour to stamp out the disease or at least to arrest its progress in the community.

The most satisfactory results are to be seen in children, though in order to ensure of any progress being made it is necessary for them to be kept under treatment until all trace of the disease has disappeared; and in the end it will be more beneficial than dealing with cases of long standing as is so frequently seen in the adult.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

CHARLES M'DONNELL,

Tuberculosis Officer.

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Minutes of Dundalk R. D. School Attendance Committee.

The Consideration of the Minutes of the above Committee recommending a Bonus on the basis of the Civil Service Scale to Mr D. O'meara and an increase of £10 per annum. to Mr P. J Campbell, School attendance officers was taken up.

The following resolution was,

Proposed by:- JC Keelan Esqr J. P.

Seconded by:- J. Feehan. Esqr.

That having considered the minutes of the Dundalk Rural District School. attendance Committee we do not approve of the recommendations of the Committee regarding the salaries of Messrs O'meara and Campbell.

The following amendment was.

Proposed by:- J. O'Rourke, Esqr.

Seconded by. B. Finnegan Esqr.

That the minutes of the Dundalk Rural District School attendance committee, Submitted this day be and are herby referred to the incoming Council. for consideration

On a division there voted.

For the Amendment:- Messrs Coleman, Finnegan, McGee, Patrick Morgan, O'meara, O'Rourke, and Wynne. 7

Against the Amendment:- Messrs Feehan, Goodman, Kieran, McGee J. J., Meade, Murphy, Woods Peter, Woods William 8

The amendment was declared lost.

Similar voting having been accepted on the original resolution it was declared carried and the Minutes regarding the School attendance. Officers Salaries were not approved.

Advertisements.

The notice of motion regarding County advertisements standing in the name of Mr Bernard Hamill was not proceeded with as Mr Hamill was not in attendance.

Industrial Schools.

Letter was read from the Industrial School managers associations thanking the Council for increased Capitation allowance.

Insurances

The question of Insurances on County property was referred to the new Council.

Thanks.

The Chairman thanked the Council for their Consideration during his term of office. The Secretary and Surveyor also thanked the Council.

Seamus E. O'Hyppicasa

Chairman

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Louth County Council

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their annual Meeting held in the Court House, Drogheda on Monday, 21st day of June 1920 at the hour of 11 o'Clock am.

Present:- Peter J. Butterly, Nicholas Butterly, Francis Byrne Matthew Campbell, James Coburn, Andrew Collier, Philip J. Daly, Patrick Deery, J. J. Donegan, Bernard Hamill J.P., Peter Hughes John Kearney, Jos. P. Kearney, John Kieran J.P. Michael Kieran, Michael Meade, Philip Monaghan, James E. Murphy, N. J. Murphy, J.P. J. N. McArdle J.P. Geo. McDonough, Thos. J. McGahon James J. McGee, J.P. Patrick McGee J.P. James McGuill John McGuinness Christopher Neary, Joseph Stanley, and Peter Woods J.P. Esquires

Those named having signed the Declaration accepting the office of County Councillor the Chair was taken by:-

Patrick McGee Esqr. J.P.

and the Business on the Agenda was proceeded with.

Decision to Co-opt Two Additional Councillors.

The following resolution was passed unanimously.
Proposed by:- Bernard Hamill Esqr J.P.
Seconded by:- James J. McGee Esqr. J.P.
Resolved:- That we now proceed to co-opt two gentlemen to be additional Members of the County Council for the ensuing three years.

Co-option of Two Additional Councillors.

The following resolution was
Proposed by:- James J. McGee Esqr. JP
Seconded by. Philip Monaghan Esqr.
That the following gentlemen be and are hereby coopted members of the Council for the ensuing three years.

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ial a division

Deery, Donegan
Kerly, N. Butterly.
arney. J.P. Kearney,
cArdle. McDonough.
anley Woods.
21.

charles Kearney
carried by 21 votes

McGahon, and

, Of West Street

his Council for the

The Chair was then taken by Mr Murphy who signed the Declaration accepting the office of Chairman, and returned thanks for his election

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LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,
16TH JUNE, 1920.

The Annual Meeting

OF THE COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN THE

COURT HOUSE, DROGHEDA,

On MONDAY, the 21st JUNE, 1920,

At the hour of 11 o'clock a.m.,

For the transaction of the undermentioned Business. Your attendance is requested.

AGENDA:

1. Councillors to sign Form of Declaration accepting the office of County Councillor.
2. ~~Consider question of Co-option of additional Members of County Council.~~ None
3. ~~Co-option of additional Members of Council, if so resolved.~~ None
4. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.
5. Appointment of the following Committees, etc., for the ensuing three years :—

   Finance Committee, Executive Committee, Proposal Committee, County Committee of Agriculture, Richmond Asylum Representatives (4), Technical Instruction Committee (8), County Insurance Committee (10), University Scholarship Committee (3), Council of Agriculture (2), Louth County Infirmary Representatives (10), ~~Tuberculosis Committee~~ (15), General Council of County Councils (3), Forestry Committee, Old Age Pensions Committees, viz.:—Ardee East, Ardee West, Drogheda, Dundalk North, and Dundalk South (9 on each), Fane and Wottonstown Drainage (10), Annagasson Pier Commission (8). 5

   Board of Health 1 each to Electoral Area Send copy 5 attached for 7 Rd.

6. Correspondence, and any other business the Council may deem it necessary to transact.

CHARLES McALESTER,
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council.

The following resolution was
Proposed by:- James D. McGee Esqr. JP
Seconded by. Philip Monaghan Esqr.
That the following gentlemen be and are hereby coopted members of the Council for the ensuing three years.

Messrs Philip McArdle Rampark,
and
Charles P. Kearney, Wallonstown.
It was Proposed by:- Michael Meade Esqr.
and Seconded by:- N. J. Murphy Esqr. JP.

That Wm James Wynne be coopted a member of the Council.

It was proposed by:- James Coburn Esqr.
Seconded by:- J. J. McGahon Esqr. JP.
That Wm Thos. Gosling be coopted a member of the Council
Eventually it was unanimously agreed that a division be taken on the names of:-
Messrs Wynne and Gosling as against,
Messrs McArdle and Kearney.
The division resulted as follows:-.
For Messrs. Wynne & Gosling:- Messrs Coburn, Derry, Donegan Meade, N. J. Murphy, McGahon, Pat. McGee. 7.
For Messrs. McArdle Kearney:- Messrs P. J. Buckley, N. Buckley. Byrne, Collier Daly, Hamill, Hughes, John Kearney, JP Kearney, JC Kieran, N. Kieran, Monahan, JJ Murphy, McArdle, McDonough. J. J. McGee, Wm Quill, McGuinness, Neary, Stanley Woods. 21.

Mr Mathew Campbell did not vote.

The Resolution that Messrs Philip McArdle and Charles Kearney be coopted, was then put and declared carried by 21 votes to 7.

Election of Chairman.

The following resolution was passed, Messrs McGahon, and Coburn dissenting
Proposed by:- James D. McGee Esqr JP.
Seconded by:- James McGuill Esqr.
and.
Resolved:- That Alderman James E. Murphy, of West Street Drogheda,
be and is hereby elected Chairman of this Council for the ensuing year.

The Chair was then taken by Mr Murphy who signed the Declaration accepting the office of Chairman, and returned thanks for his election.

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Election of Vice Chairman.

The following resolution was proposed by Peter Hughes Esqr and seconded by:- Joseph Stanley Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That Mr James J. McGee of Roodstown, Ardee, be and is hereby (~~appointed~~ elected) Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

Mr James Coburn proposed the election of Mr Patrick McGee to the Vice-Chair, but Mr McGee did not allow his name to be put to the Meeting and the resolution set out above was passed Mr Patrick McGee dissenting

Mr James McGee, having signed the Declaration accepting the Office of Vice Chairman returned thanks for his election.

Vote of Thanks.

The following resolution was passed unanimously

Proposed by:- N. J. Murphy Esqr, J.P.

Seconded by:- J. D. McArdle Esqr. J.P. and.

Resolved:- That the vest thanks of the Council be accorded to Mr Patrick McGee, for his services to this County as County Councillor and Chairman

Mr McGee suitably replied.

Finance Committee

The following resolution was passed unanimously

Proposed by:- J. J. McGee Esqr. J.P.

Seconded by J. McMahon Esqr J.P.

and.

Resolved:- That the entire members of the County Council be hereby constituted the Finance Committee of this Council for the ensuing three years and we hereby delegate to this Committee all powers to deal with correspondence, or any other urgent business of importance that may be brought before them

Proposal Committee

The following Resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- J. J. McGee Esqr. J.P.

Seconded by:- B. Hamill Esqr. J.P.

and.

Resolved:- That the entire Members of the Council to constitute the Proposal Committee of this Council for the ensuing three years.

Executive Committee

The following resolution was passed unanimously.

Proposed by:- Patrick McGee Esqr. J.P.

Seconded by:- Peter Hughes Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the entire Members of the Council do hereby Constitute the Executive Committee under the Diseases of Animals Acts for the ensuing three years and we delegate to said Committee any powers of the County Council under those acts, which the Committee may deem it necessary to exercise

County Committee of Agriculture.

The following resolution was passed unanimously

Proposed by:- J. D. McArdle Esqr. J.P.

Seconded by:- Michael Kieran Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the entire Members of the County Council Constitute the County Committee of Agriculture under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction Acts 1889 to 1899. for the ensuing three years, together with the following gentlemen who are not members of the County Council

and it is also Resolved that any member other than a Member of the Council who does not attend a meeting for a period of six months, shall ipso facto cease to be a member.

James Mc Carthy,	Newfoundwell, Drogheda.
Michael McKevitt	Hillsberry
Stephen Keehan	Braganstown
C.S. Whitworth	Blackrock.
Patrick Hoey	Church View, Nurches.

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Joseph J. Dolan Esq. Hoestown
~~Joseph A. Loughlin,~~ ~~Riverstown~~ Ardee
Chas. Markey, Glaspistol
Peter McArdle, Jenghart.
~~Denis J. Bailey,~~ Laurence Williams Parsonstown Clogherhead.
Michael Symes, Coderry.
Nicholas Calkin, Shanlis
Bernard McGuinness, Dundalk.
Peter Rogers, Anaglog.
Michael McKeone, Whitestown,
Thomas McEntegart, Ardee,
Patrick Connolly, Ravensdale.
Peter Gernon Roolaks

Richmond District Asylum Committee

The following Resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- James J. McGee Esqr J.P.
Seconded by:- Peter Hughes Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the following gentlemen are hereby elected to represent this Council on the Joint Committee of the Richmond District Lunatic Asylum for the ensuing three years:- Messrs. James Wynne, Michael Meade, Bernard Hamill and Joseph Stanley.

Technical Instruction Committee of Management.

The following resolution was:-
Proposed by:- P. J Daly. Esqr.
Seconded by:- J. McGuinness Esqr.
Resolved:- That the following be and are hereby appointed to represent the County Council on the Joint Committee of Technical Instruction under the Acts of 1889 (an 1891 & 1899 for the ensuing three years:-

Messrs J. J. Donegan, Patrick McGee, Nicholas Butterly, Bernard Hamill, Patrick Hughes, J. P Kearney; Christopher M. Neary, Thomas O'Rourke

Mr Patrick McGee, withdrew his name and that of Mr McDonough was substituted. Mr J. Keeran J. P having proposed and Mr I. J Mac Gahon having seconded the appointment of Mr B. L. Coleman on the Committee, Mr Donegan withdrew in favour of Mr Coleman, and the resolution in the terms above was unanimously adopted appointing.

the following:- Messrs. George Mc Donough, Bernard L. Coleman, Nicholas Butterly, Bernard Hamill, Patrick J. Hughes. Joseph P. Kearney, Christopher M. Neary. & Thos. O' Rourke.

County Louth Insurance Committee

The following resolution was:-
Proposed by:- John Kearney Esqr.,
Seconded by:- Peter Woods Esqr., JP
That:- we hereby appoint the following to act as members of the County Louth Insurance Committee, for the ensuing three years:-

Mrs Mary L. Markey.	Reynoldstown
Mrs M. Hamill	Dundalk.
Thomas O'Rourke	Dundalk.
Patrick Deery,	Dundalk.
James Wynne,	Dundalk.
Patrick McGee,	Charleville.
Bernard Hamill,	Dundalk
Mathew Campbell,	Ardee,
Charles Kearney,	Woltonstown
Philip McArdle.	Rampark.

N. J. Murphy Esqr. J. P. Proposed.
and P. McGee Esqr J. P. seconded the appointment of.
Mrs McKittrick of Drogheda.
and.
I. J. Mac Gahon Esqr. JP. Proposed
and. P. McGee Esqr. J. P. Seconded. the appointment of
Mrs J. Kieran, Dundalk.
Mr Patrick McGee withdrew his name in favour of Mrs McKittrick, and Mr McGahon having withdrawn his proposal, the resolution in the terms above was passed appointing the following on the Insurance Committee, Mrs Mary L. Markey, Mrs M. Hamill. J. O' Rourke, Patk. Deery, James Wynne, Mrs Mc Kittrick, Bernard Hamill Mathew Campbell, Charles Kearney, & Philip McArdle.

University Scholarships Committee

The following resolution was:-
Proposed by:- James McCahill Esqr.
Seconded by:- Philip Monaghan Esqr.
and.

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That :- we hereby appoint the following two gentlemen to act as the Scholarship Committee in connection with the County Scholarship Scheme for the ensuing three years:-.

Messrs. James E. Murphy, Peter Woods, Michael Kieran Joseph J. Dolan, P. O.'Dowd, Patrick O.Duffy and Joseph Mc Kenley.

After discussion

the following resolution (substituted) was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- J. McGahon Esqr J.P.

Seconded by:- Philip Monahan Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the Entire Members of the County Council be and are hereby appointed the Scholarship Committee for the Ensuing three years.

Council of Agriculture

The following Resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- Joseph Stanley Esqr.

Seconded by:- Bernard Hamill Esqr. J.P.

and.

Resolved:- That we hereby appoint the following two gentlemen to represent the Council, on the Council of agriculture under the agriculture and Technical Instruction, (Ireland) Act 1899. for the ensuing three years:- Messrs. Joseph P. Kearney, and James J. McGee.

Joint Committee of the Louth County Infirmary

The following resolution was:-

Proposed by:- Joseph P. Kearney Esq.

and Seconded by:- Philip Monahan Esq.

That the following gentlemen are hereby elected to represent the Council on the Joint Committee of the Louth County Infirmary for the ensuing three years.

Messrs:- Bernard Hamill, Philip J. Daly, James McGuill, John McGuinness, Peter Hughes, Mathew Campbell, Joseph Stanley, Peter J Butterly, George McDonough, and Peter Woods.

As an amendment it was:-

Proposed by- J. J. McGahon Esqr J. P

and Seconded by:- James Coburn Esqr.

That the following gentlemen be appointed to represent the Council on the County Louth Infirmary Committee

Messrs William Woods, James Wynne, Laurence Goodman, and John J. Murphy

It was unanimously agreed to take a division on the amendment although only four gentlemen were nominated therein as against ten in the resolution.

A division resulted as follows:-

For the amendment:- Messrs Coburn, Deery, Donegan, M. J. Murphy, McGahon, and P. McGee. 6.

Against the Amendment. Messrs. P. J. Butterly, M. Butterly, Byrne Collier, Daly, Hamill, Hughes, John Kearney, J.P. Kearney, M. Kieran Monahan, J.E. Murphy, McArdle, McDonough, J. J. McGee, McGuill, Mc Guinness, Neary, Stanley and Woods. — 20.

Messrs Campbell and J. Kieran did not vote, and Mr Meade was not present.

The amendment was declared lost and a similar voting being accepted on the resolution appointing the 10 Members. It was put and declared carried by 20 votes to 6.

Tuberculosis Committee of Management

The following Resolution was

Proposed by:- Joseph Stanley Esqr.

and Seconded by:- James J. McGee Esqr. J.P.

That:- we hereby appoint the following to act as the County Louth Tuberculosis Committee of Management for the ensuing three years, three members of said Committee to form a Quorum

Mrs M Hamill, Mrs Tom Lynch, Messrs. J. J Murphy, Patrick Deery, John Kearney, Patrick Hughes, Philip Daly, John Mc Guinness, Chs Neary, Peter Woods, Peter Butterly Francis Byrne, Peter Hughes, James Wynne, Thomas O'Rourke Bernard Hamill

It having been pointed out that the Tuberculosis Committee consisted of 15 Members only, and that 16 were named. Mrs Lynch's name was withdrawn.

The following amendment was:-

Proposed by:- J. J. McGahon Esqr. J.P.

Seconded by:- J. J Donegan Esqr.

That the following be appointed members of the County Louth Tuberculosis Committee of Management. Messrs. Pat McGee.

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N. J. Murphy, James Coburn, and Mrs. Lynch.
on a division there voted.
For the amendment:- Messrs Coburn, Deery, Donegan, McGahon, P. McGee, and Stanley.

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Against the amendment:- Messrs P.J. Butterly. N. Butterly, Byrne, Collier, Daly, Hamill, Hughes, John Kearney, Joseph P Kearney, M Kieran, Monahan, J.B. Murphy, N. J Murphy, McArdle, McDonough, J. J. McGee, McGuill, McGuinness Neary and Woods.

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Messrs Campbell & J C Kieran did not vote.

The Amendment was declared lost and the resolution being put it was declared carried Messrs P. McGee, McGahon, Donegan, and N. J. Murphy dissenting

General Council of County Councils

The following resolution was
Proposed by:- Peter Hughes Esqr.
and seconded by:- Philip Monahan Esqr.
That we hereby appoint the following gentlemen to represent the County Council on the General Council of County Councils for the ensuing three years:-
Messrs James B. Murphy, James J. McGee, and J. M. McArdle.

The following amendment was.
Proposed by J. J. McGahon Esqr J.P.
and seconded by N. J Murphy Esqr J.P.
That:- Messrs J. J. Dolan, James B Murphy and James J. McGee be our representatives on the General Council of County Councils
on a division by show of hands there voted
For the Amendment. Messrs Campbell. Coburn, Deery, Donegan J. C Kieran, N. J. Murphy. P. McGee, McGahon.

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Against the Amendment:- Messrs P.J. Butterly, N. Butterly Byrne, Collier, Daly, Hamill, Hughes, J. Kearney, J.P. Kearney. M Kieran Monahan, J.B. Murphy McGuill. McGuinness, Neary, Stanley and Woods.

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The Amendment was declared lost and similar voting being accepted on the resolution it was put and declared carried by 17 votes to 8.

Forestry Committee.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- Bernard Hamill Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- Philip J. Daly Esqr.
and
Resolved:- That we hereby appoint the following gentlemen to act as the County Forestry Committee for the ensuing three years:- all the members of the County Council and Messrs J.J. Dolan. M.A. Joseph McLoughlin, James Wynne, and Sir Thomas McArdle

Old Age Pensions Committee

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- Michael Kieran Esqr
Seconded by:- G. McDonough Esqr
and
Resolved:- That we hereby appoint the following gentlemen as the Old Age Pensions Committee for

Ardee East.
Rev. P. Finegan. P.P. Togher, Rev. Father Byrne, Dunleer.
Rev. R. Fagan P.P. Kilsaran, Messrs James Dernan, Glebe House, Dunleer, Patrick Daly, Dunleer, James McGrane Burren, Thomas Kearney, Dunleer, Patrick McGee, Charleville and Nicholas Butterly, Millstown

Old Age Pensions Committee

The following resolution was:-
Proposed by:- Joseph Stanley Esqr.
Seconded by:- P Monahan Esqr.
That we hereby appoint the following gentlemen as the Old Age Pensions Committee for the ensuing three years.

Ardee West (Dunleer).

Very Rev. P. Canon Lyons P.P. Ardee, Rev Father McOscar Dallanstown, Rev Father Ward, Rathroney, Rev Father Dolan.

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Collon, Miss Alice French, Smarmore, Messrs M Campbell, Ardee, John Kearney, Cavanrobert, James McDonnell, Mullaclos, and J. J. Dolan M.A. Ardee.

The following Amendment was
Proposed by:- Patrick McGee Esqr J.P.
Seconded by:- J. J Donegan Esqr.
That Messrs R. Stokes, Ardee, and Joseph McLoughlin Roestown, be appointed on the Ardee west old Age Pensions Committee

on a division there voted
For the amendment. Messrs Coburn, Deery, Donegan, M. J. Murphy McGahon, and P. McGee 6

Against the Amendment:- Messrs. P. J. Butterly. M. Butterly, Byrne, Collier, Daly, Hamill, Hughes, John Kearney. JP. Kearney, M Kieran, McArdle, Mc Donough, J. J. McGee, Mc Guinness, Neary, and Stanley. 16.

Did not vote Messrs Campbell, J. C Kieran, Monahan, J. P. Murphy, McGrill and Woods.

The amendment was declared lost and the resolution having been put was declared carried unanimously

Old Age Pensions Committee

The following resolution was passed unanimously
Proposed by:- Joseph Stanley Esqr
Seconded by:- Peter Hughes Esqr

and

Resolved:- that we hereby appoint the following gentlemen as the old Age Pension Committee for the ensuing three years for:-

Drogheda.

Mrs Markey, Reynoldstown, Andrew Collier, Cruistown, Nicholas Butterly, Millltown Dunker, Joseph McGovern, Monasterboice, James McKeon, Gabrostown, M. J. Murphy Hill of Rath, James J. Mc Donnell, Priestlown George Mc Donough Carstown, and William Burke, Dullyallow.

Old Age Pension Committee

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- Peter Woods Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- James J. McGee Esqr J.P.

and

Resolved:- that we hereby appoint the following gentlemen as the old age Pensions Committee for the ensuing three years:-.

Dundalk North

Rev. M. McNamee, Omeath, Rev M. O'Brien, Omeath, Messrs J. P Kearney, Willville, J. M. McArdle. Ramparts. John Kearney, Whitestown, Peter Woods, Piedmont. Peter McArdle, Faughart, P. J. Connolly, Ravensdale, William Woods, Carlingford

Old Age Pension Committee.

The following resolution was.
Proposed by:- John McGuinness Esq.
Seconded by. James J. McGee Esqr J.P.
that we hereby appoint the following gentlemen as the old age Pension Committee for the ensuing three years for:-

Dundalk South.

Rev Wm. McCann, C.C. Kilkerley, Messrs C.M. Neary, Monasallen. Michael McArdle, Ash Big, J. J. Murphy, Oaktate, John McGuinness, Kilcroney, Francis Byrne. Roolake, Patrick McArdle, Knockbridge John Mc Guinness, Newtownbarver, Mathew Conlon, Arlôney

The following amendment was:-
Proposed by:- J. J. McGahon Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- Patk McGee Esq. J.P.
that we hereby appoint the following on the Dundalk South old Age Pensions Committee:- Messrs Patrick Byrne, Joseph Sharkey, Bernard Hughes, and John Clarke.

on a division there voted.

For the Amendment:- Messrs Coburn, Deery, Donegan, M. J. Murphy. McGahon, P. McGee

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Against:- Messrs P.J. Butterly N. Butterly, Byrne, Collier, Daly, Hamill, Hughes, John Kearney, Jos. P. Kearney, M. Kieran Monahan, J.B. Murphy, McArdle, McDonough, J.J. McGee McGuill; McGuinness Neary & Stanley

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Messrs M. Campbell & J Kieran did not vote, and P. Woods was absent during the division

The Resolution was then put and similar voting being accepted it was declared carried by 19 votes to 6.

Jane & Woltonstown Drainage District Committees

The following resolution was after discussion passed unanimously.

Proposed by. Jn. McArdle Esq JP.
seconded by Michael Kerran Esq.

and.

Resolved that we hereby appoint the following gentlemen to act as the Jane Drainage and Woltonstown Drainage District Committees, for the ensuing three years:-

Messrs P McGee, Michael Meade, John J. Murphy, Charles Kearney, James J. McGee, Chs Neary, John McGuinness Francis Byrne, J.P. Kearney, and Bernard Hamill.

Annagassan Pier Commission

After discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously.

Proposed by:- Peter Hughes Esqf.
Seconded by:- P Monahan Esq

and.

Resolved:- That we hereby nominate the following persons as members of the Annagassan Pier Commission ~~Orctee~~ for the ensuing three years:-.

Council Commissioners 3.

Nicholas Butterly, Michael Meade,
Charles Kearney,

Local Commissioners 3.

Charles D. King Annagassan.
Peter McGuinness do.
Mathew Clinton do.

County Commissioners 2.

Thomas Byrne, The Mill Annagassan
John Charman, Saltestown.

Dail Eireann

The following resolution was:-

Proposed by:- James McGuill Esq.
Seconded by:- Nicholas Butterly Esq.
Resolved:- That this Council of the Elected Representatives of the South County Council, at a duly convened meeting hereby acknowledges the Authority of "Dail Eireann" as the duly elected Government of the Irish people, and undertakes to give effect to all decrees duly promulgated by the said "Dail Eireann" in so far as same effect this Council.

That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Republican Ministry for Foreign Affairs for transmission to the Governments of Europe, and to the President and Chairman of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America

A direct negative was

Proposed by:- J. J McGahon, Esqf JP.
Seconded by:- Patk McGee Esqf JP.
The resolution was put and.
on a division there voted.
For the Resolution:- Messrs P. J Butterly, N. Butterly, Byrne, Campbell Collier, Daly, Hamill, Hughes, John Kearney, Jos. P. Kearney, JC Kieran, M Kieran, Monahan JB. Murphy, McArdle. McDonough, JJ. McGee. McGuill, McGuinness, Neary, Stanley Woods.

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Against Messrs. Coburn, Deery, Donegan. M. J. Murphy, McGahon, and P. McGee.

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The resolution was declared carried by 22 votes to 6.

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Railway. Workers v Munitions

the following resolution was.

Proposed by:- Joseph Stanley Esqr.
Seconded by:- Peter Hughes Esqr.

Resolved:- That this Council endorses the action of the Irish Railwaymen and Transport Workers. in refusing to handle. Munitions of War, and pledges its support to the workers involved.

It was

Proposed by J. J McGahon Esq J.P. that the above resolution be not put. this amendment. was not seconded and fell through, and after discussion on the resolution it was put. to the Meeting and carried unanimously.

School Attendance Committees.

In reply to a question as to why the School Attendance Committees were not down on the Agenda for re. election, the Secretary explained that the Committees had been appointed in February last year for the ensuing three years. He was directed to enquire as to the powers of the new Council in the matter, as it was the opinion of a number of members that all Committees should be appointed this day

Election Expenses.

Mr P. J Roe, Returning Officer at the recent County Council Elections applied for £600 on account of expenditure incurred thereat. Payment of the sum asked for was ordered.

Subsidiary account.

The Transfer of a sum of £2000 from the General to the Subsidiary account was ordered.

Milk Production.

Circular. Letter from the Commission of Enquiry into the Resources and Industries of Ireland enclosing copies of Report on Milk Production was referred to the County Committee of Agriculture.

Larkin Release Committee

In response to a Circular letter from the Larkin Release Committee the following resolution was.

Proposed by:- Philip Monahan Esqr.,
Seconded by:- Joseph Stanley Esqr and.

after discussion Unanimously resolved:- that we. protest against the sentence imposed by the American Government on Mr Jim Larkin and demand his release.

Secretary's Holidays

The Secretary applied and was unanimously granted his annual (leave of) holidays, Mr Gilmore to take charge. during his absence.

and.

~~Congratulation~~. and congratulation

A vote of thanks to the Chairman for his able conduct in the Chair was.

Proposed by:- Bernard Hamill Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- J Kierian Esqr J.P.

and.

unanimously adopted.

The Chairman suitably replied and the business of the annual meeting terminated

Seán Ua. Ó Muircheartaigh

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Louth County Council

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Special meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Monday 5th July 1920 at the hour of 1.30 o'clock p.m.

Present:- In the Chair:- James T. Murphy Esqr.
Other Members:- Peter J. Butterly, Francis Byrne, Mathew Campbell, Philip J. Daly, Patrick Deary, Bernard Hamill J.P. Patrick J. Hughes, Peter Hughes, C.P. Kearney, John Kearney, Joseph P. Kearney, J. O'Kieran J.P. M. Kieran, M. Meade, P. Monahan, J.J. Murphy, J.P. N.J. Murphy J.P. J.H. McArdle, J.P. Philip McArdle, T.J. Mac Gahon, J.P. James J. McGee J.P. P. McGee J.P. J. McGuill, J. McGuinness, C. Neary, Joseph Stanley and Peter Woods J.P. Esquires

The County Solicitor was in attendance

The Council met to consider the following notice of motion standing in the name of Mr James J. McGee

"I beg to give Notice, that, at the Special meeting of the Louth County Council, to be held on Monday, the 5th day of July 1920, I shall move to rescind the resolutions fixing the hours of meetings of the County Councils, and of the various Statutory Committees, thereof, and shall move that the said meetings shall in future be held at the hour of 4.30 O'clock. p.m.";

The Notice convening the meeting having been read. Mr McGee proposed resolution in accordance with notice in the following terms

"That the resolutions fixing the hours of meetings of the County Councils held in Dundalk, and of the various Statutory committees thereof be rescinded and that these meetings be in future held at 4.30 o'clock p.m., the County Council meetings to be held on Thursday, and the Committee Meetings on Monday

The Resolution was seconded by Mr Philip Monahan, Mayor of Drogheda

Mr Patrick McGee, J.P. moved a direct negative
The following amendment was:-
Proposed by:- N.J. Murphy Esqr. J.P.
Seconded by:- J. McGahon Esqr. J.P.

That the resolutions fixing the hours of meetings be rescinded only in so far as the Statutory Committees are effected and that they be held in future at 4.30 o'clock p.m.

on a division there voted:-

For the amendment:- Messrs Deary, Meade, J.J. Murphy, N.J. Murphy, T.J. Mac Gahon, and P. McGee. 6.
Against the amendment:- Messrs Butterly, Byrne, Campbell, Daly, Hamill, Patrick Hughes, Peter Hughes, C.P. Kearney, John Kearney, Joseph P. Kearney, John O'Kieran, M. Kieran, Monahan, J.J. Murphy, J.H. McArdle, Philip McArdle, J.J. McGee, McGuill, McGuinness, Neary, Stanley and Woods. 22.

The Chairman declared the amendment lost. and the Resolution having been put; and similar voting accepted; it was declared carried by 22 votes to 6.

James T. O'Murphy
Chairman.

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Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their second Quarterly Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Thursday, 29th July 1920 at the hour of 11.30 o'clock. P.M.

Present:- In the Chair:- James C. Murphy Esqr.
Other Members:- P. J. Butterly, J. Byrne, H. Campbell, A. Collier, P. J. Daly, P. Deery, Peter Hughes, J. Kieran JP. M. Kieran, JP. Kearney, P. Monahan, J. J. Murphy JP., James J. McGee, J. McGill O'Neary, Joseph Stanley, and G. McDonough. Esquires.

The County and assistant Surveyors, and Mr P. J. Roe (acting for the County Solicitor) were in attendance

Confirmation of General Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by. P. J. Daly Esqr.
Seconded by. J. J. McGee Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the proceedings of the Louth County Council, at their Meeting held on the undermentioned dates, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council be and are hereby confirmed

First (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting	27th May 1920.
Annual Meeting	21st June 1920.
Special Meeting	5th July 1920.

Confirmation of Finance Committee Minutes.

The following resolution was passed unanimously.
Proposed by:- JP. Kearney Esqr.
Seconded by:- J. McGuill Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Finance Committee at their Meeting held on the undermentioned

dates, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council with all payments; and recommendations contained therein be and are hereby confirmed:-.

Thursday.	3rd June 1920.
Monday.	21st June 1920.
Monday.	5th July 1920.
Monday.	19th July 1920

Confirmation of Proposal Committee.

The following resolution was passed unanimously.
Proposed by. Andrew Collier Esqr.
Seconded by. J. Stanley Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the proceedings of the Proposal Committee at their Meetings held on 5th July, 1920. a copy of each having been sent to each Member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Drainage Districts Committees.

The following resolution, was passed unanimously.
Proposed by:- P. J. Butterly Esqr.
Seconded by:- Andrew Collier Esqr.
Resolved:- That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Dane, and Wolfestown Drainage Districts Committees - at their Meetings held on the 12th July 1920; a copy of each, having been sent to each Member of the Council be and are hereby confirmed.

Ardee Payments.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- Peter Hughes Esqr.
Seconded by:- J. Stanley Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the Proposal for Payments formulated by the Ardee No1. Rural District Council, at their Second Quarterly Meeting held on the 6th July. 1920, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby confirmed.
These payments amount to the Sum of:-
£963. 18. 4.

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Drogheda Payments.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- A. Collier Esqr.
Seconded by:- P. Hughes Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- that, the Proposal for Payments formulated by the South Rural District Council of Drogheda Union, at their Second Quarterly Meeting held on the 13th July 1920, and set out on Form 22 - furnished to the County Council - be and are hereby approved of:

These payments amount to the sum of:-
£714. 3. 2.

Dundalk Payments.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-.
Proposed by:- J. Byrne Esqr.
Seconded by:- P. Deery Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- that the Proposal for Payments formulated by the Dundalk Rural District Council, at their Second Quarterly Meeting held on the 12th July 1920 - and set out on Form 22. furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

These payments amount to the sum of:-
£1386. 4. 8.

County-at-Large Payments.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-.
Proposed by:- P.J. McGee. Esqr.
Seconded by:- P.J. Daly Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- that the Proposal for Payments formulated by the Proposal Committee at their second Quarterly Meeting held on the 19th July 1920, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

These payments amount to the sum of £1086H. 5. 3.

Dates of Quarterly Meetings.

After hearing the Chairman from the Rural District Councils, the following resolution was passed unanimously:-.

Proposed by:- J. Byrne Esqr.
Seconded by:- A Collier Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- that, the Council hereby determine that the following shall be the dates for the holding of the third Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils:-.

Ardee 9th October 1920.
Drogheda 16th October 1920.
Dundalk. 4th October 1920;

and that the Proposal Committee meet on Monday 11th October 1920.

Appointments on County Committee.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-.
Proposed by:- J. Stanley Esqr.
Seconded by:- J. McGuill Esqr.

and,

Resolved:- that we hereby appoint Mr Laurence McKenna, of Parsonstown and Mr J. J. Dolan of Ardee on the South County Committee of Agriculture vice Messrs. J. McLoughlin, and D. J. Rath, resigned.

Forestry Committee

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-.
Proposed by:- P. Monahan Esqr.
Seconded by:- J. J. McGee Esqr.
Resolved:- that, we hereby appoint Dr. Wm. Bradley of Drogheda. on the County Forestry Committee vice Mr J. McLoughlin resigned

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Infirmary Committee.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- J. E. Murphy Esqr.
Seconded by:- P. J. Buttery Esqr.

and,

Resolved:- That we hereby appoint, Mr JCkeran of Ashville, Dundalk, on South County Infirmary Committee vice Mr G. Mc Donough resigned.

Technical Sub-Committee.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- Peter Hughes Esqr.
Seconded by:- J Mc Guill Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That we hereby appoint the following members to act as a Sub. Committee in the interests of Technical Instruction in South Louth.

Messrs. M. Campbell Ardee, J. J. Dolan M.A. Ardee.
Thomas Gaagher, Smarmore, N. J. Murphy Mill of Rath.
G. Mc Donough, Corstown, Charles P. Kearney, Workhouse Farm.

Notices of Motion

Notice of Motion standing in the name of Mr P. Monaghan, was put as a substantive resolution as follows, and passed. Mr P. Deery dissenting

Proposed by:- P. Monahan Esqr.
Seconded by:- J. Stanley Esqr.

and.

Resolved - "That, with a view to preventing the collection of Income Tax, by British Tax Gatherers, this Council, instructs all its officials concerned. (1) That no lists of Ratepayers for information of British Agents, be drawn up, in the Council office, nor any facilities given for copying or taking extracts from Rate or Valuation Books for above purpose. (2) That No lists be supplied, to such Agents showing the Salaries, or wages paid by the Council to their Officials or Employees (3) That every possible obstacle be placed in the way of the British Government in collecting Taxes and otherwise"

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of the Chairman was put as follows and passed Mr J. J Murphy dissenting.

Proposed by:- J. Murphy Esqr.
Seconded by:- J Mc Guill Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- "That, this Council condemns the practice of canvassing either directly or indirectly, the votes and influence of its members for the purpose of securing appointments or employment, in the gift of this Council, and we hereby resolve that such practice will in future be deemed a disqualification to the obtaining of any appointment or employment, in the gift of this Council".

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Mr JCkeran regarding the supervision of the Irish Education Act. 1892. was after discussion withdrawn on the motion of J. Mc Gee Esqr.
Seconded by:- P. Monahan, a Committee consisting of the Chairman Mr JCkeran, and Mr J. Mc Guill, was appointed to consider and report on the working of the Act in the County.

Blackrock Promenade

The resolution in the matter of Mr. Dundalk Rural District Council was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

I. N. O. D Report.

On the Motion of J. Stanley Esqr.
Seconded by:- P. Monahan Esqr. the Report of the Tuberculosis Medical Officer which appeared in the printed minutes, was unanimously adopted.

Standing Orders

On the Motion of Mr. Campbell Esqr.
Seconded by:- P. Monahan Esqr. the following - sub-committee was unanimously appointed to revise the Standing Orders of the Council.

The Chairman, The Vice-Chairman and Mr Peter Hughes.

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Local Asylum Committee.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by- J.E. Murphy Esqr.
Seconded by- J. McGuill Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That, we hereby appoint the following Committee, in connection with proposed local Asylum at Ardee with plenary powers financial and otherwise, to further the Scheme for the establishment of the said local asylum:- All the Members of the County Council - and Very Rev. P. Canon Lyons PP. Sir J. Chacardle, Messrs. L. J. McGee, J. Wayne Esqr JP. J. McCarthy JP. J. J. Dolan MA. and J. V. Mac Amlan.

Trading with Belfast

By leave of the Council, the following resolution was
Proposed by:- J. McGuill Esqr.
Seconded by P. Monahan Esqr., and passed unanimously

Resolved:- That, we the members of the South County Council, hereby call, on all Traders, in the County to cancel existing orders placed with wholesale Agents or manufacturing firms in Belfast and other Northern Towns effected, and that no further orders, be placed with such firms until such time as the workers who have been victimized are reinstated; and further, that we call on the general public to see that Traders comply with this request otherwise to withdraw support from those who refuse.

Telephones

On the motion of Mr P. J. Kearney, the Secretary was directed to write the National Telephone Company, asking to have the telephone installed in Ardee, Dunleer and Carlingford

Correspondence

Resolution from the Catholic Total Abstinence Federation regarding illicit Drink Traffic, was adopted and on the motion

of Mr Joseph Stanley seconded by the Chairman, referred to the Republican Police for necessary action.

Resolution of the Westmeath County Council regarding the imprisonment Mr R. G Dalton was on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by J Byrne unanimously adopted.

Resolution re unpurchased tenants submitted by Croom Rural District Council, was unanimously adopted.
Resolution from Meath County Council re Equivalent Grant for Educational purpose was marked "read."

Documents for Sealing:- The Secretary submitted for Sealing application for the Sub Division of a quarry of which the Council propose to purchase from Geo Atkinson, Channonrock. and the Deed of Charge for the Loan of £500 for Wottonstown Drainage District.
on the motion of Peter Hughes Esqr.
Seconded by- J Byrne Esqr.
the documents
and quarry agreements recommended for Sealing by the Finance Committee were ordered to be Sealed with the Common Seal of the Council.

Seamus E. O'Murchadha.
Chairman

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LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE
COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,
13TH AUGUST, 1920.

Sir,

The Second (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting of the Council will be held in the

COURT HOUSE, DROGHEDA,

On Thursday, the 19th August, 1920,

At the hour of **ONE** o'clock p.m.,

For the transaction of the following Business, which Meeting you are hereby requested to attend.

AGENDA:

1. Confirmation of the General Minutes of the Council.
2. Confirmation of the Finance Committee Minutes.
3. Confirmation of the Executive Committee Minutes.
4. Confirmation of the Proposal Committee Minutes.
5. Confirmation of Asylum Committee Minutes.
6. Consider Report from County Surveyor.
7. Consideration of Proposals for Works formulated by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
8. Consider Tenders (if any received) for Works not set by Contract at Adjourned Meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
9. Correspondence.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

CHARLES McALESTER.

SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council.

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Minutes of Proceedings of the South County Council at their Second (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting held in the Court House Drogheda on Thursday, 19th August 1920 at the hour of one o'clock p.m.

Present:- In the Chair. Alderman James E. Murphy.
Other Members:- Francis Byrne, M Campbell. Peter Hughes, C.P. Kearney, J.P. Kearney, John Kearney. Michael Kieran, M.D. Murphy, Esquires and Alderman Monahan, Mayor of Drogheda.

Messrs. T. Walsh, County Surveyor. and James Dromgoole, assistant Surveyor were also present.

Confirmation of General Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by. alderman James E Murphy.
Seconded by. alderman Philip Monahan.

and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the proceedings of the South County Council at their second Quarterly Meeting held on 29th July 1920 a copy of which was been sent to each member of the Council be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Finance Committee Minutes.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- alderman JE. Murphy.
seconded by:- J.P. Kearney Esq.

and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Finance Committee at their Meeting held on the undermentioned dates, a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council with all payments and recommendations contained therein, be and are hereby confirmed. Tuesday 3rd August, 1920.
Monday, 16th August 1920.

Confirmation of Executive Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-.
Proposed by:- Alderman J. B. Murphy.
Seconded by:- Peter Hughes Esqr

and

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meeting held on the 16th August 1920 a copy of which has been sent to each Member of the Council be and are hereby confirmed. It was further resolved that the increases to William Leonard, Ardee, Bank Superintendent and Thomas Conlon, Ardee for water supply, date as from 1st August 1920.

Confirmation of Proposal Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-.
Proposed by:- Alderman J.B. Murphy.
Seconded by:- Michael Kieran Esqr

and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Proposal Committee at their Meeting held on the 16th August 1920, a copy of which has been sent to each Member of the Council be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Asylum Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- Alderman J. B. Murphy.
Seconded by:- John Kearney Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Asylum Committee at their Meeting held on the 10th August 1920, a copy of which has been sent to each Member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed, and that Mr Peter Hughes be appointed to act on the Special Asylum Committee

Confirmation of Dane. Drainage Committee Minutes.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- Peter Hughes Esqr.
Seconded by:- Francis Byrne Esqr

and.

Resolved That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Dane Drainage District Committee at their meeting held on the 20th July 1920, a copy of which has been sent to each Member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Wottonstown Drainage District Committee Minutes.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-.
Proposed by:- Alderman J.B. Murphy.
Seconded by:- C.P. Kearney Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Wottonstown Drainage Committee at their Meeting held on 26th July 1920 a copy of which has been sent to each Member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Report of County Surveyor.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- Alderman James B. Murphy
Seconded by:- Michael Kieran Esqr.

and

Resolved:- That the Report of the County Surveyor as appearing on Page 1 of the Schedule of Proposals for the 19th August 1920, a copy of which has been furnished to each member of the Council, be and is hereby approved of.

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COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

County Surveyor's Office,
Court House, Dundalk,
7th August, 1920.

To the Chairman and Gentlemen of Louth County Council, assembled at Juarterly Meeting, 19th August, 19th August, 1920.

Mr Chairman and Gentlemen,

None of the Works passed by Rural District Councils at their recent Quarterly Meetings calls for any remark.

Contractors, with a few exceptions, have made very fair efforts to supply quarter's material specified by the 30th June.

As to Works in charge of County Surveyor, including the Works being carried out with the aid of a grant from the Ministry of Transport, good progress has been made in getting materials out in Ardee and Dundalk Rural Districts, and better progress would have been made were it not for the order holding up all gelignite for blasting. In this respect we have been held back worst in Drogheda Rural District where holes have been drilled in quarries ready for explosion since the end of May last, and the work held up for the want of gelignite. The authorities, when deciding to restrict the use of gelignite for quarries decided at the same time to allow blasting powder and fuse. Under present conditions this would be useless. In this respect, I quote from my report of May, 1919:—"Formerly the small contractor could keep his stock of blasting powder, put in an 18 inch or two foot hole with hand jumper, and take out his blast as required —perhaps two or three times a day. Now before any explosives are allowed, he must have the holes ready, he must then apply to the authorities for a Permit and Escort to accompany the explosives, and the explosives must be used in the presence of the Escort. Without appliances to drill a large number of holes and explode them all simultaneously, it would be appallingly troublesome and costly to be getting out, say, a distance of 13 or 14 miles a pound, or two of explosives, as required, to work in the old way, even if the authorities would give permits and escorts."

For deep, wet holes, to get out considerable quantities of stone, as we require, blasting powder would be hopelessly inefficient. The cost, even could we use it, would be four or five times that of gelignite for explosives alone; while the sledging down to a size suitable for feeding into a stone-crusher would probably be doubled, and probably unexploded powder in the holes would be a source of danger to the quarrymen.

Your obedient Servant.

THOMAS WALSH, Co. Surveyor.

Ardee Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- M Campbell Esqr.
Seconded by:- C. P. Kearney Esqr

and.

Resolved That the Proposal for works formulated by the Ardee Rural District Council, at their Second (Adjourned) Quarterly meeting held on the 17th July 1920 and set out on Form 20 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

Dundalk Works.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- J. Byrne Esqr.
Seconded by:- C.P. Kearney Esqr

and.

Resolved:- That the proposal for works formulated by the Dundalk Rural District Council, at their Second (Adjourned) Quarterly Meeting held on 26th July 1920 and set out on Form 20

furnished to the County Council be and are hereby approved of.

Works placed in Charge of the County Surveyor.

No Tenders were received for Works Advertised
The following resolution was passed unanimously
Proposed by:- Alderman J. F. Murphy.
Seconded by:- Peter Hughes Esqr

and.

Resolved:- That the Proposal for works passed by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee at their last Quarterly Meetings, and for which no contracts have been entered into be placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Death of Miss Deery

The following resolution was passed unanimously:-
Proposed by:- Alderman J. F. Murphy,
Seconded by:- J.P. Kearney Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That we learn with regret of the death of Miss Deery of Dundalk, Sister of our esteemed Colleague Mr Patrick Deery and we beg to tender to him, and to the Members of his family our sincere Sympathy.

Mr. M. Campbell, stated he desired to be associated with the vote of Sympathy to Mr Deery.

British Ground to Archbishop Mannix

By consent of the Council the following resolution was:-
Proposed by:- Alderman P. Monahan.
Seconded by:- M. J. Murphy Esqr

and passed unanimously.

Resolved:- That this Council calls attention to the grossly unconstitutional action of the English Government in preventing Archbishop Mannix of Melbourne from visiting his native land.

That we Congratulate him upon his manly stand in defence of the liberty of the Subject, and hereby resolve that this Council present him with an address of welcome on the occasion of his return to Ireland.

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Quarterly Salaries

The Secretary submitted Treasurer's Authority for the payment on the 1st of October 1920 of the Quarterly amounts for the Salaries of the Councils officials and others to the 30th September 1920. Included in these amounts were sums of £11. 15. 0. payable to Mr John Russell. Salary as Sub-Sheriff and £4 to Arthur Burns, Court Crier, and on the motion of Alderman James to Meeting.
Seconded by:- alderman P. Monahan
It was unanimously decided to refuse payment of these amounts Two other payments for Superannuation (were allowance to Annie Foster (£3. 12. 6.) and David Shaw (£10. 12/11). were held over for inquiry

The Authority was then Signed

Correspondence.

Maintenance of Patients at Peamount:- Letter was read from the Tuberculosis Committee enclosing a letter from Peamount Sanatorium stating owing to the increased cost of provisions etc it would be necessary to increase the weekly cost of patients from 35/- to 42/- per week as from 1st August. After discussion the Council agreed to pay the increase for the patients sent from South County.

Insurance Committee:- Letter was read from from the Insurance Committee of County South informing the Council that the following were nominated as their representatives on the Tuberculosis Committee: Rev Father McKeone A.M.D. Mrs McKelvick Mrs Markey. Dr Reagh Dances Kelly.

Dublin Chamber of Commerce Home Rule: A letter Resolution from the Dublin Chamber of Commerce regarding Self-Government was marked read.

Institution of Municipal Engineers:- a letter from this body with reference to the salaries of Assistant County Surveyors. was referred to the Finance Committee

Ardee Bridewell:- Letter was read from Mr O'Connell, County Solicitor with reference to the question of the Costs of the Agreement in settlement of this matter, was referred to the Finance Committee.

Carlingford New Road:- Letter was read from County Solicitor explaining the causes of delay in Starting the work of making the new Road at Carlingford, and that he hoped to report in a short time that the work might be commenced.

Waterproofs for Workmen:- Letter from Messrs Casey & Co waterproof Manufacturers, May. Co Tyrone, requesting a trial of their goods for the Councils workmen, when same, would be required It was unanimously decided to give this firm's goods a trial for any future requirements, and the County Surveyor was instructed accordingly.

The Council adjourned.

Seamus E. O'Hanrahan
Chairman

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LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,
19TH AUGUST, 1920.

Sir,

I am directed by the Chairman to convene

A Special Meeting

OF THE COUNCIL, TO BE HELD IN THE

COUNCIL CHAMBER, COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,

On Tuesday, the 24th August, 1920,

At the hour of **4-30** o'clock p.m.,

For the purpose of

Considering the Council's present relations with the British Local Government Board.

Your attendance is requested.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

CHARLES McALESTER,
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council.

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Louth County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Special Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on Tuesday the 24th day of August 1920.

Present in the Chair:- Alderman James E. Murphy.
Other Members:- P. J. Bellew, J. Byrne, P. J. Daly, B. Hamill, Patrick Hughes, Peter Hughes, John Kearney, J.P. Kearney, Michael Kirran, J.H. McArdle, P. McArdle, C. McDonough, James J. McGee, P. McGee, J. Mc Guill, J. McGuinness, O'Neary, and P. Woods Esquires, and Aldermen P. Monahan and J. Stanley.

The Secretary read the Circular convening the Meeting, and also the following Circulars from the Local Government Board, and Chief Secretary's Office.

Local Government Board,
Dublin,
29th July 1920.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland, to state that their attention has been called to the series of resolutions passed by certain Local Authorities in Ireland, repudiating the Authority of the Imperial Parliament and declaring their intention to place every obstacle in the way of the existing administration under His Majesty's Government.

In view of the possible effect of this policy upon the responsibilities of the Departments acting under the control of Parliament which regulate the issue of loans and subsidies to public bodies in Ireland, the Government have given the Board explicit instructions that no loans or grants from public funds for any purpose shall be made, by the Local Government Board, to any local authority without a definite assurance that they will submit their accounts to audit and be prepared to conform to the rules and orders of the Local Government Board as heretofore.

The Board have observed that concurrently with the adoption of the resolutions above referred to many local authorities are engaged in the preparation of schemes for housing and road construction and public health improvements, all of which involve loans

and large subsidies from the Imperial Exchequer. They therefore deem it right to give early intimation that unless applications for loans and grants from these Authorities are accompanied by an assurance as aforesaid it will not be within the discretion of the Local Government Board to entertain them.

In this connection, the Board desire to point out that the New Councils seem to be under a misconception as to the purport of the regulations, and orders of the Local Government Board. These order were not framed with a view of restricting the authority of the Councils; their sole object and intention is to secure efficiency and uniformity in the System of administration and to safeguard the interests of ratepayers throughout the County.

I am, Sir
Your Obedient Servant.
A. P. Barlas
Secretary

To/
Each Local Authority

Chief Secretary's Office,
Dublin Castle.
4th August 1920.

Sir,

I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to state that in view of the resolutions passed by certain bodies in Ireland repudiating the authority of the Imperial Parliament it is necessary for His Excellency to withold further Payment from the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account, to any local authority until a definite assurance is received from County and Urban District Councils accustomed to share in such payments that they will distribute the money to the services to which they are assigned by statute; that they, as also the Rural District Councils and the Boards of Guardians on whose behalf portion of the payments are made will submit their accounts to the Local Government Board Audit as heretofore, and that they will conform to the rules, and orders of the Board.

I am, accordingly to request that an assurance in the foregoing terms may be forwarded by your Council at an early date.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
James MacMahon

The Secretary tabled a list of the Government Grants, received by the Council for the financial year ended 31st March 1920, which amounted to the Sum of £21,937. 18. 7. Other Grants by way of recoupment amounted to £2551. 12. 1. The contribution from the Insurance Committee £896, and the balance of Road Board Grant, £3453. making a total of £27,413. 10. 8. He also stated that in other years the Sum of £9000 approximately was paid on or before the 30th September.

Alderman Monahan Proposed, and Mr. P. J. Berkely Seconded, a Motion to Suspend the Standing orders, to enable a Special Resolution to be considered at this meeting. This resolution was passed unanimously.

Alderman Monahan, then proposed the following resolution which was seconded by Peter Hughes Esqr.

"That the resolution constituting the Hibernian Bank Treasurer of the Council be, and is hereby rescinded".

That a Committee consisting of the Chairman, Alderman James E. Murphy, Messrs Michael Kieran and James. Mc Gee be and is hereby appointed to Control all funds in possession of, or which may come into ~~their~~ possession of the Council.

"That, all officials of the Council be and are hereby directed to obey the orders of this Committee as to the disposal of all monies in their possession or which may come into their possession on behalf of the Council.

The Chairman then put the resolution and same was carried, Mr Patrick Mc Gee, dissenting.

The Meeting then terminated.

Chairman

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LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.
COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,
16TH SEPTEMBER, 1920.

Sir,

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of the

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

TO BE HELD IN THE

COUNCIL CHAMBER, COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,

On Monday, the 20th September, 1920,

At the hour of **4-30** o'clock p.m.,

To consider Applications for Scholarships under the County Scholarship Scheme for the year 1920-21, and the question of the renewal of existing Scholarships.

Immediately afterwards a

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

Will be held to consider the following Business :—

Consider recommendations of Scholarship Committee, and award Scholarships.

Consider question of the holding of Coroner's Inquests in Louth County.

Consider question of the Audit of the Council's Accounts.

And any other Business deemed urgent.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

CHARLES McALESTER.
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL

To each Member of the County Council.

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Louth County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Special meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk. on Subsequent to Scholarship Committee meeting held at 4.30 o'clock on Monday 20th September 1920

Present :- In the Chair. James R. Murphy. Esqr

Other members:- J. Byrne, M. Campbell, P. O'Daly, Patrick Hughes J. Kieran, J. H. McArdle. C. McDonough J. J. McGee, J. McGuill J. Stanley and P. Woods.

The first business was the consideration of the findings of the Scholarship Committee and same were approved and the following resolution unanimously passed

Proposed by:- Mathew Campbell Esqr

Seconded by:- J. J. McGee Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That we hereby confirm the recommendations of the Scholarship Committee made at their meeting held this day and award a new Scholarship of £60 per annum to Mr John Cunningham, Dundalk.

That we renew the existing Scholarships as follows:-.

2nd Year Miss M.C. Murphy

3rd Years Messrs Joseph Faul, and Thomas Gormley; the renewal of Mr Faul's Scholarship being conditional on his passing his September Examination

that we cannot accede to Mr Leo McGolrick's application for a fifth year's renewal.

Coroner's Inquests. After hearing letter from Chief Secretary's office Dublin Castle, and order therefrom prohibiting the holding of inquests by Coroners in Louth, and other counties and letter from Dail Eireann being read the following resolution was passed unanimously and the Secretary was directed to communicate with the Volunteer Police, and ask their cooperation in the matter.

Proposed by:- The Chairman

Seconded by:- Alderman Stanley

and.

Resolved:- That we hereby direct the Coroners of the County to continue to hold inquests as formerly, notwithstanding recent legislation of the British Government.

Audit :- The following resolution was passed
Mr John CKieran, (did not voteing on same

Proposed by The Chairman
Seconded by:- James McGuill Esqr.

and.

Resolved That we hereby refuse to submit the accounts of this Council for audit by the British Local Government Board. and we direct our officials accordingly.

It was also deadied to direct the Secretary and officials to hold no further communication frith the Local Government Board.

Sympathy:- The following resolution was passed in silence the members standing:-

Proposed by:- James McGuill, Esqr.
Seconded by:- J. Stanley Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That we the members of the Louth County Council tender to Mrs Culhane, Castletown, Mount, Dundalk, and also to the Volunteers our deepest sympsathy on the death of Patrick Culhane, Commandant of 1st Battalion Louth Brigade I.R.A.

Rates:- The Chairman stated he was informed that some ratepayers had refused to pay rates, and that others persisted in withholding payment until the end of each half year whereas the first moiety was due immediately the rate was struck and the second moiety on the 1st October in each year. He asked the Press to note these facts and to publish the Council's decision to take drastic action against defaulters.

Asylums:- on the suggestion of Mr McCampbell, the Council went into Committee to consider letter from Mr Michael Meade on Asylum matters. Mr Meade wrote that after reading the report of the meeting of Richmond Joint Board on Thursday, at which he unable to be present; he visited the Asylum on Saturday he learned that owing to the financial situation a drastic reduction of the number of harmless patients was under consideration. He suggested that a Committee of the Council should visit Richmond and Portrane Asylums, and interview the patients with a view to reporting to the Council as to their condition. He also submitted letter from the Chief Clerk asking him to investigate the circumstances of four Louth patients described as the farming class, whose relatives pleaded inability to contribute to their maintenance and he commented on the number of patients whose relatives could well afford to pay for them, but who

refused to do so.

after discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- Mr Campbell, Esqr.
Seconded by:- J. J. McGee, Esqr.

and.

Resolved:- That we hereby appoint the following Committee to visit Richmond and Portrane Asylums to interview the R.M.S. and the County Louth patients, the Committee to report to the County Council, Messrs Meade, Campbell, Peter Hughes, Coyne and Stanley.

The Secretary was directed to arrange accordingly and to convey the thanks of the Council to Mr Meade, for his interest in the matter

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The Secretary was directed to convene a meeting of the Asylum Committee for Monday 27th instant @ 5.30 o'clock. to receive the Committees report and discuss the situation generally

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Chairman

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Louth County Council

Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Special meeting held in the Council chamber Court House, Dundalk on Monday, 25th October 1920 at the hour of 4 O'clock pm.

Present:- In the Chair. James Humphy Esqr.
Other members:- P. J Butterly, N. Butterly, J Byrne, M. Campbell, J. Coburn, P.J. Daly, P. Deery, J.J. Donegan, B. Hamill, Patk J. Hughes, Peter Hughes, C.P. Kearney, John Kearney P. Kearney, J Kieran, M Kieran, M Meade, N. J. Murphy J Mc Ardle, J. J Mac Cahon, J. Mc Gee, P Mc Gee, J Mc Guinness, C Neary, J Stanley P. Woods. Esquires

The Chairman formally proposed the Adjournment of the meeting, owing to the death of the Lord Mayor of Cork. Alderman Stanley Seconded, and the Resolution was passed the members Standing

It was agreed that only the applications for the Rate Collectorships received up to the time mentioned in the advertisement, be considered at the Adjourned meeting which was fixed for One o'clock on Monday 1st November. Mr P. Mc Gee, dissenting from the change of hour.

The only business transacted was the payment of workmen's wages. Mr P Mc Gee, dissented from any business being transacted subsequent to the adjournment, but the Chairman ruled that the payments be made. The following members remained for the consideration of the Pay Sheets:-
Messrs:- P J. Butterly, N Butterly, P. J Daly, J J Donegan, Peter Hughes, Bernard Hamill, C.P. Kearney, J Kieran, M Kieran, M Meade N.J. Murphy, J. Mc Gee, Jno Mc Guinness, Joseph Stanley & P. Woods.

The a/cs as follows were then examined and ordered for payment:-

Works in Charge of Co. Surveyor	£1478.	8. 6.
Secretary's Office	59.	17. 2
£	1533 :	5. 8

Chairman

Louth County Council.

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,
28TH OCTOBER, 1920.

Sir,

I am directed by the Chairman to convene

A Special Meeting

OF THE COUNCIL, TO BE HELD IN THE

COUNCIL CHAMBER, COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,

On Monday, the 1st November, 1920,

At the hour of **ONE** o'clock p.m.,

For the purpose of considering the following Business.

AGENDA:

1. Appointment of Rate-Collector for No. 1 Collection District, consisting of the Electoral Divisions of Ardee Rural, Ardee Urban, Clonkeen, Mansfieldstown, and Tallanstown, in the Rural District of Ardee No. 1.
2. Consider proposal to alter the day for the holding of the Meetings of the Finance and other Committees from Monday to Thursday.
3. Appoint delegates to Central Purchasing Conference.
4. Any urgent matters that may be brought forward.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

CHARLES McALESTER.

SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council.

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Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Special meeting held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk on Monday, 8th November 1920 at the hour of One o'clock p.m.

Present:- For the Chair. James J. McGee Esqr.
Other Members:- P. J Butterly, N. Butterly, J Byrne, M. Campbell, J. Coburn, P. J Daly, P. Deery, J J. Donegan, B. Hamill, Patk Hughes, C.P. Kearney, J Kearney, J.P. Kearney, J Kieran, M. Kieran, M. Meade, P. Monahan, J.J Murphy, N.J. Murphy, J.M.c Ardle, Philip McArdle, C.J. McDonough, J. J. McGahon, J.J. McGee, P. McGee, J.M.c Guinness, C Neary, J Stanley & P. Woods. Esquires.

The Co Surveyor & Co. Solicitor were in attendance

The Circular convening the meeting was read by the Secretary

The appointment of Rate Collectors was first on the Agenda. The following applications of the, received in accordance with advertisement issued were read:-.

Eugene Hughes, Kericora Terrace, Dundalk.
John J Connell, Colpinstown Dara : John Ledwith, Millistown, Ardee
Peter McQuillan, 95 North Circular Rd. Dublin: Shaun N. Butterly Millistown, Dunleer
Ramon O'Brien, Mornington : James Reilly mulladrillan, Ardee

It was agreed that a direct vote be made taken as between the Candidates, the Candidate receiving the lowest number of votes, in each round dropping out.

The first vote taken resulted as follows:-.

For E Hughes :- Mr P. J. Daly. 1/

For Butterly :- Messrs/ N Butterly, Monahan, J.M.c Ardle, P. McArdle, McDonough & Stanley. 6/

For Ledwith :- Messrs/ Byrne, Coburn, Deery, Hamill, Hughes, John Kearney, J.P. Kearney, McGahon & McGuinness. 9/

For Reilly :- Messrs/ Campbell, Donegan, C.P. Kearney, J Keeran, M Kieran, Meade, J.J Murphy, N.J Murphy, P. McGee, Neary & Woods. 11/

Mr P. Butterly did not vote

Mr Hughes only received one vote, Messrs Connell, McQuillan & O'Brien received no votes, they dropped out and a division between the remaining candidates resulted as follows:-

For Butterly :- Messrs/ P. Butterly, N Butterly, Monahan, J.M.c Ardle, P. McArdle, McDonough and Stanley. 7.

For Ledwith :- Messrs/ Byrne, Coburn, Deery, Hamill, Hughes, John Kearney, J.P. Kearney, McGahon. 9.

For Reilly :- Messrs/ Campbell, Donegan, C.P. Kearney, J Kieran, M Kieran, Meade, J.J Murphy, N.J Murphy, P. McGee, Neary & Woods. Mr Daly did not vote. 11/

Mr Butterly having received the least number of votes in this round, dropped out, a vote as between the two remaining candidates resulted as follows.

For Ledwith :- Messrs/ J Byrne, J Coburn, P. Deery, B Hamill, Patk Hughes, John Kearney, J.P. Kearney, P Monahan, J. McGahon, John McGuinness. 10.

For Reilly :- Messrs/ P.J Butterly, Campbell, Daly, Donegan, C.P. Kearney, J Kieran, M Kieran, Meade, J.J Murphy, N.J Murphy, J.M.c Ardle, P. McArdle, McDonough, P. McGee, Neary & Woods. 16.

Messrs/ N Butterly & J Stanley did not vote.

Mr Reilly having received a majority of the votes was declared elected, and the following formal resolution was passed.

Proposed by:- J Kieran, Esqr.
Seconded by:- M Campbell Esqr.

and

Resolved:- That we hereby appoint Mr James Reilly of Mulladrillan, Ardee as Poor Rate Collector for District No 1 Consisting of the District Electoral, District of Ardee No 1 at the Salary of £250 per annum, payable quarterly, conditional on 25% of the Year's warrant, being lodged on or before the last day of each quarter of the financial year, and in accordance with the rules & regulations of the Council.

£250 cues

Before the passing of the Resolution, a discussion took place as to the lodgment of 25% of the Year's warrant, by the Collector but when it was stated by the Secretary that the intention was that if the Rate Collector desired payment of his poundage quarterly, he could have it, if he lodged the appropriate portion of the Year's warrant by the end of each quarter, and that the procedure with regard to the payment of the other Collectors would apply in his case, otherwise, the resolution was passed.

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Day of Committee meetings :- as no motion was put in regarding the Second Item of the agenda, namely the consideration of the question of changing Committee meetings from Mondays to Thursdays the matter dropped.

Delegates to Central Purchasing Conference :- The appointment of delegates to this Conference was next on the agenda. Mr N. J. murphy proposed and Mr Michael Meade Seconded that no delegates be appointed Mr P. Butterly Proposed and Mr Gh. McDonough. Seconded. that delegates be appointed. The Chairman ruled that Mr murphy's proposal was an amendment, and took a division on it accordingly when there voted.

For the Amendment :- Messrs/ P. Deery, Donegan, Meade. N. J. murphy, McGahon, & P. McGee. 6.

Against the Amendment :- Messrs/ P J Butterly N. Butterly, Byrne, Daly, Hamill, Hughes, C.P. Kearney. John Kearney. J.P. Kearney, J. C. Kieran M Kieran, Monahan, H McArdle., Philip McArdle, McDonough. J McGee, McGuinness, Neary, Stanley & Woods. 20

Messrs/ Campbell & Coburn, did not vote and Mr J J murphy was also absent during the division

The Amendment was declared lost, and after discussion the members named in the following resolution which was passed, were appointed :-

Proposed by :- P. J. Butterly Esq^{r}.
Seconded by :- Gh^{r} Donough Esq^{r}.
and.

Resolved :- That we hereby appoint the following members as our delegates to the proposed Central Purchasing Conference, Messrs :- J. Humphreys, Peter Hughes, John C Kieran and N. J. murphy.

Chairman

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.
COURT HOUSE, DUNDALK,
5TH NOVEMBER, 1920.

The Third Quarterly Meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Court House, Dundalk, on **THURSDAY,** the 11th day of **NOVEMBER, 1920,** at the hour of **4-30** o'clock p.m., for the transaction of the following Business, which Meeting you are hereby requested to attend.

AGENDA:

1. Confirmation of the General Minutes of the Council.
2. Confirmation of the Finance Committee Minutes.
3. Confirmation of the Proposal Committee Minutes.
4. Confirmation of the Executive Committee Minutes.
5. Confirmation of the Fane and Wottonstown Drainage Districts Committees Minutes.
6. Consideration of Proposals for Payments formulated by the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
7. Fix dates for the holding of the Fourth Quarterly Meetings of the Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee.
8. Consider Report of Asylum Special Committee.
9. Consider Report of Standing Orders Committee.
10. Consider Report of Education Act Committee.
11. Appointment of Drogheda Rural District School Attendance Committee.
12. Consider resignation of Secretary and Attendance Officer of Dundalk Rural District School Attendance Committee.
13. Consider question of appointing Conciliation Board.
14. Consider proposal to establish a Central Purchasing Committee.
15. Correspondence.

CHARLES McALESTER,
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL.

To each Member of the County Council.

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Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council at their Third Quarterly meeting, held in the Council Chamber Court House, Dundalk, on Thursday 11th November 1920 at the hour of 11·30 o'clock pm.

Present:- In the Chair:- Alderman James E. Murphy.
Other Members:- P. J. Bunterly, M. Campbell, J. Coburn, P. J. Daly P. Deery, B. Hamill, Peter Hughes, J. Kieran, M. Kieran, J. Mc Ardle, J. J. McGahon, J. J. McGee, J. Stanley, P. Woods. Esquires

The County Surveyor & Co. Solicitor were in attendance

Confirmation of General minutes. Before the passing of the resolution, Mr J. J. McGahon, referred to the fact that in the printed minutes of Meeting held on 20th September at which resolution refusing audit, by the Local Government Board, was passed unanimously, his name was given in attendance he stated that he was not present when this resolution was passed, or he would have dissented and he now did so with regard to that particular minute

The following resolution was then passed unanimously (with the exception of Mr Mc Gahon's objection):-

Proposed by:- Peter Hughes Esq.
Seconded by:- James J. Mc Gee Esq.

and.

Resolved:- That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Louth County Council, at their Second (Adjourned) Quarterly meeting held on 19th August 1920, and their Special Meetings held on:-

24th August, 1920
20th September, 1920.
25th October, 1920.
1st November 1920.

a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed

Finance Committee minutes:- Mr Peter Hughes, referred to the minutes of Meeting held on 11th October 1920 at which a recommendation was made, that a renewal of his Scholarship for a fourth year be not granted to Mr Eugene Mc Entegart, who had applied for same. Mr Hughes moved and Mr P. Deery, seconded that the renewal be granted

The Chairman ruled that the ~~Scheme~~ must first be altered and accordingly the following resolution was.

Proposed by:- B. Hamill Esq.
Seconded by:- P. J. Daly Esq.

"That the County Scholarship Scheme, be amended to Enable the Council to award a renewal for a fourth Year to a Scholarship holder following a course in Medicine."

The following amendment was:-

Proposed by:- J. Kieran Esq.
Seconded by:- J. J. Mc Gee Esq.

"That the terms of the Scholarship Scheme, be not amended as proposed.

On a division there voted:-

For the Amendment:- Messrs Bunterly, J. Kieran, M. Kieran, Murphy, Mc Gee and Stanley 6

Against the Amendment:- Messrs Campbell, Daly, Deery, Hamill, Hughes, McArdle, Mc Gahon, McGuill, and Woods. 9

The Amendment was declared lost and Similar voting being accepted on the resolution it was put and declared carried 9 votes to 6

The following resolution was then.

Proposed by:- P. J. Daly Esq.
Seconded by:- J. Mc Guill Esq.

That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Finance Committee at their Meetings held on the undermentioned dates a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, with all payments and recommendations contained therein, save and except the recommendation made at their meeting held on the 11th October refusing renewal of Mr Eugene Mc Entegart's Scholarship for a fourth Year, be and are hereby confirmed, and that we hereby renew Mr Mc Entegart's Scholarship for a fourth Year, 30th August, 13th September, 27th September 11th October, 1st November, and 8th November 1920.

The following amendment was:-

Proposed by J. J. Mc Gee.
Seconded by J. Kieran

Carried.

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"That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Finance Committee at their meetings held on the undermentioned dates a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council, with all payments and recommendations contained therein, be and are hereby confirmed :-.

Monday 30th ult August 1920
Monday 13th ult September 1920.
Monday 27th ult September 1920.
Monday 11th ult October 1920
Monday 1st November 1920
Monday 8th ult November 1920

On a division there voted :-

For the amendment :- Messrs/ Butterly, JC Kieran, M Kieran, Murphy, McArdle, McGee, Stanley.

7.

Against the Amendment :- Messrs/ Campbell, Coburn, Daly, Deery, Hamill, Hughes, McGahon, McGuill, and Woods

9.

The Amendment was declared lost and Similar voting being accepted on the resolution it was declared Carried.

Proposal Committee Minutes : The following resolution was passed Mr J.J. McGahon, dissenting

Proposed by :- Alderman Murphy.
Seconded by :- Peter Woods Esqr and

Resolved :- That the Minutes of the Proposal Committee, at their Third Quarterly Meeting held on 1st November 1920, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed, save and except recommendations to pay two items of 16/- & 15/4, for Police expenses for Weights, Measures, Food & Drugs Acts were which are refused

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The following resolution was passed unanimously :-.

Proposed by :- Peter Hughes Esqr.
Seconded by :- P.J. Daly Esqr and

Resolved :- That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Committee at their Meetings held on 30th ult August, 1920, and 1st November 1920 a copy of each having been sent to each Member of Council be are hereby confirmed.

Confirmation of Dane, Wotton town Drainage Committee Minutes

The following resolution was passed unanimously :-.

Proposed by :- J Mulvihill, Esqr
Seconded by :- M Kieran Esqr. and

Resolved :- That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Dane & Wotton town Drainage District Committees, at their meetings held on 23rd ult August 1920. and 11th ult October, 1920., a copy of each having been sent to each member of the Council be and are hereby confirmed

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Ardee Payments :

The following resolution was passed unanimously :-.

Proposed by :- JC Kieran Esqr.
Seconded by :- M. Campbell Esqr.

and.

Resolved :- That the Proposal for Payments formulated by the Ardee No1 Rural District Council at their Third Quarterly meeting held on 30th ult October 1920, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council be and are hereby approved of These payments amount to the Sum of £1029: 13: 6

Drogheda Payments :- The following resolution was passed unanimously :-

Proposed by :- P.J Butterly Esqr.
Seconded by :- M Kieran Esqr

and.

Resolved :- That the proposal for payments formulated by the South Rural District Council of Drogheda Union, at their Third Quarterly meeting held on 16th ult October 1920, at set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

These payments amount to the Sum of :-
£562 8. 9.

Dundalk Payments :- The following resolution was passed unanimously :-

Proposed by :- Peter Hughes Esqr
Seconded by :- B. Hamill Esqr.

and.

Resolved :- That the proposal for payments formulated by the Dundalk Rural District Council, at their Third Quarterly Meeting held on 4th ult October 1920, & set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be are hereby approved of

These payments amount to the Sum of £
£1324. 2. 8.

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County-at-Large Payments:- The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by P. J Daly Esqr.
Seconded by:- J McGuile.

and

Resolved:- That the Proposal for Payments formulated by the Proposal Committee at their Third Quarterly Meeting held on 1st November 1920, and set out on Form 22 furnished to the County Council, be and are hereby approved of.

These payments amount to the sum of:-

£8929: 15: 1.

Demands:- The following resolution was passed unanimously,

Proposed by:- J.C. Kieran Esqr.
Seconded by:- P.J Buttery Esqr.

and

Resolved:- That we hereby direct our Secretary to pay to the Clerks of the Unions and the Clerks of the Rural District Councils the Quarterly Instalments of the demands, with the exception of any loans payments in same.

Dates of Quarterly Meetings:- The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- J Kieran Esqr.
Seconded by:- P.J Daly Esqr

and

Resolved:- That the County Council Hereby determine that the following shall be the dates for the holding of the Fourth Quarterly meetings of the Rural District Councils.

Ardee No 1	8th January 1921.
Drogheda	15th January 1921
Dundalk	10th January 1921

And the Proposal Committee shall meet on Monday, 31st January 1921.

Confirmation of Asylum Committee Minutes:- The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- M. Campbell Esqr
Seconded by:- M Kieran Esqr.

and

Resolved:- That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Asylum Committee at their meeting held on 8th November, 1920, a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council, be and are hereby confirmed.

Standing Orders:- After discussion, the following resolution was

Proposed by:- M. Campbell Esqr.
Seconded by:- B. Hamill Esqr.

That the report of the Standing Orders Committee as embodied in the Printed Minutes at Page 27, and setting out Amendments and Alterations recommended be and is hereby approved of, save & except that the hour of meetings of the County Council, be at 2 o'clock. instead of 4.30 as recommended, and we direct our Secretary to have the Standing Orders as revised printed & a copy furnished to each member of the Council.

The following amendment was:-

Proposed by:- J. Coburn Esqr
Seconded by:- T. J. Mc Cahon Esqr.

That the recommendations of the Standing Order Committee be adopted save and except that the hour of meetings of the Council be 2 o'clock. instead of 4.30 as suggested and that Suggested Standing Order No 79 (prohibiting canvassing be struck out.

On a division there voted:-

for the Amendment:- Messrs Campbell, Coburn, Deery, Mc Cahon & Woods. 5

Against the Amendment:- Messrs/ Buttery, Daly, Hamill, Hughes, Michael Kieran, Murphy, Mc Gee and Mc Guill. 8

Messrs J. Kieran and Mc Hardie did not vote, & Mr Stanley was absent during the division.

The Amendment was declared lost, and similar voting being accepted on the Resolution, it was declared Carried.

It was unanimously agreed that, in order that the merits and qualifications of the various Candidates for any position might be known to the Councillors, the Secretary be directed to furnish copies of the applications to each member of the Council, before the meeting at which any such appointment is to be made.

Education Act Committee:- The following Resolution was

Proposed by:- James J. McGee, Esqr.,
seconded by:- P. Woods Esqr.

That the minutes of the Proceedings of the Education Act Committee, at their meeting held on the 27th September 1920. a copy of which has been sent to each member of the Council be and are hereby confirmed

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as an amendment, it was

Proposed by:- J. J. McGahon, Esq.
Seconded by:- J. Coburn, Esq.

"That the minutes of the Education Act Committee be confirmed save the recommendation that Dail Eireann, be asked for a direction

On a division there voted:-

For the Amendment:- Messrs Coburn, Deery and McGahon 3

Against – Messrs, Butterly, Campbell, Daly, Hamill, Hughes, J. Kieran, M. Kieran, Murphy, McArdle, McGee, McGrill & Woods 12.

The Amendment was declared lost and similar voting being accepted on the resolution, it was declared Carried.

School Attendance Committee:- The following Resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- James J. McGee Esq.
Seconded by:- Peter Hughes Esq.
and

Resolved:- That we hereby appoint the following gentlemen to represent the Council on the Drogheda Rural District Attendance Committee:- Messrs/ Michael Kieran, Peter J Butterly, G. McDonough, N. Butterly and A Collier.

S.A.O. Dundalk R.D.:- The question of appointing a successor to Mr D O'Meara, Dundalk Rural District School Attendance Officer and Secretary whose resignation of these positions was accepted, was referred to the Finance Committee, as was also a recommendation of the Attendance that a Bonus be granted to Mr O'Meara.

Conciliation Board:- The question of appointing Conciliation Board was adjourned.

Central Purchasing Committee:- The following resolution was

Proposed by:- James J. McGee Esq.
Seconded by:- James McGrill, Esq.

That we hereby re-appoint the Chairman of the Council Alderman James E Murphy, and Messrs JC. Kieran, Peter Hughes & R. J. Murphy to represent the Council at the Conference of the

Public Bodies of Louth County, and that we empower them, should the Conference so decide to authorising the Executive Committee of the General Council of County Councils to act as Central Purchasing Committee for the Louth County Council.

A vote on the resolution resulted as follows:-

For:- Messrs Campbell, Daly, Hamill, Hughes, J.C. Kieran, M. Kieran, Murphy, McGee, McGrill, and Woods. 10.

Against:- Messrs. Deery, McGahon. 2

Mr. J. Coburn did not vote.

Thanks:- Mr Patrick Deery MCC, wrote as follows:-

Dear Mr McArdle,

Please convey to my colleagues on the Council my sincere thanks for their kind resolution of sympathy to me in my recent bereavement on the death of my sister.

Yours faithfully,
Patrick Deery.

American Shipping to Irish Ports:- Resolution submitted from the Cork Industrial Association condemning the action of the British Government in their prohibition against American passenger vessels entering Cork Harbour on the east bound passage and asking the United States Administration to insist upon freedom for its vessels to enter Irish ports, was passed unanimously.

Film Censors:- Resolution submitted from Cork Corporation asking the Government of the Irish Republic to establish a Censorship, was passed Mr McGahon, dissenting on the grounds that he objected to a political Censorship

Religious & Political Tests:- On similar grounds Mr McGahon dissented from the adoption of resolution (which was passed) regarding cessation of trade with Belfast. The resolution was submitted by the General Council of County Councils.

National Health & Unemployment Insurance Acts:- Arising out of a letter from Navan U.D.C., suggesting joint action by public bodies in the matter of stamping Cards under these Acts, the Secretary & Surveyor were directed to have the Workmen's Cards stamped until instructions were to hand.

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Kevin Barry- The following resolution was passed in silence the members standing:-

Proposed by:- Alderman Murphy,
Seconded by:- James T. McKee Esq.

and

Resolved:- That this meeting of the Louth County Council places upon its record its deep appreciation of the heroic sacrifice of the late Kevin Barry and tenders its sincere sympathy to his relatives.

The Council then went into Committee

Poundage Fees:- The Secretary asked for a direction as to payment of poundage fees forthwith on the portion of their warrants lodged on or before the 30th September, and that the question of the payment of poundage fees on the amounts collected subsequently be deferred until 31st. December, 1920.

Collector Johnston's District:- The following resolution was passed unanimously:-

Proposed by:- J. McGrath Esq.
Seconded by:- P. Woods Esq.

and.

Resolved:- That during Mr J. V. Johnston's suspension his collection continue to be carried out by Mr Henry Johnston and the Secretary be directed to have Fidelity Guarantee Bond prepared for the latter.

Messrs Deery and J. McArdle were appointed a sub-Committee to consider and report on the question of payments of poundage fees on Mr Johnston's Collections

Arrears Lists:- It was decided that the Rate Collectors' Lists of Irrecoverable Arrears be examined on Monday 22nd November at One o'clock, all the members of the Council to be requested to attend the scrutiny of the lists.

Chairman.

This Minute Book, the property of the Louth County Council, was forcibly seized and taken from the Council's Offices by armed forces of the British Government in November 1920, and was subsequently recovered from them in April 1922.

The Minutes of the Council's meetings from November 1920, are recorded in Minute Book No 6, up to the meeting of the 26th February 1923.

Cearal Mac Slaodaith

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