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Dublin.

1907.
March 11th

Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at 12-30 oclock afternoon on Monday the 11th day of March 1907; to—(a) consider an application from Mr. L. Donegan for a Retiring Allowance, and to take such action in connection therewith as may be deemed desirable; (b) take into consideration the unsatisfactory manner in which the Borough Surveyor has been discharging his duties, and to take such steps in relation thereto as may be considered expedient.

Present:

Aldermen:—J. Downey, P.P. Kelley, B. Collins, L.J. Elcock, and J.J. Curran.

Councillors:—J. Dolan, L. Moore, P. Gorman, P. Lyons, C. Lynch, D. Branigan, B. Matthews, P.J. Fulham, W. Hughes, P. Drew, W.J. Heffington (Mayor) S. Jordan, M.J. Kelly

In the Chair—His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Retiring Allowance to Mr. L. Donegan ✓

Mr. Donegan's application was again read as also the Medical certificate.

After considerable discussion it was unanimously Resolved, on the motion of Alderman Kelley seconded by Alderman Collins, to grant to the Secretary of the Gas Works Department, Mr. Laurence Donegan,—as from the 31st March next,—a Retiring Allowance of £25 per annum, to be chargable to the Gas Works Department, in consequence of Mr. Donegan being compelled to resign through failing eyesight.

Owing to the smallness of the Salary (£20) of Mr. Donegan as Secretary of the Water Works Department it was considered desirable not to award any Retiring Allowance in respect of this position held by him.

Councillor Kelly proposed, which was seconded by

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March 11th

W.J. McCann Borough Surveyor called on to resign ✓

Councillor Fulham and passed unanimously—"That the Borough Surveyor, Mr. W.J. McCann, be and is hereby called upon to resign his position as Borough Surveyor ~~What~~ on or before the meeting of the Council to be held on the 20th March, instant, in consequence of the unsatisfactory manner in which he has been discharging his duties."

W. J. Heffington Chairman

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March 20th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 20th day of March 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:—J. Downey, P.S. Kelly, B. Collins, L.J. Elcock, G. Daly and J.J. Curran.

Councillors:—J. Dolan, L. Moore, P. Gorman, P. Lyons, J.J. Callan, L. Branigan, P. Lynch, B. Matthews, P.J. Fulham, J. Callan, W. Hughes, P. Drew, W.J. Keffington (Mayor) S. Jordan, J.J. Kelly, and L.J. Carpenter.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

The Minutes of meetings held on the 22nd Feby. and 6th, 8th and 11th March were read and confirmed.

The wages for the week, amounting to £48..13..2 were approved

L.J. Branigan's premises Shop Street Borough Surveyor to report on plans.

Report read from Borough Surveyor regarding the plan of the buildings proposed to be erected in Shop Street by Mr. L.J. Branigan.

Ordered that he do report definitely whether he approves the plan or otherwise.

Contractor for Carts repairs. Unable to carry out contract

Further Report from the Borough Surveyor read, intimating that the contractor for repairs to the carts was unable, through illness, to carry out his contract.

Ordered that he do get the work done elsewhere, if necessary, at the contractor's expense.

Report read from the Council in Committee as follows:—

Gentlemen,

We

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Manager and Secretary of the Gas Works. H.W. Saville elected.

We held a Special Meeting of the Council in Committee today, at which 21 members attended, to select a person for the office of Manager and Secretary of the Gas Works Department.

Two Candidates were proposed—viz: Frank Browne, manager of Truam Gas Works, and H.W. Saville, Manager and Secretary of Kilpenham Gas Works. On a Division there voted for—

Browne	Saville
Aldermen:—Curran, Collins, Elcock, Daly.	Aldermen:—Kelly, Downey.
Councillors:—Hughes, Kelly, J. Callan, Dolan, J.J. Callan, Fulham, Carpenter (11)	Councillors:—Jordan, Drew, Lynch, Moore, Gorman, Matthews, Lyons, the Mayor (10)

Mr. Browne having secured the greater number of votes it now becomes necessary that the selection of the majority of the Committee should be ratified by the Council.

Dated 19th March 1907. W.J. Keffington, Chairman

Alderman Curran moved, and Alderman Daly seconded—that the Report be adopted.

Councillor Jordan proposed as an amendment, which was seconded by Councillor Moore,—that the report be not adopted, but that Mr. Saville be elected and not Mr. Browne.

There voted for the amendment—Aldermen:—Kelly, Downey, Councillors:—Matthews, Jordan, Drew, Lynch, Moore, Gorman, Branigan, Lyons and the mayor (11).

There voted against the amendment—Aldermen:—Collins, Curran, Elcock and Daly. Councillors:—Hughes, Kelly, J. Callan, Dolan, Fulham, J.J. Callan (10); Councillor Carpenter declined to vote, the Amendment was accordingly declared carried.

The Motion was then put and declared lost, the same members voting for it as voted against the amendment and vice versa.

County Council Demand.

Communication read from the Secretary of the County Council of Louth enclosing Demand for the ensuing financial year.

Ordered

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Ordered that the matter be referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Patrick Fulham's House Hand Street. Repairs to.

Letter read from Patrick Fulham, Hand Street, drawing attention to the fact that the repairs to his house had not yet been carried out.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to attend to the matter.

John Owens' premises Wellington Quay. Steps to be erected on pathway. ✓

On the application of Mr. J. H. Fallan, Architect, the Council consented to the erection of steps on the pathway along Wellington Quay opposite premises of John Owens to the extent and nature thereof as shewn on plan submitted and as stated in the application.

Peter Downey valuation of site in Windmill Lane. ✓

Communication from the Local Government Board read, requiring a valuation of the site in Windmill Lane proposed to be leased to Mr. Peter Downey.

Ordered that the Borough Surveyor do supply such valuation.

Joseph McCarthy Copy of reply of L.G.B. to

A further communication from the Board was read enclosing copy of a reply sent by them to a letter from Joseph McCarthy, upon which no order was made.

Irish Railways Resolutions in relation to

A series of Resolutions passed by the County Borough Council of Limerick upon the subject of Irish Railways were read and adopted.

Irish International Exhibition. Mace to be exhibited. ✓

Application read from the Chief Executive Officer, Irish International Exhibition, for a loan of the Mace for exhibition in the Historical Section of the Exhibition.

It was decided to accede to the request provided an assurance be given that adequate precautions would be taken to ensure its safety and that it would be insured for £10,000.

The following letter was read:—

97 Georges Street,
Drogheda.

1907.
March 20th

W. J. McCann — Resignation as Borough Surveyor. ✓

Drogheda, 18th March 1907

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter conveying to me notice of the resolution passed by the Council calling upon me for my resignation of the post of Borough Surveyor.

I desire to place myself entirely in the hands of the Council, and I would ask them to re-consider their decision. In the event of their doing so I undertake to use my best endeavour to give satisfaction and by close attention to the duties of my office to leave no ground of complaint in future.

Yours obediently,
W. J. McCann.

To
J. B. Connolly Esq
Town Clerk.

On the motion of Councillor Dolan, seconded by Alderman Curran, it was agreed to defer the consideration of the matter.

Qualifications of Gas Works Manager.

Councillor Dolan withdrew his Notice of Motion regarding the qualifications of Gas Manager and Secretary of the Gas Works Department.

W. J. Skeffington — Chairman.

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1907. April 3rd

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 3rd day of April 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, L. J. Elcock, B. Collins, G. Daly & J. J. Curran.
Councillors:- J. Dolan, P. Gorman, P. Lyons, J. J. Callan, B. Matthews, P. J. Fulham, W. Hughes, W. T. Skeffington (Mayor), S. Jordan and J. S. Kelly.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes.

The Minutes of meeting held on 20th March were read and confirmed.

Wages.

The Wages for the week, amounting to £50.19.6, were approved.

Payments

A Treasurer's Authority for Making Payments on the Borough Fund to the amount of £498.7.0, and another on the Public Library Account, amounting to £6.19.10, were passed.

Requirements of Borough Surveyor

A list of Requirements by the Borough Surveyor amounting to £23.5.0 was approved.

Return of Receipts for month

The Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st March, amounting to £2,688.15.6 was submitted and approved.

Valuation of Peter Downey's plot Windmill Lane. ✓

Report read from Borough Surveyor placing a value of £70.11.7 on the plot in Windmill Lane proposed to be Cased to Mr. Peter Downey.

Ordered that the valuation be forwarded to the Local Government Board.

Letter

1907. April 3rd Peter Casey Decree against

Letter read from the Solicitor to the Corporation intimating that he had obtained a Decree for £7.8.8 against Peter Casey for rent due out of premises at Chrushrod Lane but that the defendant had lodged an appeal.

No order made.

Mayoralty House Repairs to. ✓

Application read from Societies using the Mayoralty House to have the "Ball Room" re-floored.

Ordered that the Borough Surveyor do prepare an Estimate of the probable cost of putting the entire premises into repair.

Batchelor & Hicks application for Fees

Letter read from Batchelor & Hicks, architects, applying for payment of their fees in the action - Crilly v Corporation.

Ordered that the matter be referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

W. T. Skeffington

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1907.
April 3rd

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12-30 o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday the 3rd day of April 1907; to deal with such Report as may be submitted by the Borough Surveyor in pursuance of the Urban (Transferred Business Procedure) Order 1906.

Present:

Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley, B. Collins, L.J. Elcock, L. Daly and J.J. Curran.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, P. Gorman, P. Lyons, J.J. Callan, B. Matthews, P.J. Tulham, W. Hughes, W.T. Sheffington (Mayor) and J.A. Kelly.

In the Chair- His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Borough Surveyor's Estimate for current year. ✓

The Borough Surveyor submitted a Report upon the condition of the roads during the past quarter, and an Estimate of the cost of maintaining all the works under his control during the current financial year, which were not considered satisfactory and the meeting was adjourned for a week to enable him to bring in a further report and estimate.

W.T. Sheffington Chairman

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April 10th

Minutes of an adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12-30 o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday the 10th day of April 1907; to transact such business as may be requisite arising out of the Annual Report of the Borough Surveyor under the Urban (Transferred Business Procedure) Order 1906.

Present:

Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley, B. Collins, L.J. Elcock, and J.J. Curran.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, P. Gorman, P. Lyons, J.J. Callan, P. Lynch, B. Matthews, W. Hughes, P. Drew and W.T. Sheffington (Mayor)

In the Chair- His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Borough Surveyor's Estimate. ✓

The Borough Surveyor submitted a further Report and Estimate which were considered unsatisfactory and it was decided to again adjourn the meeting for another week that the Borough Surveyor might prepare a third report and estimate.

W.T. Sheffington Chairman

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 17th day of April 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:- P.R. Keeley, J. Downey and S. Daly.
Councillors:- J. Dolan, P. Gorman, P. Lyons, J.J. Callan, D. Branigan, P. Lynch, B. Matthews, T. Callan, W. Hughes, P. Drew, W.J. Steffington (Mayor) J. Jordan and J.O. Kelly.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of meeting held on 3rd april were read and confirmed.

Wages

The Wages for the week amounting to £40.15.8 were examined and approved.

Houses Hand Street repairs.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to have the houses of Mary Mooney and John Byrne Hand Street put into repair immediately.

Anne Lynch accepted as tenant premises Dyer Street. ✓

The Council agreed to accept Miss Anne Lynch as tenant of the licensed premises in Dyer Street at present held by Caseys Brewery Co. Ltd. from them.

Footpath to be concreted

The Council unanimously acceded to the request of Mr. John Dolan Sunday Gate to have the footpath in front of his premises concreted.

Mace.
Insurance of at Irish International Exhibition ✓

A communication was read from the Historical Section, Irish International Exhibition, intimating that the Mace could not be insured for more than £2,000, while at the Exhibition.

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It was decided in consequence to reduce the amount fixed for insurance to that figure.

Mullingar, Kells and Drogheda Ry. Co. asked to consent to another railway running over line along quays. ✓

Arising out of a communication from the Drogheda Development Association it was proposed by Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor J.J. Callan and Resolved:- That the Town Clerk be directed to ask the Mullingar, Kells and Drogheda Railway Co. to have a clause inserted in their proposed Bill of 1907 consenting to another Company, - if such be formed - running another railway over the quays from St. Marys Bridge to the eastern terminus of the proposed Mullingar line."

Lawrence Donegan Retiring allowance confirmed. ✓

On the motion of alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor Lyons it was unanimously Resolved:- That the Resolution of the Council of the 11th March 1907, granting to the Secretary of the Gas Works Department - Mr. Lawrence Donegan - a retiring allowance of £25 per annum, be and is hereby confirmed."

Disqualification of Members. Town Clerk to report thereon. ✓

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Jordan moved:- "That the Town Clerk be directed to report from time to time in all cases where he considers members of the Council have become disqualified."

Councillor Moore seconded the motion which was declared carried, Councillors Hughes and Kelly dissenting.

W.J. Steffington Chairman.

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Present:

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, J. Downey, and T. Daly.

Councillors:- P. Gorman, P. Lyons, J. J. Callan, D. Branigan, P. Lynch, B. Matthews, T. Callan, W. Hughes, P. Drew, W. J. Skeffington (Mayor) S. Jordan, and J. J. Kelly.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Borough Surveyor's Estimate of cost of "Transferred" Works. ✓

The Borough Surveyor submitted an Estimate for the maintenance during the coming year of the public works transferred from the Grand Jury ~~during the current year~~ amounting to £292. 3. 9, and the same was approved on the motion of Councillor Gorman, seconded by Councillor Mathews.

W. J. Skeffington Chairman.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 1st day of May 1907.

Present.

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P. P. Keeley, B. Collins, L. J. Elcock and J. J. Curran.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, P. Gorman, P. Lyons, J. J. Callan, D. Branigan, P. Lynch, B. Matthews, P. J. Tuohy, T. Callan, W. Hughes, P. Drew, W. J. Skeffington (Mayor) and J. J. Kelly.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of meetings held on the 3rd, 10th & 17th April were read and confirmed.

Wages

The Wages for the week amounting to £43. 6. 11 were approved.

Payments

A Treasurer's Authority for Making Payments amounting to £116. 13. 10 was signed, also an Authority for the Public Library Account to the amount of £11. 4. 5.

Requirement Book signed.

The Borough Surveyor's Requirement Book was signed for requirements to the amount of £4. 1. 6.

Statement of Receipts for month

The Borough Treasurer's statement of Receipts for the month ending 30th April 1907, amounting to £427. 13. 6, was read and approved.

Land Purchase Consideration of Report deferred. ✓

It was decided to defer the consideration of the Report of the Land Purchase Committee to a Special meeting of the Council to be held on the 8th May 1907, at 12-30 o'clock.

Report read from Streets and Supplies Committee as follows:-

Gentlemen

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Tenders for various supplies

Gentlemen,

We have examined the various tenders received for the Annual Contracts and we recommend you to accept the following, they being the cheapest for the respective class of work tendered for, save where otherwise stated:

Carpentry Work— ..... Herbert Kerly West Street.
Harness,— ..... John Callan, Do.
Ironmongery, Oils, Glass, Sewer Pipes, &c— Peter Murphy Do.
Printing and Advertising— A. McDougall & Co. Peter Street.
Timber— T. H. Martin, North Wall Dublin & H. Kerly West St. (Sashes).
Repairs to Carts— William Clark, Mell
Cement, Barrows— A. Murdock Sons Ltd. Drogheda.
Lime— Rennicks and Nixon Sheephouse.
Gravel and Sand— Peter Carroll North Road.
Disinfectants— Luke J. Healy West Street.
Castings— Drogheda Ironworks Co.
Horse Shoeing— John Owens Stockwell Lane.
Bricks— Henry R. Osborne, Dardistown Castle.
Bill Posting— Drogheda Advertising Co.

The lowest tender received for repairs to carts, at £9.15.0, was from a person residing a couple of miles outside the town and, having regard to the extra cost that would be entailed in sending the carts there and getting them back again we considered it would be cheaper to accept the next lowest tender which was at £26—

With regard to Advertising, the three printing offices tendered at the same price and in previous years the advertisements were placed with each office to effect a saving under this head we recommend that the advertising be given only to the office that has the printing— viz— that of A. McDougall & Co.

In respect of the last seven items only one tender was received in each case.

Dated 29th April 1907. W. J. Keffington Chairman

It was decided not to accept the tender for Cement pending enquiries by the Borough Surveyor about Irish Cement, and to give the advertisements to the three offices as formerly and with these amendments the report was adopted.

Mr.

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Hoarding

B. McDonnell given permission to erect.

Mr. Bernard McDonnell, Bull Ring, applied for and was granted permission to erect a hoarding in Shop Street in front of Mr. Thomas Brady's premises during the rebuilding of the premises.

Valuations of Peter Downey's premises Windmill Lane and Miss McArdle's premises Shop Street by Borough Surveyor. ✓

Letter read from the Local Government Board requesting to be furnished with a certificate of valuation of the building site in Windmill Lane proposed to be leased to Mr. Peter Downey and the plot in Shop Street proposed to be leased to Miss McArdle, made by a professional — valuer instead of the Borough Surveyor.

The Town Clerk was directed to point out that the Borough Surveyor is professionally qualified to make such qualifications valuations.

Old Jail Premises. Letting to Corporation. ✓

The Town Clerk reported that the proposed Agreement between the County Council and the Corporation for the letting to the latter of the Old Jail premises, as prepared by the Solicitor for the former, contained clauses to keep the premises in repair and if necessary to make structural alterations.

He was directed to inform the Solicitor to the County Council that the Corporation desired the letting to be in the nature of an ordinary weekly tenancy.

"Future Tenants" Resolution in favour of. ✓

A Resolution of the Edenderry Rural District Council advocating the right of "Future" Tenants to have "Fair Rents" fixed, and also a Resolution of the County Council of Waterford in favour of County High Sheriffs being nominated by County Councils, were read and adopted.

W. J. Keffington Chairman

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Special Meeting
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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12-30 o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday the 8th day of May 1907; to: 1— Execute, if approved, an Agreement with the Great Northern Railway Co. in connection with the laying of a Water Main from Killineer to the Company's Station. 2— Consider Report of the Law and Finance Committee and pass such resolutions as may be necessary in and about the striking of Rates for the current financial year. 3— Consider Report of the Land Purchase Committee as to the sale of the Estate agricultural portion of the Estate under the Land Act of 1903.

Present:

Aldermen:— P. P. Keeley,

Councillors:— L. Moore, P. Gorman, P. J. Fulham, J. Callan, W. Hughes, P. Drew, J. Jordan and J. J. Kelly.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Adjournment Mullacurry Races.

On the motion of Councillor Moore seconded by Councillor Gorman it was decided to adjourn the meeting to 11 o'clock on Tuesday the 14th May in consequence of this day clashing with Mullacurry Races.

W. J. Skeffington — Chairman

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May 14th

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on ~~Wednesday~~ Tuesday the 14th day of May 1907, to:— (1) Consider Report of the Law and Finance Committee and pass such resolutions as may be necessary in and about the striking of Rates for the current financial year. (2) Consider Report of the Land Purchase Committee as to the sale of the agricultural portion of the Estate under the Land Act of 1903.

Present:

Aldermen:— J. Downey, P. P. Keeley, L. J. Elcock and J. J. Curran.

Councillors:— L. Moore, P. Gorman, J. J. Callan, P. J. Fulham, J. Callan, W. J. Skeffington (Mayor) J. Jordan & J. J. Kelly.

In the Chair— His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Report of Law and Finance Committee— adjourned.

It was unanimously agreed to defer the consideration of the Report of the Law and Finance Committee to the ordinary meeting of the Council to be held on the 15th instant.

Land Purchase ✓

The Report of the Land Purchase Committee was taken as read and after some discussion it was decided to refer the matter back to the Committee for further consideration and an amended report, Councillor J. Callan dissenting.

Patrick Finegan's Holding ✓

It was ordered that the Committee do include in the list of holdings proposed to be sold that of Patrick Finegan, situate on the North Road.

W. J. Skeffington — Chairman.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 15th day of May 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, J. Downey, L. J. Elcock and J. J. Curran.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, P. Gorman, J. J. Callan, D. Branigan, P. J. Fulham, T. Callan, P. Drew, W. T. Skeffington, (Mayor) J. Jordan, and J. C. Kelly.

In the chair — His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of meetings held on 1st and 8th May were read and confirmed.

Wages

The wages for the week, amounting to £45 . 2 . 5, were examined and approved.

Pump in Crooked Street maliciously broken.

Report read from the Borough Surveyor to the effect that the pump in Crooked Street had been maliciously broken.

Ordered that the pump be repaired.

Peter Casey refuses to give up possession of Land Crushrod Lane.

Mr. J. J. Burke reported that Peter Casey of Newfoundred had refused to give up possession of the Land at the Crushrod Lane required for the manure depot.

Ordered that the Solicitor to the Corporation be instructed to obtain possession.

Sword & Silver Cups sent to Irish I. Exhibition ✓

The Council approved of the lending of the Sword and the old silver Cups (4) to the Irish International Exhibition.

Sites for labourers cottages Woods holding at Downrath. ✓

The Council agreed to consent, provided the site be approved by the Borough Surveyor, to an alternative site for the erection of Labourer's Cottage on John Woods' holding at Downrath.

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Delegates to National Convention

In response to an invitation from the United Irish League the Council appointed Aldermen - Downey and Elcock and Councillors - Jordan, J. J. Callan, Fulham and Branigan, as delegates to represent them at the National Convention.

Laurence Donegan Retiring allowance approved by Lord Lieutenant. ✓

Letter read from the Under Secretary, Dublin Castle, intimating the approval of the Lord Lieutenant of the Retiring Allowance of £25 per annum granted to Mr Laurence Donegan, late Secretary of the Gas Works Department.

No order made.

Slating of Cottages

Letter read from Laurence Fox, Rope Walk, relating to the work of slating the cottages of the Corporation.

No order made.

Mullingar, Kells & Drogheda Rly Co. No objection anticipated to running powers. ✓

Communication read from Rowlands & Co., Solicitors for the Promoters of the Mullingar Kells and Drogheda Railway Co., stating they did not anticipate any objection to the insertion in a future Bill of the clause regarding the free use of the right to over the Quays.

The communication was considered satisfactory.

Artizans & Labourers Dwellings. Facilities.

The Council adopted a Resolution of the Ennis Urban District Council advocating the granting by Parliament of increased facilities for the erection of Artizans and Labourers Houses.

John Dagnall's house Hand Street. Improvements

Application read from John Dagnall, Hand Street, to have larger windows put into his house to facilitate him in his work - boot making - and also a new door.

Ordered that the application be acceded to.

Tender of Thomas Morgan for Carts

Letter read from Thomas Morgan, Yellowbatter, relating to his tender for repairs to carts.

It was agreed that the matter could not be gone into as a tender had been accepted.

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Report on striking of Rate.

Report read from Law and Finance Committee as follows:-

Gentlemen,

The question of the Rates to be struck for the current financial year has had our careful consideration, and we have examined and considered the Estimates submitted to us.

Footpath, Thomas Street.

Dealing with the Borough Surveyor's Estimate we have struck out 1. £99.10.0 for concreting the footpath from the viaduct to the Boyne Mills, as we think that to do from Thomas Street to the viaduct, which is estimated to cost £87, is a large enough outlay for this year.

Retaining Wall Strand Road.

2. £25 out of £48.5.0 for the retaining wall along the Strand Road as we look upon the balance as sufficient for one year.

Constitution Hill Sewer.

3. £122.10.0 for a new sewer down Constitution Hill. We think this work should be deferred till next year, since another sewer from the Railway Gates to the workhouse has to be constructed this year.

Sanitary accomodation for Hand Street houses.

4. £162 to provide sanitary accomodation for cottages in Hand Street. We are of opinion that such an expenditure would be inadvisable in view of the fact that the Council contemplate the erection of improved dwellings in that locality.

Repairs to Mayorally House.

5. £151 for repairs to the Mayorally House. This item should not come upon the estimates, but out of the revenue from the Mayorally House.

The Estimate for Poor Rate charges covers the Demand of the County Council, and the cost of collection - in all - £3,339.10.0, requiring a rate of 2/9. We approved this estimate.

Another estimate was for the requirements of the Water Works Department, amounting to £2,201, requiring, with the income from meters to, a rate of 1/10.

The Rates for Technical Instruction and for the Public Library will of course be struck.

The Estimates as amended for which rates must be struck are -

Maintenance of Works transferred from the Grand Jury	1,292.3.9
Demand of the County Council	3106.10.0
Forward	£4,398.13.9

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Forward,	£4,398.13.9
Technical Instruction,	100.0.0
Public Library.	100.0.0
Water Supply,	2201.0.0
	£6,799.13.9

Consolidated Rate of 4/- and Sanitary Rate of 1/10

for which we recommend the striking a a consolidated Rate of 4/- and a Sanitary Rate of 1/10 for the water supply which will result in a deficit of about £500 to be met by more economic management of the Borough Surveyor's Department We have not made any provision for contingencies.

Comparision of Water Rates.

The new rate for the water supply - 1/10 - is, at first sight, greater by 4d than the old rental of 1/6 but since the Borough Fund contributed £800 towards the waterworks department in the past, which is now provided for in the new rate, and the Borough Rate reduced in proportion - the rates being 4/- and 1/10 this year as against 4/8 and 1/6 last year - there is an actual reduction of all round to water consumers of 4d.

W. J. Skeffington Chairman

Dated 4th may 1907.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Jordan, seconded by Councillor J.J. Callan, Councillor T. Callan dissenting.

Estimates approved.

On the motion of Alderman Curran, seconded by Councillor Gorman the various Estimates were approved.

Making of Rate.

It was unanimously Resolved, on the motion of Councillor J.J. Callan seconded by Councillor Gorman -

"That we the Corporation of Drogheda do order and direct that a Consolidated Municipal Rate of be made, applotted, levied, assessed and raised within the Borough of Drogheda, the said Rate to be for the financial year ending the 31st day of March 1908 and to be at the rate of forty eight pence in the pound, to be assessed, levied and raised from and off the owners, occupiers or tenants of all hereditaments rateable for the relief of the destitute poor in Ireland; 33 pence in the pound of such Rate being to meet General District Poor Rate charges, 13 pence in the pound of such rate being to meet the maintenance of the Public Works transferred from the late Grand Jury of the County of

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making of rate

the town of Drogheda, one penny in the pound thereof to meet the expenses for the purposes of the Public Libraries Acts, and one penny in the pound thereof to meet the expenses for the purposes of the Technical Instruction Acts.

And it is hereby further resolved that a Sanitary Rate under the provisions, SBC of Section 226 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 of twenty two pence in the pound be made, applotted, levied and raised in manner therein provided to meet the expenses of the water supply for the District.

W. J. Skeffington Chairman

1907 May 24th

Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Friday the 24th day of May 1907; "to further consider the question of a sale of the agricultural portion of the Corporate Estate and the Report or Reports of the Land Purchase Committee in connection therewith; to execute, if approved, an Agreement with the Great Northern Railway Co. for the laying of a new water main from Killineer to the entrance gates to the Coy's station premises"

Present:

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, G. Daly and J. J. Curran.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, P. Gorman, J. J. Callan, B. Matthews, T. Callan, W. T. Skeffington (Mayor) and S. Jordan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

The Town Clerk intimated that the agreement referred to in the Notice was not yet finally settled upon.

Land Purchase question deferred.

It was decided to further defer the question of the sale of the Estate pending an additional report from the Land Purchase Committee.

W. J. Skeffington Chairman

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June 5th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 5th day of June 1907.

Present.

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P.P. Keeley, L.J. Elcock and J.J. Curran.
Councillors:- L. Moore, P. Gorman, J.J. Callan, P. Lynch, P.J. Fulham, W.T. Haffington, (Mayor) J. Jordan and J.D. Kelly.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

The Minutes of meetings held on 14th and 15th may 1907 were read and confirmed.

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Wages

The wages for the week, amounting to £11 8s. 3d. 0 were examined and approved.

Payments

A Treasurer's Authority for making Payment to out of the Borough Fund to the amount of £15 11s. 10d. and another for payments out of the Public Library Account to the amount of £3 14s. 8 were signed.

Requirement Book signed.

The Borough Surveyor's Requirements Book was signed for articles to the value of £9. 11s. 0.

Return of Receipts.

The Borough Treasurers Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st May was read and approved. (amounted £341. 19s. 5.

Woods' House Hand St.

Report read from Borough Surveyor giving the cost of repairing Woods' house in Hand Street. (£12. 11s. 6)

No order made.

Cart and Harness required.

Further Report of Borough Surveyor read, stating that another cart and another set of harness were required consequent upon the purchase of an additional horse.

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A Committee consisting of Aldermen Downey and Elcock, Councillors Lyons and Jordan together with the Mayor was appointed to enquire into the matter and to report thereon.

Annual Report of Car Inspector

Annual Report read from Car Inspector upon the state of the Licensed Carriages.

The Report was adopted.

Tar Paving Footpath to Prenhills

Communication read from H.W. Daville, Gas Works Department, offering to lay a tar paving footpath along the Chord Road to the Boyne Mills at 1/6 per square yard.

On the motion of Alderman Curran, seconded by Alderman Keeley, it was decided to accept the proposal, Councillor Fulham dissenting.

Valuations of Building Sites. L.G.B. accept certificate of Borough Surveyor.

Letter read from the Local Government Board agreeing to accept the certificate of the Borough Surveyor of the value of sites proposed to be leased for 99 years for building purposes and requesting to be furnished with the certificates of the present letting value of the sites.

Ordered that the request be complied with.

Water Works Loans

Further communication from the Board read, declining to extend the period fixed for the repayment of the Loans contracted in respect of the Water Works Undertaking.

Thomas Morgan tender for Cart repairs.

Another communication from the Local Government Board was read, enclosing copy of a letter received by them from Mr. Thomas Morgan relating to the contract for the repair of carts, and requesting the observations of the Council on the matter.

The Town Clerk was directed to reply.

Surplus Moneys from Dog Licences

Letter from the Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks, intimating that the proportion of Surplus Moneys arising from the sale of Dog Licences for the Borough was £29. 15. 7, read.

Read

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1907. June 5th Irish Cement

Read, a letter from Messrs. Cooper & Co., Duneagh, Wexford, to the effect that they could not supply cement.

John Owens asks that Entrance to his prems. Stockwell Lane be made suitable.

Application from John J. Owens, Wellington Quay, asking that the entrance gate to his premises in Stockwell Lane be made suitable for traffic using it.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to inspect and report.

Unlighted Lamp Chord Road.

A Letter was read from H.W. Saville, Gas Works Department, explaining that the Lamp on Chord Road, complained of by Mr. Barker for being unlighted, was one of 100 lamps not lighted in the summer months.

Fines under Irish Education Act in relief of local rates.

Circular Letter read from the Town Clerk of Portadown, requesting the Corporation to support the movement for the application of Fines under the Irish Education Act 1892 to the relief of local rates.

The Town Clerk was directed to communicate with Mr. Joseph Nolan M.P. on the subject and to inform the Town Clerk of Portadown that the Council were in sympathy with the movement.

Water Works Payments. Town Clerk authorized to make. ✓

On the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Alderman Downey, it was Resolved:— "That the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to sign Authorities for Payments in connection with the Water Works Department instead of Mr. Laurence Dorgan."

Rate Book and Collector's Warrant Signed. ✓

The Rate Book containing assessments of Rates upon all Hereditaments within the Borough, as directed by the Resolution of the Council of the 15th day of May 1907, was submitted.

On the motion of Councillor Gorman, seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan it was unanimously Resolved—that the said Rates and Assessments be adopted, and that the Rate Book and Collector's Warrants be signed and sealed.

The Rate Book and Warrants were thereupon signed and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto.

W. J. Shaffington
Chairman

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 19th day of June 1907.

Present.

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P. Keeley and J. J. Curran.
Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, P. Gorman, P. Lyons, J. Fulham, and W. J. Shaffington (Mayor)

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of meetings held on 24th May and 5th June were read and confirmed.

Wages

The Wages for the week, amounting to £50.5.5, were examined and approved.

Requirement Book signed.

The Borough Surveyor's Requirement Book was signed for articles to the value of £6.1.0.

Premises 24 Shop Street.

Report from Borough Surveyor on the condition of the premises in Shop Street, lately in the occupation of J. A. Kelly, read, and ordered to be referred to the Estate Committee together with an application from J. F. Hoey for a lease of the premises, which was also read.

Repairs to Cottages Patrick Street.

Further Report read from the Borough Surveyor, giving an estimate of the cost of repairing cottages in Patrick Street. Ordered to be referred to the Estate Committee.

Peter Casey's rent - Crushrod Lane.

Communication read from Peter Casey Scarlet Street relating to rent due by him and to his tenure of the field in Crushrod Lane required for a manure Depot. The matter was left in the hands of the Borough Treasurer.

Thomas Sullivan's car licence.

Thomas Sullivan North Road was granted a Car Proprietor's and also a Car Driver's License.

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1907. June 19th. Tender for cement.

A Proposal of A. Murdock Sons to supply cement at 38/- per ton was accepted.

Assignment Patrick Dolan to Michael Moore ✓

On the application of Patrick Tallan Solicitor, the Council agreed to consent to an assignment from Patrick Dolan to Michael Moore of premises situate at Sundays Gate, and to the latter mortgaging the premises.

Batchelor & Hicks' Fees ✓

Letter read from Batchelor & Hicks, Architects, again requesting payment of their fees in the action-Lyrilly v Corporation.

Ordered that a copy of the letter be forwarded to the Solicitor to the Corporation.

Thomas Morgan's tender for Cart, repair.

Letter from the Local Government Board, transmitting copy of a letter addressed by them to Thomas Morgan in reference to the contract for repairs to carts, read.

Workmen's Compensation Act Liabilities

A Circular Letter of the Local Government Board, on the subject of the liability of Local Authorities under the Workmen's Compensation Act 1906, was submitted and ordered to be referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Major Wm. Augustus Adams' Estate. Redemption of the Head Rent ✓

The Seal of the Corporation was affixed to a Consent in duplicate, to redeem of a head rent of £4.3.1 payable to the Corporation out of the Estate of Major Wm. Augustus Adams, at the sum of £114.4.9, and to an Undertaking to apply the Redemption money as if it were Capital money arising under the Settled Land Acts.

Housing Scheme ✓

Communication from the Local Government Board, read, setting out a Summary of the housing scheme of the Corporation and enquiring if the same was correct, and further enquiring why the Plans &c had not been signed by the Borough Surveyor; they also asked for a Report from the Medical Officer of Health on the Nuns Walk site.

Nuns Walk site

The Town Clerk was directed to state that the Summary was correct, that as the Borough Surveyor had other matters on hand the Assistant to the Borough Surveyor was instructed to prepare

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prepare the Plans, which met with the approval of the Borough Surveyor and could be signed by him if necessary, and to obtain and furnish the Board with the required report of the Medical Officer.

Tender for Cart. ✓

Three Tenders were submitted for the making and supplying of a dray cart.

The lowest - £7.18.0 - that of Thomas Morgan, Yellowbatter, was accepted.

W. J. Skeffington Chairman

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June 24th

Special meeting

Minutes of Proceedings of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Monday the 24th day of June 1907, to execute, if approved, an Agreement with the Great Northern Railway Co. for the laying of a new main from Killineer to the Company's Station premises.

Present:

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, and J. J. Curran.
Councillors:- L. Moore, P. Gorman, P. Lynch, P. Drew, W. J. Skeffington (Mayor) and J. J. Kelly.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Agreement with Great Northern Railway Co. for Water Supply approved and signed. ✓

The Town Clerk submitted the Agreement, in duplicate, referred to in the Notice and explained its provisions.

On the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor Moore it was Resolved: that the Agreement be approved and be now executed by the Corporation

The Agrament was accordingly executed and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto.

W. J. Skeffington Chairman

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July 3rd

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 3rd day of July 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, and J. J. Curran.
Councillors:- L. Moore, P. Gorman, J. J. Callan, W. J. Skeffington (Mayor) and L. Jordan.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of meeting held on 19th June were read and confirmed.

Wages — The Wages for the week, amounting to £46. 7. 1, were examined and approved.

Payments — An Authority for making Payments out of the Borough Fund to the amount of £478: 1: 2, and out of the Public Library Account to the amount of £9. 1. 10, were signed

Adjournment Bellewstown Races. — On the motion of Councillor J. J. Callan, seconded by Alderman Keely, the meeting was adjourned for a week owing to the holding of Bellewstown Races on this day.

W. J. Skeffington Chairman

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July 10th

Minutes of an adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 10th day of July 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley, B. Collins and L.J. Elcock.
Councillors:- L. Moore, P. Gorman, J.J. Callan, B. Matthews, T. Callan, W.J. Heffington, (Mayor) and S. Jordan.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of Meetings held on 24th June and 3rd July were read and confirmed.

Wages — The Wages for the week, amounting to £32.1.7 were examined and approved.

Return of Receipts. — The Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 30th June, amounting to £446.12.2, was read.

Carmen fined. — Read, a Report from the Car Inspector giving names of Carmen who had been fined for plying for hire without Licenses.

Resignations of Councillors Boyd and P.J. Callan. ✓ — Communications read from Councillors Boyd and P.J. Callan tendering their resignations as Councillors for St. Laurence Gate and West Gate Wards respectively.

On the motion of Councillor J.J. Callan, seconded by alderman Keeley, the resignations were accepted.

Leases for 99 years to Peter Downey, L.J. Branigan and Mary M'Ardle. Assent of L.G. Board ✓ — Communications from the Local Government Board, assenting to the proposal of the Corporation to grant Leases for a term of 99 years to Messrs Peter Downey and L.J. Branigan and Miss Mary M'Ardle, read.

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Loan of £15,000 for Cottages ✓

A letter from the Local Government Board was read, in reference to the application for sanction to a Loan of £15,000, for Cottages, enquiring whether the Corporation had passed any resolutions authorizing the issue of Stock.

The Town Clerk was directed to reply.

Patrick Bentony's a/c. — Application read from Patrick Bentony Mell, requesting payment of a/c furnished.

No order made.

Thomas Brady Shop St. granted Lease for 99 years. ✓ — Application from Thomas Brady, Shop Street, read, asking the Council to grant him a lease of his new premises for a term of 99 years instead of 75 years.

It was agreed to accede to the request.

Thomas Sullivan's house North Road. Mary Owens - footpath. Mich. Clinton - holding. — Read: Letter from Thomas Sullivan North Road regarding the condition of the floor of his house; Letter from Mary Owens Hand Street with reference to the state of the footpath in front of her premises; letter from Michael Clinton in relation to his former holding at Killincor.

Irish Trademark ✓ — Communication from the Irish Industrial Development Association read, forwarding copy of a resolution passed by them at their annual General Meeting, advocating that all goods supplied to Irish Public Bodies as of Irish Manufacture should be stamped with the Irish Trade Mark.

It was unanimously agreed to give effect to the suggestion.

Small Holdings Act - Extension to Ireland. — Circular Letter from the Secretary of the County Council of Waterford, forwarding copy of a Resolution passed by his Board in favour of the extension to Ireland of the English Small Holdings and Allotments Bill, read.

The Resolution was adopted on the motion of Councillor Jordan, seconded by Councillor J.J. Callan.

W.J. Heffington — Chairman

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July 17th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 17th day of July 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley, J. Downey and L.J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. Dolan, P. Gorman, P. Lyons, D. Branigan, W. Hughes, P. Drew, W. J. Reffington, (Mayor) S. Jordan and J.S. Kelly.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of meeting held on 10th July were read and confirmed.

Wages — The Wages for the week, amounting to £52.16.8 were examined and approved.

Car Licence Peter Fullar — Peter Fullar, Marsh, was granted a Car Proprietors and also a Car Drivers License.

Sullivan's house North Road — Report from Borough Surveyor read, to the effect that the cost of laying a wooden floor in Sullivan's house North Road would be about £3.

No order made.

Tenements for Revision of Valuation — The Town Clerk submitted Lists of Tenements requiring Revision of valuation, which were approved.

"Finger Post" to be removed. — Ordered that the "Finger Post" lately erected at the corner of Laurence Street and Peter Street be removed, and that designs of a better class of post be submitted to next meeting.

Quarry carts to draw 30 cwt. of stone. — Ordered that the Corporation Carts at Killincor Quarry do carry 30 cwt. of stone in each load and six of such loads per day direct to the Depots.

W.J. Reffington Chairman.

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August 7th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House in Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 7th day of August 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley, J. Downey, L.J. Elcock and J.J. Curran.
Councillors:- J. Dolan, P. Gorman, P. Lyons, J.J. Callan, P. Lynch, P.J. Fulham, P. Drew, W.J. Reffington, (Mayor) ~~and~~ J. Jordan and C. Moore

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the meeting held on 17th July were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages, amounting to £46.17.6, were examined and approved.

Requirement Book signed. — Borough Surveyor's Requirement Book signed for £3.18.0.

Payments — Treasurer's Authority for Making Payments to the amount £403.16.6 approved and signed, Borough Fund, and £0.16.5 Public Library.

Return of Receipts — Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st July, amounting to £320.10.6, read and approved.

Fines for offences against Market Bye Laws. — Report from Market Collector, read, giving names of persons who had been fined at Petty Sessions for offences against the Market Bye Laws.

No order made thereon.

Bayonets and Swords restored ✓ — Read, a report from the Town Clerk to the effect that he had received from the Police authorities the following old firearms which had been taken up from the Corporation in 1882 under the Peace Preservation Act:
Six single Flintlock guns with Bayonets, 4 do. without Bayonets

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Bayonets, 5 Swords in scalbards. (One broken).

Designs for direction Post.

A Report from the Borough Surveyor, submitting a design of a direction Post, was read and ordered to be referred to the Streets and Supplies Committee.

Coal for Municipal Buildings

Applications were read from Caretakers of the Municipal Buildings for usual supply of Coal and it was decided to invite tenders for the supply of 12 tons as usual.

Employees application for a holiday

Read, an application from the Employees for a holiday and expenses to the Exhibition in Dublin.

No order made.

Claim of N. J. Murphy for compensation for damage to his land ✓

Letter read from N. J. Murphy, Hill of Rath, claiming £10 as compensation for injury to his crops caused by the making of borings on his holding at Killineer by servants of the Corporation.

Ordered that the matter be referred to the Estate Committee.

Appeal by John Dolan against the dismissal of application to have Fair Rent fixed. ✓

Letter from the Solicitor to the Corporation read, intimating that an appeal had been lodged on behalf of John Dolan, Tenant, against the finding of the Sub Commission dismissing his application to have a Fair Rent fixed on a holding at Yellowbatter.

No order made.

Thomas Sullivan paid £1:10:0 to floor a room of his house.

It was agreed to consent to pay to Thomas Sullivan North Road the sum of £1.10.0 for the flooring of a room of his house provided the work be carried out to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor.

Concreting of footpath for Mary Owens Hand Street

It was agreed to expend not more than 12/ on laying down Concrete on the footpath in front of the door of Mary Owens house in Hand Street.

Communication

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Loan of £15,000 for Artizans Dwellings ✓

Communication of the Local Government Board, on the subject of the proposed Loan of £15,000, for the erection of Labourers Dwellings, read.

A Deputation consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Elcock and Councillor Lynch with the Town Clerk, was appointed to wait on the Board in connection with the matter.

Painting at Gas Works.

Read, a Letter from the Painters Society transmitting copy of a Resolution passed by them in reference to the carrying out of painting work at the Gas Works.

The Town Clerk was directed to submit a Return to next meeting showing the extent of painting work done at the Gas Works for the past year by skilled and unskilled labour and by what persons the work was performed.

Advertising of Fair.

Ordered that the Fair to be held on the 14th August be advertised in the local papers.

Watchman on St. Laurence Gate on Sundays ✓

On a Division it was carried by 7 votes to 6 that a suitable person be employed at a remuneration of 10/ to remain in charge of Laurence Gate on Sundays for the remainder of the summer, for the purpose of enabling tourists and others to inspect the Gate, no charge to be made and a Notice to that effect to be posted on the Gate, and that all the Keys given to residents in the locality be taken up.

W. J. Skeffington Chairman.

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August 21st

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 21st day of August 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley and J. Downey.
Councillors:- P. Gorman, L. Moore, B. Matthews and W. J. Heffington (Mayor)

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of meeting held on 7th August 1907 were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £38.1.9. examined and approved.

Gully and Drains

Gully traps at West Gate, at McCullough's Fair Street & Slowey's Fair Street

Report from Borough Surveyor read, recommending that the drains from two gullies at West Gate be connected with the main sewer; that a larger grate be put down opposite Mr. C. O'Connor's premises than the present one, and that the gullies at McCullough's and Slowey's Fair Street be piped to the main Sewer.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Downey seconded by Councillor Moore.

Adjournment Laytown Races.

Alderman Keeley proposed, Councillor Moore seconding, that the meeting be now adjourned in consequence of the holding on this day of Laytown Races.

Motion put and carried.

W. J. Heffington

Chairman

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 4th September 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley, J. Downey and J.J. Curran.
Councillors:- P. Gorman, J.J. Callan, D. Branigan, P. Lynch, B. Matthews, P.J. Fulham, T. Callan, W.J. Heffington, (Mayor), D. Jordan, and L.J. Carpenter.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of meeting held on 21st august were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £37.11.3 examined and approved.

Requirement Book signed.

Borough Surveyor's Requirement Book signed for £3.18.0.

Payments

Treasurer's Authority for making Payments amounting to £152.10.8 approved and signed in respect of the Borough Fund, and for £10.12.0 in respect of the Public Library Account.

Return of Receipts

Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st august, amounting to £376.12.5, submitted and approved.

Fire in Green Lane

Report from Borough Surveyor read, stating that a fire had occurred in a house on the Green Lane occupied by John Morry.

New Surety for Borough Treasurer.

Report from Town Clerk read, intimating that one of the Sureties of the Borough Treasurer had died (Mr. Thomas Brady).

Mr. Curtis submitted the name of Mr. Peter J. McGuillan to replace the late Mr. Brady. The Council unanimously accepted Mr. McGuillan.

Further Report from the Town Clerk, as follows, read:-

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Disqualification of alderman Gerald Daly
✓

Gentlemen,

Acting upon the directions given to me by the resolution of the Council of the 17th April last I have enquired into the matter of the qualification of members of the Council, and I have to report that in my opinion one of the members - viz Alderman Gerald Daly - is not eligible to be a member, having become disqualified by being concerned in a contract with the Corporation which is in contravention to the provisions of the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Act and The Local Government (Ireland) Act and Orders thereunder

Your obedient Servant,
J. B. Connolly, Town Clerk.

Ordered that a copy of the report be sent to Alderman Daly.

Fish Dealers allowed to hawk fish in outlying streets after two o'clock
✓

Report of Market Collector read, giving a list of persons fined at Petty Sessions for breaches of the Market Bye Laws.

Ordered that fish dealers be permitted to hawk fish through the outlying streets after two o'clock in the day instead of three o'clock as heretofore, but not to stand and expose for sale.

The following Reports of the Estate Committee and the Council in Committee were read and adopted unanimously on the motion of Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Kelly —

Report of Estate Committee.

Gentlemen,

Marsh Mill premises. Lease for 75 years to Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co. Ltd.
✓

We have had under consideration the application of the Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co. Ltd. for a new lease of the marsh mill Premises, and we have had several interviews with the Directors of the Company on the subject.

The existing lease has 17 years to run from the 25th March next and comprises the whole of the mill premises, including stores & sheds &c, the Manager's house and garden and nine cottages adjoining the Gas Works. The present rent is £28.13.6.

The Company propose to surrender this lease and to take a new one instead for a term of 75 years from the 29th September next at a rent of £50 a year and to spend £500 in building five additional houses on a vacant space between the Manager's house and the nine other houses referred to. They state that it is their intention to fill the mill Buildings with new Machinery which will involve, as

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the work proceeds, extensive structural alterations and a large outlay. We recommend the Council to agree to the proposal of the Company and to grant them a new lease accordingly.

Lease to Robert Carr of garden in Scarlet Street
✓

We have temporarily let to Mr. Robert Carr of Scarlet Street, for a yearly rent of £2, a Garden, containing about one acre, at the back of the new Cottage Hospital in Scarlet Street, and we recommend the making out of a lease to him for 31 years at this rent.

Compensation to W. J. Murphy
✓

We have also enquired into the application of Mr. W. J. Murphy for compensation for damage to his crops by trespass on his land of servants of the Corporation in making borings. We recommend that in order to remove any ground of complaint Mr. Murphy be paid the sum of £2. Dated 30th August 1907.

W. J. Keffington Chairman.

Report of the Council in Committee.

Gentlemen,

Lease to Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co. of Marsh Mill premises.
✓

We have had before us this day, at a meeting specially convened for the purpose, a draft Report of the Estate Committee recommending the granting of a new lease of the entire marsh mill premises for 75 years at £50 a year to the Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co. Ltd. We unanimously approved the report and recommend it for your acceptance.

Dated 6th August 1907. W. J. Keffington Chairman.

Market Collector's house to be painted.

Application from market Collector read, requesting that his house should be painted.

Ordered that the Borough Surveyor do inspect and report.

Hoarding — Shop St. permission to Mr. L. J. Branigan to erect.

Read, an application from L. J. Branigan for permission to erect a hoarding in front of his premises in Shop Street.

Application granted on the usual conditions.

County Demand & Technical Inst. Contribution instalment

Communications read from the Secretary County Council of Louth and the secretary of the managing Committee of Technical Instruction, applying for payment of contributions due to the 30th Septr.

Payments ordered.

Loan of £15000 for artizans Dwellings.
✓

Letters from the Local Government Board, on the subject of the application for sanction to a loan of £15000 for the erection of Artizans and Labourers Dwellings, read.

No order made.

Further

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1907 September 4th — Thomas Brady's premises Shop Street.

Further letter from the Board read, requesting a valuer's certificate of the letting value of Mr. Thomas Brady's premises in Shop Street and to be informed of the present rent received from the premises.

Ordered that the required information be supplied.

Progress of Rate Collection

Read, a further communication from the Board pointing out that the Rate Collector should be called upon to proceed diligently with his collection so that it may be closed by the 30th September.

The Town Clerk received intructions to inform the Collector of the matter and to say that the Council was dissatisfied with the manner in which the collection was proceeding.

Annual Revision of ~~the~~ Valuation.

Communication from the Chief Clerk, General Valuation Office, read, intimating that the annual Revision of the valuation of the Urban District would be commenced by Mr. J. Carbury about the 14th ~~September~~ August.

Home Work Order.

Circular Letter from the Home Office read, enclosing copy of a new Home Work Order of the 23rd May, replacing the Order of the 15th August 1905. No order made.

Letter of Joseph McCarthy.

A Communication from the Local Government Board, enclosing a letter received by them from ~~Mr.~~ Joseph McCarthy, was submitted.

The Council declined to have the letter read.

Patrick Pentony's reps. claim of £17:16:3.

A letter from Wm. F. Mackittrick, Solicitor, claiming £17:16:3 on behalf of the representatives of Patrick Pentony deceased, was read and ordered to be referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Rev. F. Carolan's application for Cave to encroach on Mell thoroughfare ✓

Application from the Revd. Francis Carolan P.P. Tullyallen, read, requesting permission to encroach on the thoroughfare at Mell in the carrying out of improvements at Mell Schoolhouse.

Ordered that the application be referred to the Estate Committee.

Tenders for Coal ✓

Three Tenders were submitted for the supply and delivery of 12 tons coal.

That of Finegan Bros. offering Maryport Coal at 21/- per ton was accepted by nine votes to three.

W. T. Skeffington

Chairman.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 18th day of September 1907

Present.

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, J. Downey, L. J. Elcock and G. Daly.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, P. Gorman, J. J. Callan, D. Branigan, P. Lynch, B. Matthews, P. J. Fulham, T. Callan, P. Drew, W. T. Skeffington (Mayor), S. Jordan and J. S. Kelly.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of meeting held on 4th September were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £46.5.6 examined and approved.

Mayoralty House Repairs. ✓

Report from Borough Surveyor read, submitting Specification for repairs to the Mayoralty House.

The Specification was approved and it was decided to invite tenders for sheeting the floor of the ball room and for the putting in of girders and beams under that floor.

Report read from Estate Committee as follows:-

Gentlemen,

George Devine's holding. Rent fixed. ✓

Referring to Mr. George Devine's holding on the Deamore Road your Committee beg to report that they have had an interview with Mr. Devine and have agreed with him that the rent shall be £9, instead of the rent previously fixed, on the understanding that this rent shall be looked upon as the "Fair Rent" of the holding in the event of a sale, and that all proceedings to have a rent fixed by the Land Commission shall be dropped.

Reps. of J. F. Skelly's interest in Old Vault in Shop Street to be purchased ✓

Acting upon the advice of your Solicitor we have entered into negotiations with the representatives of Mr. J. F. Skelly for the purchase of his interest in an old vault which is situated in the centre of Miss Mac Ardle's holding in Shop Street. We have arranged, subject to your

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your approval, for the purchase of the interest in this vault for the sum of £5.

Encroachment on Mell footpath by Rev. F. Carolan. 18 feet allowed. ✓

We have had under consideration the application of the Rev. Francis Carolan P.P. for permission to encroach upon the public thoroughfare in the carrying out of some improvements at Mell schoolhouse. Having examined the ground we see no objection to allowing Fr. Carolan to encroach to the extent of 18 feet from the existing school house which will leave a space of 6 feet for a footpath.

All of which we submit as our report.

Dated 16th September 1907. W. J. Heffernan Chairman.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor J. J. Callan, seconded by Councillor Lynch.

The following Reports of the Land Purchase Committee were taken as read, and, on the motion of Alderman Downey seconded by Councillor Branigan, unanimously adopted:

Land Purchase Committee's report. ✓

Gentlemen,

Since our re-appointment on the 23rd January last we have met several times and the question of a sale by the Corporation to their tenants of agricultural holdings under the Land act of 1903, was carefully considered.

Believing it to be the desire of the Corporation to sell on the most advantageous terms to the tenants that can possibly be entertained we have dealt with the question largely from that standpoint, and therefore, at the outset, we wish it to be clearly recognised that the terms which we now recommend the Council to offer are such, in our opinion, as cannot be improved upon. We have made the greatest allowances possible in favour of the tenants as we consider that although an immediate loss of your present income will result from a sale, it will be compensated for in the future by a better secured income and economy in expenses.

We append to our report two lists of tenants – a list of non-judicial tenants, and of tenants who have had "Fair Rents" fixed. The number of the former is 38, and the latter 47. The present rent receivable from both classes of tenants is £635. 0. 2½, but the rent upon which a sale would take place would probably be

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be roundly £2000. There is also a map attached which has been prepared by Mr J. J. Burke showing the property proposed to be sold. The valuations given do not include the value of buildings.

We have come to the conclusion that you ought to decide to sell to your tenants at 24½ years purchase, which works out as follows:-

24½ years purchase of £2000	49.000.	
add 12% for Bonus	5.880	54,880.
Deduct 5% for expenses of sale, investment of the purchase money, and loss on redemption of charges on the Corporate Estate.	2.744	£52,136.

which sum invested in Trustee Securities to yield 3½ per cent interest, (the very highest we consider it prudent to calculate upon) would provide an income of £1824.15.0, or a loss on the assumed income of £2000 of £174.15.0. As against this loss we think it fair to put the following probable saving:-

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Proportion of Borough Treasurer's salary	£50	
Law Costs	50	£100

leaving a net loss of £74.15.0. The present officer's salary will not be in any was interfered with, but still we think it right to make this allowance in favour of the tenants. We had no data to guide us as to costs as the Council have not yet effected a settlement with their solicitor. When it is remembered that reductions of rent are made by the Land Court from time to time we think the ratepayers should not object to this assumed immediate loss.

We make the foregoing recommendations upon the clear understanding that if a sale upon the terms we have suggested can be brought about, and provisionally approved by the Local Government Board, every tenant must first have his rent fixed (for the purpose of sale) by the Land Commission, except such tenants as have had rents fixed since 1896. Of course every tenant who holds under a lease would be fully compensated for the value of his interest in it.

We have struck out of the original list of tenants prepared several holdings, which, having regard to special circumstances connected with them, we do not favour a sale of them. viz:- (1) Residential Holdings – James J. Clarke "Drynestown Cottage" Drogheda

Henry Reay, Ardee, "Bay view" Drogheda

John Dolan, "The Cottage", Yellowbatter Drogheda

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Marion Weir, "Weir Hope" Drogheda.
Peter Carroll "Laburnam Turret" North Road Drogheda.
(2) Holdings farmed out by non-resident middlemen with no prospect of a change-
Wm. J. Carbery, Castlemartyr Co. Cork, two holdings.
George Knaggs, Corderry, Knockbridge, Dundalk, two holdings.
Mrs. Gradwell, two holdings.
John Leland, Bellichburne, Drogheda, six holdings.
(3) Holdings required by the Council—
Joseph W. Moore Newfoundwell, for building site.
N. J. Murphy, Killineer, for quarry.
John Finegan, North Road, for building site.

Land Purchase ✓ If the tenants of the middlemen here referred to can arrive at an understanding with them we see no objection to a sale to the tenants, but we strongly disapprove of the Council selling to such middlemen.

In conclusion, we wish to point out that while 24½ years purchase of Second Term Rents is probably the average price at which private landlords in the neighbourhood of Drogheda have sold their estates, it must be borne in mind that the Corporation land is very adjacent to the town; that it is of real good quality, and that as not more than five per cent for the cost of collection can be assumed where the private landlord must allow at least ten per cent, it should be apparent that the Corporation would be, in the circumstances, offering to their tenants better terms than the average private landlord. We have endeavoured to look at the matter in as favourable a light for the tenants as we possibly could, and we hope that on their part the tenants will realise the difficulties that beset the Corporation and take the peculiar aspects of the situation into account in considering the offer the Council may make them.

Dated 4th April 1907. W. J. O'Keffington Chairman.

Gentlemen,

In accordance with your instructions we have considered the points raised on the discussion of our report to you on the subject of a Sale of the Estate under the Land Act of 1903.

We have caused an examination to be made of Mr. N. J. Murphy's holding at Manimore, and we have been advised that the entire of the holding ~~East~~ West of the Bog Lane is suitable for quarrying purposes but that the portion East of it is not suitable. We therefore recommend

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recommend that the latter portion be included in the proposed Sale.

Mr. Joseph W. Moore has been interviewed regarding his holding at Newfoundwell, which we have recommended should be retained for building purposes. He has undertaken to build cottages on the Dreden Street frontage provided he is granted a building lease of so much of the holding as is required for the cottages and that the remainder of the holding be included in the proposed sale, and we accordingly recommend ~~that~~ the inclusion of the portion not required for building in the schedule of lands proposed to be sold.

Some misconception seems to exist regarding Mrs. Greene's holding "Shamrock Lodge" and Mr. Patrick Carroll's holding "Watson Lodge". Our intention is that these tenants in buying their holdings shall have a rent fixed upon their dwellings as well as upon the lands and therefore no loss to the Corporation will accrue as the result of a sale, we do not look upon them as "Residential Holdings".

Land Purchase ✓ We have had submitted to us applications from middlemen to reconsider the question of a sale to them, but we can see no reason to alter our opinion. True it is that these middlemen set their lands upon the "Eleven Months System", but they are none the less middlemen since they do not reside upon or near their holdings, and a sale to them would but constitute another landlord to take the place of the Corporation. We are not in favour of selling to any but occupying tenants.

Mr. John Finegan's holding on the North Road has, in compliance with your instructions, been included amongst the holdings proposed to be sold.

The addition to the schedule of the portions of Messrs. Murphy, Moore and Finegan's holdings referred to brings the rents up to, roundly £1650, and a sale of this rent would work out as follows:—

24½ year's purchase of £1650,	40,425	
Add 12% for Bonus,	4,851	45,276.
Deduct 5% for expenses &c of sale		2,263
		£43,013.

which invested at 3½% interest would yield £1,505 - a loss of £145. or a net annual loss, after allowing for costs and expenses of collection of £45.

An explanation of the assumed rental upon which a sale would take place, and which we say would be roundly £2000

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£2000 appears to be necessary: At present the Corporation receive the sum of say £650 from the holdings set out in the schedule, a large majority of them are held under leases which, in the ordinary course of events would be gradually terminating and the present small rents would be replaced by the "Fair Rent" of each holding which would represent a considerable increase in revenue. To take an illustration of one non-judicial holding:— the Corporation at present receive a rent of £8.5.4 while the middleman receives from the tenant £51.14.0, so that on the expiration of the lease the Corporation's income will probably be five times as great as it now is. Or again, take a holding upon which a Second Term rent has been fixed— the middleman pays the Corporation £22:1:6 but the tenant pays the middleman £41.11.2.

Dated 11th September 1907. W. J. Heffington Chairman.

Disqualification of Alderman Gerald Daly ✓

Read, a letter from Patrick Tallan Solicitor, to the effect that in his opinion Alderman Daly was not disqualified as a member of the Corporation, as he was not and had not been interested in any contract with the Corporation.

Mr. Tallan attended and addressed the Council in support of his letter, and stated he was instructed to say & was prepared to prove that alderman Daly was not in any way connected with the firm of Bernard Daly & Son.

No order made.

Clinton Holding at Killineer ✓

Read, a letter from Joseph T. Dolan, secretary to the South Louth Executive of the United Irish League requesting the Corporation to bring about a settlement in the case of the clinton holding at Killineer.

Proposed by alderman Keeley, Councillor Matthews seconding, and carried, that the Town Clerk do furnish Mr. Dolan with a statement of the circumstances of the case.

Loan £15,000.

Communication from the Local Government Board read, sanctioning the borrowing of £15,024.7.4 for

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Loan of £15,000 for Cottages sanctioned ✓

for the building of Cottages for the Working Classes, repayable in sixty years.

Ordered that the Town Clerk do make application to the Bank of Ireland to advance the amount sanctioned on Mortgage at four per cent interest.

Marsh Mill Lease. No condition as to new machinery ✓

Letter read from the Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co. Ltd. agreeing to the terms of the new lease of the Marsh Mill Premises, but not to it being made a condition that new machinery shall be put into the mill.

Ordered that the draft Lease be prepared accordingly.

Houses Green Lanes. Repairs.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to at once have the windows repaired of a house in Green Lanes occupied by Fallaroy.

Mill Row paving

The Borough Surveyor was further directed to have the paving of Mill Row repaired.

Footpath in Hand Street— Mary Owens case

Letter from Patrick Tallan Solicitor, read, enquiring what the Council intended doing in regard to the footpath in front of Mary Owens' house in Hand Street.

The Town Clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Tallan of the circumstances of the case.

Painting at Gas Works.

Return of the amount spent on Painting for the past year at the Gas Works, by skilled and unskilled labour read.

No order made.

Resignation of Councillor Hughes ✓

Communication from Councillor Hughes, tendering his resignation as a member of the Council, read.

The Resignation was accepted on the motion of alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan.

List of arrears and Lost Rates

The Council approved of the Rate Collector's lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for the ~~half~~ year ending 31st March, amounting to £145.0.02 and £177.16.1, respectively.

Condolence

A vote of condolence with alderman Curran, on the death of his

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his father was unanimously passed on the motion of Alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor J. Callan.

Petroleum acts

The Town Clerk submitted a communication from Dublin Castle on the subject of the Petroleum Acts. He was directed to report on the matter.

W. J. O'Reffington Chairman.

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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the second day of October 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P. O'Kieley, L. J. Elcock and G. Daly.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, P. Lyons, P. Gorman, D. Branigan, J. J. Callan, P. Lynch, B. Matthews, P. J. Fulham, P. Drew, W. J. O'Reffington (Mayor) and J. O'Kelly.

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of meeting held on 18th September were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £44 . 1 . 2 examined and approved.

Payments

Treasurer's authority for making Payments out of the Borough Fund to the amount of £535 . 19 . 1, and out of the Public Library Account to the amount of £4 . 7 . 5, examined and approved.

Return of Receipts

Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 30th September, amounting to £1648 . 8 . 9 submitted and approved.

The following letter was read:—

West Street, Drogheda, 30th Sept. 1907.

Condolence letter of thanks from Alderman Curran.

Dear Mr. Connolly,

I am duply grateful to the members of the Corporation for the Vote of Condolence passed by them to myself and the members of my family in the death of my late lamented father, and I beg to thank you for the kindly terms in which it was conveyed.

I remain, yours faithfully,

D. D. Connolly Esq Town Clerk. John J. Curran.

Report from Borough Treasurer read, intimating that he

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4 & 5 Laurence Street
Application of J. F. Smyth for lease of.

he had taken up possession of the premises Nos. four and five Laurence Street the Lease of which had expired.

An application for renewal of Lease of these premises from Mr. John F. Smyth was also read.

Ordered that the matter be referred to the Estate Committee.

Meetings.

Read, a Report of the Town Clerk on the subject of the system of holding meetings of the Council and its Committees.

Agreed that the consideration of the matter be deferred till the new Committees for the ensuing year are being formed.

Price of Gas reduced to 3/9 per 1000 cubic feet.

Report read from the Gas and Water Committee intimating that the price of gas for lighting purposes would be reduced from 4/2 to 3/9 per 1000 cubic feet as from the 25th September.

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Downey seconded by Alderman Keeley.

Leases to Bernard McDonnell, Edward Clifford and Dr. Parr.
Premises 24 Shop Street not be divided.

Report of Estate Committee read, recommending the approval of draft Leases and the execution of the engrossments unto Messrs. Bernard McDonnell, Edward Clifford and Dr. Parry, and that the premises No. 24 Shop Street be again advertised for letting and not partially set to Mr Peter McNamara.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Lynch.

Land Purchase.
Reply of Tenants to offer of the Corporation.

Read, a letter from Mr. N. J. Murphy as follows:—

Hill of Rath, Drogheda, 29th Septr. 1907.

Dear Sir,

The tenants of the Drogheda Corporation fully considered the terms set out in the reports of the Corporation Committee, re Land Purchase, enclosed in your letter to me of the 19th September 1907. They have agreed to purchase on the following terms:—

(1.) 23½ years purchase of second term rents.
(2.) That the Corporation sell to all the tenants it can under the Land Purchase Act of 1903.
(3.) That 3½% interest be paid on the purchase money in lieu of rent from the date of the signing of agreements until the purchase money is advanced to the Corporation by the Estates Commissioners.

(4.)

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(4.) That a half years rent be wiped out.
(5.) That the Tenants Committee discuss with the Corporation the other terms of the reports.
(6.) That all Evicted Tenants on the Estate be restored to their holdings.

I may add the Tenants Committee are willing to meet the members of the Corporation on the earliest date that may suit its members.

I remain, Dear Sir, Yours truly,
J. B. Connolly Esq Town Clerk. N. J. Murphy.

On the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Alderman Downey, it was unanimously Resolved to adhere to the terms of the Reports of the Land Purchase Committee.

"Clinton Holding"
Resolution of U.I.L.

Communication read from the Secretary Drogheda Branch United Irish League forwarding copy of a resolution passed by that body relating to the Clinton holding at Killinaer.

The Town Clerk having read copy of his letter to the Secretary of the South Louth Executive on the subject no order was made.

Rate Collection.
date extended.

The Rate Collector applied for and was granted an extention of one month to the 31st October to close his collection in respect of the half year ending 30th September.

Premises Dublin Road.
Convent of Mercy apply for lease or sale.

Application read from the Reverend mother Convent of Mercy Drogheda for a new lease or a sale to her community of premises on the Dublin Road.

Ordered that the matter be referred to the Estate Committee.

Rates of Interest on Government loans

Circular Letter from the Local Government Board on the subject of the Rates of Interest on Local Loans, submitted.

No order made.

Catholic University Education.
Conference.

In response to a circular from the County Council of Kerry the mayor and Councillor J. J. Callan were nominated as delegates to attend a Conference in Dublin on the subject of University Education for Catholics.

Circular Letter from the Local Government Board

Submitted

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Provisional Order Procedure.

submitted, relating to the procedure in regard to the obtaining of Provisional Orders.

No order made.

"Glenaheiry Explosion"

A Resolution of the Drogheda Branch of the United Irish League calling for a Public Enquiry into the "Glenaheiry Explosion" was read and adopted.

Repairs to Mayoralty House. Tenders. ✓

Seven Tenders were submitted for repairs to the Mayoralty House. That of Herbert Henly West Street, £82.10.0, was the lowest and was accordingly accepted.

Painting of Market Collector's House. Tenders.

Of four Tenders submitted for painting work in the Market Collector's house, the two lowest being equal lots were drawn and Matthew Cooney Lawrence St. was declared Contractor at the sum of £5/5/-

Horse Feeding Tender.

But one Tender was submitted for Horse Feeding, being that of Mrs. M. A. Fallan James Street.

The tender was accepted, the prices being:— Best White Oats whole 13/- per brl., best crushed do. 13/6 per brl., best bran 10d per stone, best white do 1/- per stone, best salt 3d per stone.

Return of attendances

Ordered that a Return of the attendances of members up to the 1st December be prepared.

Leases to

Three Leases were executed and sealed as follows:—

Thomas Parr ✓

Lease unto Thomas Parr M. S. of premises on the South side of Lawrence Street for 31 years from the 25th march 1907 at the yearly rent of £33. Covenant to insure in £800.

Bernard McDonnell ✓

Lease unto Bernard McDonnell, Builder, Bull Ring, of premises on the East side of the Bull Ring for 75 years from the 25th march 1907 at the yearly rent of £8. Covenants to expend £100— in building and to insure in £500.

Edward Clifford ✓

Lease unto Edward Clifford of West Street, Merchant, of premises on the North side of West Street for 31 years from the

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the 25th march 1907 at the yearly rent of £20. Covenants to expend £30 in repairs and to insure in £500.

W. J. Skeffington Chairman

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House, Drogheda at the hour of 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 16th day of October 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:—J. Downey, P.O. Kelly, B. Collins, L.J. Elcock and T. Daly.

Councillors:—J. Dolan, L. Moore, P. Gorman, P. Lyons, J.J. Callan, L. Branigan, B. Matthews, P. Lynch, P.J. Fulham, W.T. Heffington, (Mayor) L. Jordan and J. O'Kelly.

In the Chair—His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages amounting to £11-13-9 examined and approved.

Additional loose horse box. Report read from J.J. Burke, acting Borough Surveyor, suggesting the providing of an additional loose horse box.

A Committee consisting of the mayor, and Councillors-Lyons, Jordan, Lynch and Branigan was appointed to enquire into and report upon the matter.

Report of Estate Committee, as follows, read:

Gentlemen,

Premises 4+5 Lawrence St. not to be leased to J.J. Smyth but advertised for letting. ✓

We have had under consideration Mr. J.J. Smyth's application for a renewal of lease of premises Nos. 4+5 Lawrence Street. Mr Smyth is not, and has not been, in occupation of these premises, and in the circumstances we see no other course open to us but to recommend that in keeping with the principle established by the Council that these premises be not set to a middleman. As the premises are at present vacant we suggest that proposals for leases for 31 years, which we should be empowered to deal with, be invited by public advertisement and with that view

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view we have instructed the Borough Surveyor to prepare a report for your next meeting upon the condition of the buildings—together with a specification for the carrying out of such repairs as he may consider necessary.

Land at the Crushrod Lane to be advertised. We similarly recommend the inviting of proposals for a letting of the land at Crushrod Lane not required for the manure depot.

Dated 14th October 1907. W.T. Heffington, Chairman.

The Report of the Borough Surveyor setting out the nature and extent of the repairs that are necessary, having been also read, both reports were adopted on the motion of Councillor Gorman, Councillor Branigan seconding.

Land Purchase Letter read from M.J. Murphy with regard to words used by Alderman Downey in relation to Land Purchase.

Alderman Downey having made a Statement the matter was considered disposed of.

Additional Lamp An application from Thomas Daly Shop Street for an additional lamp to be erected in Sackelons Lane, was read and ordered to be referred to the Streets and Supplies Committee.

Granite Setts to be laid at Swan Yard entrance. On the application of James McQuillan Tullyesker it was decided that the entrance to the 'Swan Yard' in Georges Street should be laid with granite setts.

O'Gorman Holding. Letter read from Thomas O'Gorman, Fair Green, Dundalk, thanking the Council for remarks made at its last meeting regarding a holding from which he had been evicted. No order made.

Delegates to Limerick Industrial Conference The Mayor and Alderman Elcock were selected as delegates to represent the Corporation at the third annual conference of the Limerick Industrial Association.

Mayoralty House repairs. ✓ It was unanimously agreed that the carrying out of the repairs to the Mayoralty House by the Contractor, Mr. H. Henly, should not be commenced until the winter season had passed, and that the Agreement and Bond required by the Specification should be dispensed with.

W.T. Heffington Chairman.

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November 6th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 6th day of November 1907.

Present.

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P.P. Kelley and L.J. Elcock.

Councillors.- J. Dolan, L. Moore, P. Gorman, P. Lynch, B. Matthews, P.J. Tulham, P. Drew, W.T. Shiffington (Mayor), and S. Jordan.

In the Chair- His Worship the mayor.

The Notice Convening the meeting was read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages amounting to £45.4.3, examined and approved.

Payments. Authority for making Payments, amounting to £507.5.7 Borough Fund, and £9.7.10, Public Library, examined and approved.

Return of Receipts. Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st October, amounting to £1970.11.9, submitted.

Boundary wall at Poorhouse Lane. Read and ordered to be referred to the Streets and Supplies Committee, a Report from the Borough Surveyor on the state of the boundary wall of the Poorhouse Lane.

Report read from Estate Committee as follows:-

Gentlemen,

As recommended in our previous Report the houses Nos. 4 & 5 St. Laurence Street and the field at the Crushrod Lane have been advertised for letting.

There was but one proposal received for each of the houses in Laurence Street and two proposals for the field at the Crushrod Lane. We have set the latter to Mr. Patrick Cummins Kellys Lane at £3:5:0 per Irish Acre, the letting to

Field at Crushrod Lane let to Mr. Patrick Thomas Cummins. ✓

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to be terminable on six months notice, and we have let the house No. 5 Laurence Street to messrs. Thomas Gerrard & Co., Solicitors, at their offer of £20 per annum rent and to expend the sum of £50- in repairs, your solicitor has the preparation of the lease in hands.

Premises No. 5 Laurence Street let to Mr. Gerrard. ✓

We have not made any letting of No. 4 Laurence Street as we do not consider the offer received was one that should be accepted.

Dated 28th October 1907. W.T. Shiffington Chairman

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Drew seconded by Councillor Gorman subject to the letting to Cummins being at £3- per acre (I) he to pay all rates and taxes.

Mayoralty House Repairs. ✓ Read and approved, a letter from H. Henley, Contractor, consenting to hold back until May next the carrying out of the repairs to the Mayoralty House on the understanding that no Contract and Bond would be required.

Lease for 99 years to Thomas Brady. ✓ Communication from the Local Government Board, read, assenting to the granting of a Lease for 99 years to Mr. Thomas Brady of premises in Shop Street.

Audit notification A Communication from J.A. Reddy, Local Government Auditor, intimating his intention to commence the audit of the accounts for the past financial year, on the 15th Inst. was read.

Local Government Board. working ✓ A Resolution of the Lismore Rural Council on the subject of the working of the Local Government Board, was read and adopted.

Advertisement Regulation Act. Circular Letter from the Local Government Board read, forwarding copy of the Advertisements Regulation Act 1907.

Ordered that the matter be referred to the Bye Laws Committee.

Oil suits of Irish Manufacture ✓ The Town Clerk submitted correspondence relating to the obtaining of oil suits of Irish manufacture for the workmen, and also a sample suit from J.J. Meehan, Cork. It was unanimously

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unanimously agreed to order 25 suits from Mr. Meehan at the price quoted by him - 11/6 per complete suit.

Old Jail proms. Scarlet Street. Lease of. ✓

The Seal of the Corporation was affixed to a Lease from the County Council of Louth unto the Corporation of premises on the North side of Scarlet Street known as the "Old Jail" for 100 years from the 1st January 1908 at the yearly rent of one shilling.

W. J. Skeffington Chairman

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November 20th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at noon on Wednesday the 20th day of November 1907.

Present:

Aldermen:- P. P. Kealey and J. J. Curran.
Councillors:- L. Moore, P. Lyons, P. Gorman, J. J. Callan, P. Matthews, P. J. Fulham, W. J. Skeffington (Mayor) and C. Jordan.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £54.3.3, examined and approved.

Clinton Holding ✓ — Letter read from Joseph J. Dolan, Secretary South Louth Executive, U.I.L., on the subject of the "Clinton" Holding at Killineer.

The Town Clerk submitted a letter in reply which was approved on the motion of Councillor Fulham, Councillor J. J. Callan seconding.

Evicted Tenants in Ardee and Drogheda. Restoration. — On the motion of Councillor Jordan, seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan, it was unanimously Resolved: "That the Secretary of the South Louth Executive of the United Irish League be requested to call a meeting of the nationalists of the districts of Ardee and Drogheda for the purpose of considering what steps should be taken to have restored to their holdings all evicted tenants in these districts claiming to be reinstated under the Land Act of 1903.

Mud Cart Tender for. ✓ — Two Tenders were submitted for the supplying of a mud Cart.

The cheaper, that of Thomas Morgan, Yellowalter, £21.15.0, was accepted.

W. J. Skeffington Chairman

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December 4th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 4th day of December 1907.

Present.

Alderman:- P.P. Keeley, L.J. Elcock and J.J. Curran.
Councillors:- P. Forman, J.J. Callan, P. Lynch, B. Matthews, C.J. Fulham, T. Callan, W.J. Heffington (Mayor) and S. Jordan.

In the Chair- His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages amounting to £54.10.4 examined and approved.

Payments. Payments out of the Borough Fund to the amount of £162.11.2 and out of the Public Library Account to the amount of £3.14.0, ordered, 18/- of a reduction in the S.I. Officer's salary being approved.

Return of Receipts. Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 30th November 907, amounting to £392.6.7, submitted.

Fines for breaches of Market Bye Laws. Report of Market Collector read, giving a list of persons who had been fined for breaches of the Market Bye Laws.

Return of attendances. The Town Clerk submitted a Return of Attendances of Members which was ordered to be published in all the local papers.

John Clarke. Land Windmill Lane. Letter from John Clarke relating to a Land on the East side of the Windmill Lane read and ordered to be referred to the Estate Committee.

Thomas O'Gorman's Evicted holding. Letter read from Thomas O'Gorman Dundalk on the

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subject of a holding from which he had been evicted.

Lamp at Cottage Hospital. application for

Read and ordered to be referred to the Streets and Supplies Committee, two letters from the Hon. Secs. of the Cottage Hospital requesting the erection of a lamp and the making of a footpath at the Hospital.

Lamp Scholes Lane application for.

A Memorial from residents of West Street praying for the erection of a lamp in Scholes Lane was read and ordered to be referred to the Streets and Supplies Committee.

Housing Mr. J.J. Clancy's Scheme approved.

The following Resolution as forwarded by the Blackrock Urban Council was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Gorman, Councillor Matthews seconding:-

Resolved:- "That this Council, having considered the proposal recently made by Mr. J.J. Clancy, K.C., M.P., for financing a comprehensive scheme of housing for the cities and towns of Ireland, hereby approves of those proposals as being both practicable and adequate without involving any injustice to anyone or to any interest, and we earnestly urge their acceptance on the Government.

Public Library Committee authorized to expend money on new Books.

Arising out of some correspondence from the Public Library Committee it was unanimously agreed on the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor Lynch, to consent to the Committee expending on the purchase of new books, the credit balance that had been earmarked for the payment of the costs of the action- Cully v Corporation.

Tenders for straw.

Five Tenders were submitted for the supply of ten tons of straw.

It was decided to accept the tender of John Dillon of Staleen, Donore, on the understanding that he would supply 5 tons of wheaten straw and 5 tons of oaten straw at 1/5 per cwt.

W.J. Heffington Chairman

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House at noon on Wednesday the 18th day of December 1907.

Present.

Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley, L.J. Elcock, B. Collins, J.J. Curran.
Councillors:- L. Moore, P. Gorman, J.J. Callan, P.J. Fulham, W.J. Keffington (Mayor) and J.D. Kelly.

In the Chair- His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £13.6.9 examined and approved.

New Lamps at Shop Street.

Report read from aldermen Keeley, Curran, and Elcock recommending:-

That the lamp in Shop Street at L.J. Branigan's be placed nearer to the Bridge.

Priests Lane / Crooked Street

That a gas lamp be erected in the bend of Priests Lane and an oil lamp at its end in Crooked Street.

Platten Road

That an oil lamp be erected on Platten Road opposite Dyanstown Lane.

Dublin Road

That a gas lamps be erected on the Dublin Road at the Railway Bridge and McGrath's Lane if sufficient customers can be obtained to warrant the continuing of the main.

Jolus Gate

That a gas lamp be erected at Woods Court Jolus Gate.

That an oil lamp be erected at Mell opposite Mr. Clarke's.

Cottage Hospital ✓

That a gas lamp be erected at the Cottage Hospital Gate.

The Report was adopted.

Officers Clothing

On their several applications it was agreed to supply the mace Bearer, Car Inspector, and Watchmen with clothing, tenders to be invited for same.

Repairing of Dog Lane / Free loads of stone from Killineer Quarry

Ordered that the Borough Surveyor do give free of charge for the repairing of the Dog Lane some loads of broken stone from Killineer quarry.

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Contribution to Distress Committee

Application from the Honorary Secretary Distress Committee, read, for a contribution of £50 towards the funds of the Committee.

Ordered that the application be acceded to.

Pocket Guides Proposal of E.J. Burrow.

The Town Clerk submitted some correspondence from Edward J. Burrow Cheltenham in relation to the publication of a series of Borough Pocket Guids and the Council expressed their approval of the scheme and of the inclusion of a guide of Drogheda in the series.

Thanks from International Exhibition.

Letter of thanks to the Council from the Secretary Historical Section International Exhibition, ~~read~~ for the loan of the Mace and Silver Cups, read.

Unemployed Workmen

A Resolution of the Tottenham Urban District Council on the subject of Unemployed Workmen was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Gorman seconded by Alderman Elcock.

Mullingar Kells and Drogheda Railway. ✓

The Town Clerk submitted Parliamentary notices in connection with a new Mullingar Kells and Drogheda Railway Bill.

Ordered that the Council be returned as Assenting in respect of the Bill.

Tuberculosis Exhibition

The Mayor brought the matter of the Tuberculosis Exhibition under the notice of the Council and it was understood that he would invite the Exhibition to Drogheda

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January 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at noon on Friday the 3rd day of January 1908.

Present.

Aldermen:- P.P. Kelly and L.J. Elcock.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, P. Lyons, J.J. Callan, P.J. Fulham, T. Callan, W.J. Skeffington (Mayor) J. Jordan and J. L. Kelly.

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £61.18.10 for week ending 24th Decr. and £42.18.3 for week ending 31st December examined and approved.

Payments — Payments out of the Borough Fund to the amount of £480.4.6 and out of the Public Library account to the amount of £6.1.6, passed.

Return of Receipts — Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for month ending 31st December, amounting to £668.19.1 submitted.

Land Purchase — Letter read from W.J. Murphy, intimating that the land tenants of the Corporation desired to meet the Land Purchase Committee to discuss the question of Land Purchase.

The Town Clerk was instructed to say that the Committee could only consider an amended offer from the tenants if so directed by the Council.

Drogheda, Cavan and Leitrim Railway Scheme — The Town Clerk submitted copy of the proposed Drogheda, Cavan and Leitrim Railway Scheme and copy of the circular letter of the Drogheda Development Association in connection therewith, and explained that copies had been sent to each member

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member of the Council. The documents were therefore taken as read.

Several members of the Council having expressed their approval of the Scheme it was proposed by Councillor Dolan, seconded by Councillor T. Callan and Resolved unanimously:- "That this Council is unanimously agreed upon the urgent necessity existing for connecting the Port of Drogheda by rail with the interior country and, subject to future independent enquiries which would confirm the feasibility and financial features of the proposal put forward by the Drogheda Development Association to connect this port in the Counties of Cavan and Leitrim, we approve of the proposal."

Scheme approved.

Construction of Railways. Powers of Local Authorities. — Alderman Elcock moved, Alderman Kelly seconding, and it was Resolved unanimously:- "That this Council is unanimously agreed upon the advisability of having powers conferred upon County Councils and Municipal Authorities enabling such bodies to initiate and undertake the construction of Railways within their administrative areas, and to enable two or more of such bodies to act jointly where in the public interest it is desirable to extend the railway system beyond the limits controlled by one Authority; and we call upon the Irish Parliamentary Party to urge upon the Government the necessity for extending the powers under the Local Government Act to enable such works to be undertaken and to provide against costly preliminary expense in securing sanction to individual schemes."

W.J. Skeffington

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Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at noon on Thursday the 23rd day of January 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P. P. Keeley, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Maginn and J. J. Curran.

Councillors:- P. Lyons, J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Sheilds, F. Byrne, J. Callaghan, W. Murray, P. Lynch, T. Callan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, W. T. Skeffington (Mayor), E. W. McArdle, S. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan, and J. Clarke (24)

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to ~~£[illegible] for week ending 7th December~~ £50 " 19 " 2 for week ending ~~14th December~~ 14th January 1908 and £52 " 4 " 8 for week ending ~~21st December~~ 21st January 1908 examined and approved.

Election of mayor

The Mayor proposed, Councillor T. Callan seconding, that Councillor P. Drew be elected Mayor of Drogheda for the year 1908-9.

Councillor Drew elected. ✓

Councillor Carter proposed and Councillor Shields seconded that Alderman McCullough be elected.

On a Division there voted for:

Drew	McCullough
Aldermen:- Downey, Keeley, Elcock, Curran.	Aldermen:- Maginn.
Councillors:- Lyons, Dolan, Moore, J. J. Callan, Lynch, T. Callan, Matthews, The Mayor, Jordan & McQuillan. (14)	Councillors:- Shields, Byrne, Callaghan, Murray, Carter, McArdle & Clarke (8)

Alderman McCullough and Councillor Drew did not vote.

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The Chairman thereupon declared Councillor Drew elected. Councillor Drew then made the Declaration of acceptance of Office and having also taken the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath appertaining to the Office of Justice of the Peace was invested with the Chain of Office by the outgoing Mayor and thereupon took the Chair.

Drogheda, Cavan and Leitrim Railway. Deputation to Mr. J. E. Redmond ✓

On the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Alderman Elcock a Deputation consisting of the mayor, and Councillors Skeffington and Lynch was appointed to wait on Mr. J. E. Redmond in conjunction with the Drogheda Development association in relation to the Drogheda Cavan and Leitrim Railway scheme.

Adjournment

The Meeting was then adjourned to the 29th January, on the motion of Councillor Skeffington seconded by Councillor Dolan.

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Minutes of an adjourned Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 29th day of January 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P.P. Keeley, T. McCullough, L.J. Elcock, J.J. Maginn, and J.J. Curran.

Councillors:- P. Lyons, J. Dolan, L. Moore, J.J. Callan, J. Shields, T. Byrne, W. Murray, P. Lynch, T. Callan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew (Mayor) W.T. Keffington, E.W. McArdle, and S. Jordan (21).

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £56.18.1 examined and approved.

Record of attendances to be kept. — On the motion of Councillor Keffington, seconded by Councillor Moore it was Resolved:-
That in future a Record of the attendances at all Committee Meetings be kept.

Committees for 1908-9. — After considerable discussion it was Resolved, on the motion of Councillor Keffington, seconded by Councillor J.J. Callan,- Aldermen Keeley and Curran and Councillor Jordan dissenting- that all the existing Committees, save the Technical Instruction Committee and the Public Library Committee, shall consist of the whole Council; that the members of the existing Technical Instruction Committee be re-appointed with the exception that Alderman McCullough shall replace the late Alderman, now Mr., Daly; and that the Public Library Committee shall consist of the whole Council together with the gentlemen previously appointed outside the Council.

Communication

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Evicted Tenants — Communication read from Evicted Tenants of Ruxton Estate Ardee on the subject of reinstatement to their holdings. No order made.

Oil suits for Carters — Ordered that the Carters be supplied with oil coats.

Tenders for Officers clothing — It was decided to re-advertise for tenders for the Officers clothing since there was not any tender that had complied with the necessary conditions.

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February 5th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at noon on Wednesday the 5th day of February 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- P.P. Kerley, T. McCullough, L.J. Elcock, J.J. Maginn, and J.J. Curran.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, J.J. Callan, J. Sheilds, T. Byrne, W. Murray, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew (Mayor), W.T. Heffington, E.W. McArdle, T.V. McQuillan, and J. Clarke. (18)

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £51.5.7 examined and approved.

Payments — Payments ordered out of the Borough Fund to the amount of £576.6.11, and out of the Public Library account to the amount of £9.8.0.

Return of Receipts — Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st January 1908, amounting to £783.2.10, submitted.

Re-arrangement of Wards — Read, a letter from the Local Government Board enclosing documents in the handwriting of Joseph McCarthy, relative to a re-arrangement of Wards.

The Town Clerk was directed to again point out that communications from McCarthy were not worthy of consideration.

Auditor's Report — Further communication from the Board read, enclosing copy of the Report of their Auditor upon his audit of the accounts for the year ending the 31st 31st

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31st day of March 1907, together with attested Abstracts of the Accounts.

Ordered that the Report and Abstracts be printed and circulated amongst the members of the Council and that the several recommendations be acted upon.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 19th day of February 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- P. O. Keeley, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, and J. J. Maginn.

Councillors:- L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Sheilds, T. Byrne, W. Murray, P. Lynch, T. Callan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, (Mayor) W. J. Skeffington, E. W. McArdle, S. Jordan, T. V. McGuillan, H. Clarke.

In the Chair- His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages, amounting to £11. 13. 10 examined and approved.

Technical School committee appointed to confer with Tech. Instruction Committee ✓

Arising out of a letter from the Head Master Technical Schools a Committee consisting of Alderman Elcock, Maginn, and Councillors McGuillan, McArdle, Jordan and Skeffington, with the Town Clerk, was appointed to confer with the local Technical Instruction Committee upon the subject of the present position of the Drogheda Technical School.

Land Purchase ✓

Read, a letter from T. J. Murphy, Hill of Rath, requesting the Council to receive a Deputation from the Land Tenants on the subject of Land Purchase

Councillor McArdle proposed, Councillor Carter seconding, that the request be acceded to.

Councillor Skeffington proposed as an amendment which was seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan, that Mr. Murphy be referred to the Town Clerks letter of the 3rd January, requesting the tenants to make an amended

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amended offer.

On a Division there voted:-

For the amendment: Aldermen:- Keeley, Elcock, Maginn,
Councillors:- Moore, J. J. Callan, Sheilds, Lynch, Matthews, Skeffington, Jordan and McGuillan (11)

For the Resolution: Aldermen:- McCullough
Councillors:- Byrne, Murray, T. Callan, Carter, McArdle and Clarke (7)

Councillor Dolan and the mayor did not vote and the amendment was accordingly declared carried.

Irish Education Act 1892. adoption of act ✓

Pursuant to Notice of Motion alderman Elcock moved:- "That the Municipal Council do adopt the provisions of the Irish Education Act 1892, and that for the purpose of carrying the same into effect a Committee which shall consist of Ten members shall be appointed.

"That the Town Clerk be and is hereby directed to take such steps as may be necessary to give effect to this resolution"

Councillor J. J. Callan having seconded the motion the same was put and declared unanimously carried.

Publication of Accounts.

Alderman Keeley moved, pursuant to Notice of Motion and Councillor Skeffington seconded:- "That we call upon the L.G.B., in the interests of the Ratepayers, to revoke that portion of the Public Bodies Order, 1904, prohibiting the advertising of the accounts of the Public Bodies in Ireland, (a) as we are of opinion the Ratepayers are entitled, through the medium of the Press, to be in a position to scrutinise the said accounts without being called upon to pay, as at present, for a copy of same; and (b) the ratepayers would take a Keener interest in these accounts if published in the same manner as they were previous to their prohibition by the Public Bodies Order.

"That copies of this Resolution be sent to all the Public Bodies in Ireland affected by said Order; Mr. John Redmond M.P., Mr. J. Nolan M.P. and to the Chief Secretary for Ireland.

Motion put and carried unanimously.

Patrick Drew
Chairman

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 4th day of March 1908.

Present.

Aldermen:- P.P. Kieley, T. McCullough, and J.J. Maginn.
Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, J.J. Callan, J. Sheilds, L. Byrne, W. Murray, P. Lynch, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, (Mayor) W.T. Heffington, L. Jordan, T.V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

In the Chair- His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £39.11.8 examined and approved.

Payments — Borough Fund Payments to the amount of £151.0.11. and Public Library Payments amounting to £11.10.3, examined and approved.

Return of Receipts. — Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 29th February, amounting to £767.12.8, read and approved.

Footpath Gallows Lane — Report of Borough Surveyor, giving the cost of making a footpath in Gallows Lane as £35.0.0, read, and ordered that provision for this work be made in the next estimate.

Report of Law and Finance Committee, as follows, read:

Gentlemen,

We have had under consideration the question of the security

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security of the Rate Collector, and we caused it to be intimated to that officer that we did not consider his existing sureties sufficient. Mr. McCann in consequence submitted as an additional surety the name of Mr. Matthew McCann of Ballinacrad, which we approved of, and we accordingly directed the Collector to have a new bond prepared.

Sureties of Rate Collector ✓

Smyth v Corporation appeal. ✓ — Acting on the advice of your Solicitor we have directed him to appeal against the decision of the County Court Judge in the action – Smyth v Corporation.

Gas Works Manager allowed to give personal security ✓ — The Manager of the Gas Works Department cannot give the security of an Insurance Co. until his accounts have first been audited by the Local Government auditor and in the circumstances we have directed this officer to give personal security until such audit.

Dated 19th February 1908. Patrick Drew Chairman

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Heffington seconded by Councillor Matthews.

Work of Distress Committee ✓ — Report read from the Mayor and Councillors Jordan & Heffington stating that they had visited the quarry and Rosehall and Barnattin Reservoirs in connection with the Unemployed Fund, and were of opinion that the Plant in Rosehall should be removed to the Quarry to clean off the face of the rock and open up the quarry as at Barnattin the water was rising & the bank too soft; that the manner in which the work at Barnattin, at Rosehall, and at the quarry, had been carried out under Mr. Lennon's supervision was most satisfactory and was a good return for the outlay.

On the motion of Councillor J.J. Callan seconded by Councillor Lynch the report was adopted and Mr. Lennon was ordered to take over entire control of and in future to work and be responsible for the quarry.

Loan of £15,000. ✓ — Ordered that the Solicitor to the Corporation be once more written to drawing his attention to the matter of the application to the Board of Works for a Loan of £15,000. for Cottages.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 18th day of March 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- P. Kelly, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Magirr and J. J. Curran

Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, T. Byrne, W. Murray, P. Lynch, T. Callan, D. Matthews, P. Drew (Mayor), W. T. Heffington, E. W. McArdle and J. Clarke.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £37:6:7 examined and approved, Borough Fund, and £6.13.0 Waterworks Department.

Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill — Councillor Heffington moved, Alderman Elcock seconding:— "That we the Corporation of Drogheda having carefully examined the provisions of the Bill entitled "the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill" which has been introduced in the House of Commons by the Irish Parliamentary Party, believe that if passed into law it will enable the Public Bodies throughout Ireland to erect spacious and sanitary dwellings for the working classes, and remove the many filthy and unsuitable hovels in which a large portion of our People are compelled to dwell; and as we are fully convinced that the high death rate in Ireland is largely due to the wretched housing accomodation provided for the working classes we call upon the Government to give a speedy passage to the Bill, the second reading of which will be moved on the 24th March 1908, and thus enable Corporations and Urban Councils

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Councils to provide at reasonable rents suitable and commodious dwellings for the workers in Cities and Towns.

That a copy of this Resolution be sent to John E. Redmond M.P., Jos. Nolan. M.P., The Rt Hon. Sir. H. Campbell-Bannerman M.P. The Rt. Hon. John Burns M.P. The Rt. Hon. A. H. Asquith M.P., The Rt. Hon. The Chief Secretary, the Attorney General, and the Solicitor General for Ireland.

Motion put and carried unanimously.

Report read from Estate Committee as follows:

Gentlemen,

"Penal" Rent refund to John Dolan. ✓ — Mr. John Dolan has made application for a refund of the Penal Rent paid by him for one year in respect of his premises at Sunday Gate, on the ground that the covenant to build was reasonably complied with and £200 more than the stipulated amount expended on building. We have made enquiries into the matter and had it brought under the notice of the auditor and we recommend that a refund be made.

Assignment to John Brogan and power to Mortgage. ✓ — Mr. M. J. Kieran, Solicitor, has made application for consent to an assignment to Mr. John Brogan of holding at Bryanstown from his mother, the late Mrs. Anne Brogan, and for authority to mortgage the premises to the same extent as in the permission given to Mrs. Brogan. We recommend that you accede to the request.

Thomas Molloy granted lease for 31 years. ✓ — We recommend that Mr. Thomas Molloy be granted a lease of the house and premises No 4 Laurence Street for 31 years from the 25th March next, at a yearly rent of £20, Mr. Molloy to expend the sum of £30 on putting the premises into repair in the manner indicated in the specification of the Borough Surveyor.

Woolsey Jameson & Co. granted Lease for 75 years. ✓ — We had before us a proposition from Messrs Woolsey Jameson and Co. to surrender their interest in the existing lease of premises in Dyer Street which they hold from the Corporation at a rent of £18:19:4 per annum, and to take a new lease instead for a term of 75 years on the understanding that a very large outlay will be made on new buildings on this site and an adjoining one which does not however belong to the Corporation. We recommend that the proposal be accepted and that a new lease be granted for 75 years from the 25th March next at a yearly rent of £20.

Refund of Penal Rent to Thomas Kavanagh refused. — We had before us an application from Mr. T. Kavanagh West Street for a refund of Penal Rent paid by him, but in our opinion this application cannot be entertained.

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Cottage Hospital Rent. ✓

We had also an application before us from the Hon. Secs. of the Drogheda Cottage Hospital in which they ask that the rent which the Council have agreed to lease the site of the Hospital for £5 should be reduced to 5/-. We cannot see our way to comply with the request.

Dated 26th February 1908. Patrick Drew Chairman.

Woolsey Jameson & Co. Lease to £

On the suggestion of Alderman Keeley the following words were added to the portion of the report dealing with the application of Messrs Woolsey Jameson & Co.: "We offered to recommend a lease for 99 years at a rent of £25, but failing its acceptance that the rent should be £30, the offer was not accepted."

The report as ~~adopted~~ amended was adopted on the motion of Councillor O'Heffernan seconded by Alderman McCullough.

County Council Demand.

The Town Clerk submitted the Demand of the County Council of Louth for the ensuing year and the same was ordered to be laid before the Law and Finance Committee.

Collection of Rates

Letter read from the Local Government Board on the subject of the collection of the poor Rate.

Ordered that a copy of the letter be forwarded to the Rate Collector.

Repairs to Mayoralty House. ✓

Communication read from Herbert H. Henley, Contractor, intimating that he would immediately begin the laying of the new floor in the Ball Room, Mayoralty House but suggesting maple flooring instead of pitch pine—the extra cost of which would be £6.— should be used.

It was agreed to accept Mr. Henly's suggestion.

Masserene Evicted Tenants

A Resolution of the Drogheda Board of Guardians, relating to the remaining Evicted Tenants on the Masserene Estate, was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor O'Heffernan seconded by Councillor J. Callan.

Land Purchase. ✓

An amended offer to purchase their holdings under the Land Act of 1903, from the Agricultural Tenants of the Corporation, was read and ordered to be referred to the Land Purchase Committee.

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School Attendance Committee ✓

On the motion of Councillor J. J. Callan, which was seconded by Alderman Curran, the following members of the Council were appointed on the School Attendance Committee under the Irish Education Act 1892:—

His Worship the Mayor. (Councillor Drew)
Alderman L. J. Elcock
" J. McCullough
" O. P. Keeley and
Councillor W. J. O'Heffernan.

to serve from the 1st May 1908 to the 30th April 1911.

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April 1st

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 1st day of April 1908.

Present.

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock and J. J. Maginn

Councillors:- L. Moore, J. J. Callan, C. Lynch, T. Callan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew (Mayor) E. W. Wardle, C. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan, and J. Clarke.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £39:5:11 examined and approved.

Payments — Payments ordered out of the Borough Fund to the amount of £618:1:0, and out of the Public Library account to the amount of £11:17:0.

Return of Receipts — Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st March, amounting to £2472:18:11, submitted.

Librarian. salary increased to £48 — Report read from Public Library Committee intimating that they had increased the salary of the Librarian by £6, to £48 per annum.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

Tenders for Annual Contracts — Report read from Streets and Supplies Committee.

Gentlemen,

We have gone through the various tenders received for the Annual Contracts and we recommend that the following be accepted:-

Printing and Stationery: Drogheda Argus Office.

Advertising: To be given equally to the 3 printing Offices

Lime:

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Lime: Charles Sillery Platten (@ 1/- per barrel).

Disinfectants (except Carpus): Luke J. Healy West Street.

Castings: Banbridge Foundry Co. and Drogheda Iron Works Co. - the cheaper in different items.

Ironmongery: Peter Murphy West Street and A. Murdock & Sons. - the cheaper in different articles and where the prices were equal lots were drawn.

Timber: A. Murdock & Sons.

Slates, Sewer Pipes &c.: Peter Murphy, A. Murdock Sons & T. & E. Martin - cheapest in different items.

Oils, glass &c.: A. Murdock & Sons.

Painting and Glazing: Michael McGuiggan West Street.

Smith Work: Bernard Daly & Son.

Gravel, Sand &c.: Peter Carroll, North Road.

Horse Shoeing: John Owens, Stockwell Lane.

Cement: A. Murdock & Sons

Keeping in repair of Kolsel clock: Duffnes Bros. Shop Street.

With regard to the tenders received for Repairs to Carts, Repairs to Harness, Wheel barrows, Carpentry, & Bill posting. we directed that Tenders be again invited as we were not satisfied with those submitted to us.

Dated 25th March 1908. Patrick Drew Chairman.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor J. J. Callan, seconded by Councillor T. Callan, and it was ordered that tenders be again invited for lime Mr Sillery having declined to supply it at 1/- per barrel.

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Adjusting of Weights &c — A Proposal of Patrick Clarke, Linen Hall, to adjust the Weights, Scales and Beams of the Corporation for the sum of £1 was unanimously accepted.

Technical Instruction Contributions to — A letter from the Head Master, Technical Schools, with reference to the payments of the contribution of the Corporation to the funds for Technical Instruction was read, but no order was made thereon.

The Town Clerk submitted a Notice served upon him by

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by the Clerk of the Meath Rural District Council of Drogheda Union, of intention to acquire compulsorily one acre of land in the townland of Bryanstown belonging to the Corporation, for the purposes of a Scheme under the Labourers Acts.

Labourers Scheme acquisition of Land. ✓

Ordered that the Town Clerk and the Borough Surveyor do attend to & act in the matter as they may deem advisable in the interests of the Corporation.

Draft Leases ✓

The Council approved Draft Leases unto the Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co., the Workmens Total Abstinence Society, Woolsey, Jameson & Co. Ltd., Molloy and Caulfield, and Thomas Gerrard & Co.

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1908. April 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at noon, on Wednesday the 15th day of April, 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, and L. J. Elcock.

Councillors:- J. J. Callan, J. Callaghan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew (Mayor), W. T. Skeffington, E. W. McArdle, S. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan, and J. Clarke.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £43.2.8 ordinary, and £4:13:0, Water Works Department examined and approved.

Clinton Holding ✓

Letter read from the Clerk Drogheda Union, enclosing copy of a Resolution passed by his Board in reference to the Clinton holding at Killineer. No order made.

Thomas Brady's Lease

Letter read from Thomas Brady relating to the proposed Lease of his premises in Shop Street.

Ordered to be referred to the Estate Committee.

Footpath at Mell Chapel to be Concreted.

Application read from the Revd. Francis Carolan, P.P. Tullyallen, asking the Council to have the footpath in front of Mell Chapel and the entrance gate concreted.

Ordered that the request be complied with.

Fire Brigade

Mr. Peter Lennon was directed to take in a report upon the question of a Fire Brigade and Fire extinguishing appliances.

John Collins' house Trinity Street

The Borough Surveyor was directed to report upon the condition of John Collins' house Trinity Street.

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1908. May 6th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 6th day of May 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, & J. J. Magins

Councillors:- P. Lyons, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Callaghan, W. Murray, T. Callan, J. Carter, P. Drew, (Mayor) W. T. Sheffington, E. W. McArdle, L. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments — Borough Fund Payments amounting to £486.9.2, and Public Library payments to the amount of £7.8.0 approved.

Wages — Wages amounting to £46.17.8, Borough Fund, and £4.13.0 Waterworks department, examined and passed.

Return of Receipts. — Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 30th April, amounting to £362.13.5, read.

Gas Works Retorts and Washer Scrubber Tenders accepted. ✓ — Report read from Gas Committee intimating that they had accepted the Tender of William Steel, Athlone, for the erection of a Retort Bench with the necessary iron and steelwork at £1300; and also that they had accepted the Tender of George Waller and Sons, Stroud, for a washer scrubber at £50.

Loan of £1500 for same approved ✓ — The Town Clerk reported that the Bank of Ireland had agreed to advance on mortgage £1500 for the above work, at the Bank of England rate of interest of the day with a minimum of four per cent, the loan to be repayable

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repayable in five years.

Local labour — A letter from the Trades Council advocating the employment of local labour and the giving of the contract to a local contractor, was read.

The action of the Gas Committee and the obtaining of a loan from the Bank of Ireland upon the terms mentioned were unanimously approved.

Striking of Rates — Report read from Law and Finance Committee as follows:-

Gentlemen,

We have had under consideration the striking of Rates for the ensuing year.

We recommend that the Consolidated Rate be the same as last year viz., 4/- in the £, and that the Sanitary Rate in respect of the Water Supply be two pence less, viz, 1/8 in the £; total rate for year on Buildings 5/8 in the £, and on Land &c 4/5 in the £.

Consolidated Rate 4/- Sanitary Rate 1/8.

This year's Demand of the County Council is less by £389.7.4 than last year's, but instead of reducing the rate accordingly we have made a beginning in providing for the payment of the Solicitors costs.

Payment of Solicitor's Costs.

Dated 27th April 1908. Patrick Drew, Chairman.

Estimates — The Estimates were then submitted, whereupon it was moved by Councillor J. J. Callan, seconded by Councillor Lyons and Resolved unanimously:- That we, the Corporation of Drogheda, do order and direct that a Consolidated (Municipal) Rate be made, applotted, levied, assessed and raised within the Borough of Drogheda, the said rate to be for the financial year ending the 31st day of March 1909, and to be at the rate of four shillings in the pound; to be assessed, levied and raised from and off the owners, occupiers or tenants of all hereditaments rateable for the relief of the destitute poor in Ireland; twenty nine pence in the pound of such rate being to meet General District Poor Rate charges; nineteen pence in the pound thereof to meet Borough charges, including the maintenance of the Public Works transferred from the late Grand Jury of the County of the Town of Drogheda; one penny in the pound thereof to meet the expenses for the purposes of the Public Libraries Acts; one penny in the pound thereof to meet the expenses for the purposes of Technical Instruction Acts.

Rates Resolutions. ✓

And

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And it is hereby further resolved that a Sanitary Rate of twenty pence in the pound be made applotted, levied and paised under the provisions of section 226 of the Public Heath (Ireland) act 1878, in manner therein provided, to meet the expenses of the Water Supply for the District"

The Rate Book, prepared in terms of the foregoing Resolution, was then submitted and was duly signed and sealed.

Leases to Peter Downey. Drogheda Workmens Total Abstinence Society. Thomas Gerrard Bro. Molloy & Caulfield.

Leases were duly executed unto the following Lessees:-

Peter Downey, Waterunder, Building Plot West side of the Windmill Lane. for 99 years from the 25th march 1907, yearly rent 1/-, Expenditure £3000.

Drogheda Workmens Total Abstinence Society, House and Premises North side Fair Street, for 31 years from the yearly rent £6.

Thomas Gerrard Bro., Laurence Street, House and Premises North side Laurence Street for 31 years from the 25th March 1907 yearly rent £20. expenditure £150.

Molloy and Caulfield, Laurence Street, House and Premises North side, Laurence Street, for 31 years from the 25th March 1908. yearly rent £20, Expenditure £70.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 20th day of May 1908.

Present.

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, J. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Maginn, and J. J. Curran.

Councillors:- L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Sheilds, J. Callaghan, W. Murray, P. Lynch, T. Callan, J. Carter, P. Drew, (Mayor) W. T. Heffington, E. W. Wardle, S. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

In the Chair- His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £57:15:9 Borough Fund, and £4:13:0 Water Works, examined and passed.

Concreting at Mrs. McEvoy's Windmill Lane.

Report read from Borough Surveyor giving the cost of concreting in front of Mrs. McEvoy's premises Windmill Lane as £7:16:0.

The consideration of the matter was adjourned.

Fire Brigade.

Report read from Waterworks plumber on the question of the establishment of a Fire Brigade.

Ordered that a Special Meeting be summoned to consider the matter.

Land Purchase adhere to report of 4th April 1907.

Report read from Land Purchase Committee as follows:-

Gentlemen,

At an adjourned meeting held this day to consider the amended offer of the Land Tenants of the Corporation in connection with the purchase of their holdings under the Land Act of 1903, it was agreed, Councillors Wardle and Jordan dissenting, to recommend the Council to adhere in all respects to the terms of the report of the

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4th april 1907 of the Land Purchase Committee.
Dated 18th May 1908. W. J. Heffington Chairman.
The report was adopted on the motion of alderman Curran seconded by Councillor Clarke, Councillor J. Callan dissenting.

Regulation of Markets.

A Deputation from the South and Meath Farmers Association waited upon the Council in reference to the better regulation of the markets.

Committee to deal with. ✓

A Committee consisting of the major, alderman Elcock, and Councillors - Lyons, Heffington and Jordan was appointed to deal with the matter.

Loan of £5000 for Cottages refused. ✓

Letter read from the Bank of Ireland declining to make an advance of £5000 for the building of Cottages.

School attendance Committee Regulations ✓

On the motion of Councillor J. Callan, seconded by Councillor Heffington the Council adopted Regulations as prepared by the Commissioners of National Education for the Time and mode of appointment of a School Attendance Committee and for the conduct of the proceedings of such Committee.

W. J. McCann, Borough Surveyor. Resignation accepted. ✓

The following was read:-

Borough Surveyor's Office, Drogheda, 20th May 1908.

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to tender my resignation as Borough Surveyor.

Yours obediently, W. J. McCann.

Councillor McQuillan proposed and Councillor Wardle seconded - that the resignation be accepted.

Councillor Carter moved, alderman Curran, seconding, that the resignation be not accepted.

On a Division there voted:

For the amendment - Aldermen:- Curran and Elcock.
Councillors:- Carter and Callaghan.

Against the amendment - Aldermen:- McCullough, Maginn & Keeley.
Councillors:- J. Callan, Jordan, Heffington, Murray, McQuillan, Lynch, Clarke

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Clarke, J. J. Callan, Moore, Wardle, Childs, Lyons. (15.)
The amendment was declared lost.
The Resolution was then put and carried those voting against the amendment voting for the resolution, and vice versa.

J. J. Burke appointed temporarily as Borough Surveyor. Motion to dispense with Borough Surveyor's services withdrawn ✓

Mr. J. J. Burke was then appointed to discharge the duties of the office temporarily, on the motion of Councillor J. Callan, seconded by alderman Curran, and Councillor McQuillan formally withdrew his Notice of Motion to dispense with Mr. W. J. McCann's services.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 3rd day of June 1908.

Present.

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P. A. Keeley, T. McCullough, and J. J. Maginn.
Councillors:- P. Lyons, J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Sheils, J. Byrne, J. Callaghan, W. Murray, P. Lynch, T. Callan, J. Carter, R. Matthews, P. Drew, (Mayor) E. W. Wardle, S. Jordan, J. V. McGuillan and J. Clarke.

In the Chair- His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments. Payments ordered out of the Borough Fund to the amount of £491:12:11 and out of the Public Library account to the amount of £0:3:0.

Wages. Wages amounting to £44:10:0 Borough Fund, and £4:13:0 Waterworks Department, examined and approved.

Return of Receipts. Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st May, amounting to £261.9.4, read.

Technical Instruction. Separate Scheme adopted. ✓ A lengthy report from the Committee appointed to confer with the Technical Instruction Committee regarding the working of the Technical School was submitted and taken as read. The report recommended that the Corporation should apply for a separate scheme of Technical Instruction. Alderman Keeley intimated that he would not take part in any action in the matter and retired.

After considerable discussion the adoption of the report was moved by Councillor J. J. Callan, and seconded by Councillor McGuillan and carried, the Mayor and Councillor Lynch remaining neutral.

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Accounts of Dundalk School. The Town Clerk submitted a copy of the report of the Local Government auditor, on together with statements of a/c, on his audit of the accounts of the Technical Schools of Dundalk and Drogheda for the year ended 31st July 1907. No order made

Drogheda Quays maintenance and lighting of. ✓ Letter read from the Secretary, Drogheda Harbour Commissioners intimating that a deputation from his Board wished to wait on the Corporation in reference to the maintenance of the quays and the lighting of them.

It was agreed to receive the deputation on the 17th inst. at the meeting of the Council.

School attendance Committee. Communication from the Office of National Education giving a list of the persons selected by them on the school attendance Committee, read. No order made.

Speed of motor Cars. Letter read from the District Inspector, assuring the Council that the question of excessive speed of motor Cars through the town would have his attention.

Dog Licenses surplus. Communication from the Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks read, intimating that the Councils proportion of the surplus from the sale of Dog licenses amounted to £22:6:5.

Gas manager's Bond. The Solicitor to the Corporation reported the manager of the Gas Works Department had executed his Bond.

Land Purchase. ✓ Letter read from N. J. Murphy, Mill of Rath, enclosing copy of a further resolution passed by the Land Tenants on the subject of the proposed sale.

Ordered to be referred to the Land Purchase Committee.

Do. No power to take Plebiscite. Communication from the Local Government Board, intimating that the Council had not the power to incur the expense of taking a plebiscite of the ratepayers on the question of Land Purchase, read.

Two Tenders for Plumbing work, three for Painting and five

for

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for Carpentry and Plastering in connection with repairs to the Mayoralty House were submitted.

The lowest tenders in each case were accepted, viz.—

Repairs to mayoralty House. ✓

M. J. Nugent £27:16:6 and 8/9 for rebronzing &c gaspendants, Hugh Thornton £54, and Christopher Gogarty £76:17:6 respectively.

Rent of Commercial Reading Rooms Society increased. ✓

It was decided to increase the rent of the Commercial Reading Rooms Society to 10/- per annum in consideration of the repairs about to be carried out on their premises.

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Present.

Aldermen:— P. P. Keeley, J. J. Maguire and J. J. Curran.

Councillors:— L. Moore, J. J. Callan, F. Byrne, J. Callaghan, W. Murray, T. Callan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, (Mayor) W. T. Skeffington, E. W. McArdle, S. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

In the Chair— His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £53.2.5, Borough Fund, and £4.13.0, Waterworks Department, examined and passed.

The following was read:—

Sunday Gate, 17th June 1908.

Dear Sir,

Thanks from Mr. Dolan for Vote of Condolence.

Kindly convey my sincere thanks, joined by Mrs. Dolan and the members of our family, to His Worship the mayor and Council of the Corporation for their unanimous vote of Condolence on the occasion of our very great sorrow at the loss of my two elder and dearly beloved daughters.

Yours very truly, John Dolan.

Distress Committee Deficit. ✓

Report read from Town Clerk, intimating that there was a deficit of £5.9.2 on the working of the Unemployed Workmens Act for the past winter and suggesting that it should be made good by the Waterworks Department.

The suggestion was approved.

New Kerbing in Hand Street deferred.

Report read from the Acting Borough Surveyor pointing out that it would not be advisable to lay a concrete Kirbing and Water Channel in Hand Street until the new Cottages

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Cottages have been erected.

The Report was adopted.

School Attendance Committee. Secretary and School Attendance Officer. ✓

Report read from School attendance Committee intimating that Alderman Keeley had resigned, and suggesting the selection of Brother O'Farrell in his stead, and that they proposed to elect a Secretary at £50 per annm. and a School Attendance Officer at a commencing salary of £25 per annm.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Curran, seconded by Councillor McQuillan, Councillor Callaghan dissenting.

Fire Brigade. ✓

Report read from Law & Finance Committee recommending that the Water Works plumber should have entire control of, and be responsible for, the efficiency of the Fire Brigade, with authority to engage ten suitable young men and to train them, these men to get 2/6 each for practices and 2/6 for the first hour, and 1/- for every hour afterwards, that they are engaged in extinguishing fires. The plumber to have further power to suspend employees of the Corporation till the following meeting who do not attend fires without giving a satisfactory explanation, the Fire Escape to be kept on the footpath in front of the Courthouse.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor J. Callan, seconded by Councillor Moore.

Drogheda Quays maintenance and lighting of. ✓

A Deputation from the Harbour Board, consisting of Messrs. C. McKenny and W. Brannon, waited on the Council in reference to the maintenance and lighting of the Quays.

Mr. McKenny having addressed the Council Alderman Keeley proposed, Councillor Moore seconding, that the matter be not further considered. Councillor Jordan thereupon moved, Councillor J. Callan seconding, that the matter be referred to the Law & Finance Committee. On a division only the Mayor and Councillors J. Callan, Jordan, Carter and Keffington were in favour of Councillor Jordan's motion, and Alderman Keeley's was accordingly declared carried by 12 votes to 5.

Employees to be insured. ✓

Ordered that the Town Clerk do have all the employees of the Corporation insured under the provisions of

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of the Workmens Compensation acts.

Agricultural College for Leinster. ✓

A Deputation consisting of the Mayor and Councillors McQuillan, Jordan and Keffington was appointed to wait upon the Vice President of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction to urge the claims of Drogheda in the matter of the proposed Agricultural College for Leinster.

Copy of Charter of James I ✓

Letter read from Rev. James Godley enclosing a copy of the Charter of James I to Drogheda.

Ordered that the thanks of the Council be conveyed to the Rev. Mr. Godley.

Land Purchase ✓

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor McArdle moved.— "that the Corporation do not sell upon any terms the land inside the Borough Boundary under the Irish Land Act 1903, and that any resolutions or otherwise to the contrary be and are hereby rescinded". Councillor Carter seconded the motion.

Councillor Clarke proposed a direct negative which was seconded by Councillor J. Callan.

On a Division there voted for the motion — Aldermen.— Maginn, Keeley. Councillors:— McArdle, Murray, Byrne, Carter, Matthews, J.J. Callan, Moore, Callaghan. (10) Against the motion — Councillors:— J. Callan, Jordan, McQuillan, Clarke, Keffington and Alderman Curran. (6) The motion was accordingly declared carried. The Mayor did not take any part in the last motion.

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July 1st

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 1st day of July 1908.

Present.

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P. Keeley, T. McCullough, J. J. Maginn and J. J. Curran.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Sheilds, T. Byrne, J. Carter, P. Drew (Mayor) D. Jordan and J. Clarke.

In the Chair- His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages amounting to £48.5.9 Borough Fund, and £4.13.0 Waterworks Department, examined and approved.

Payments. Payments ordered on the Borough Fund to the amount of £670.15.6 and on the Public Library Account to the amount of £5.0.4.

School attendance Committee vacancy. Letter read from Superior Christian Brothers, declining to act on the School attendance Committee.

Councillor J. Callaghan was selected to fill the vacancy on the motion of alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan.

Tenders for painting Urinals &c. Three Tenders were submitted for the painting of certain Urinals, Railings and Doors.

The lowest - that of A. Wilson, Chord Road, at £3- was accepted.

Adjournment for Bellewstown Races. On the motion of alderman Curran, seconded by alderman Keeley, the meeting decided to adjourn for a fortnight on account of Bellewstown Races being held on this day.

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July 8th

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at ~~noon~~ 12-30 afternoon on Wednesday the 8th day of July 1908; "to consider reply of the Technical Instruction Committee to the report of the Committee appointed by the Corporation to enquire into the working of the Technical School, and the report of the latter upon the said reply".

Present.

Aldermen:- T. McCullough,

Councillors:- J. Dolan, J. J. Callan, J. Sheilds, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, J. Carter, P. Drew, (Mayor) W. J. Heffington, E. W. Wardle, D. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan, and J. Clarke.

In the Chair- His Worship the mayor.

~~The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.~~

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Technical Instruction. The Reports referred to in the Notice were taken as read. Several members having expressed their views the report of the Committee of enquiry upon the report of the Technical Instruction Committee, was, on the motion of Councillor Heffington seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan, unanimously adopted.

Separate Scheme. ✓

Proposed by Councillor J. J. Callan, seconded by Councillor Dolan and unanimously Resolved.- "that the Town Clerk be and is hereby directed to intimate to the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction that this Council will not any longer contribute the proceeds of the Rate levied for the purposes of Technical Instruction to a Joint Scheme of Technical Education as at present in operation, and that a similar intimation be transmitted to the Managing Committee of Technical Instruction for the County of Louth; and that we again request the Department to proceed as quickly as possible to provide Drogheda with a separate scheme".

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July 15th

Minutes of an adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 15th day of July 1908.

Present.

Aldermen:- O.P. Kieley, J.J. Maginn.

Councillors:- L. Moore, J. Carter, J. Dolan, T.V. McQuillan, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, S. Jordan, E.W. Wardle, J. Shields, J.J. Callan and J. Clarke.

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. **Wages** amounting to £48.12.10 examined and approved.

Return of Receipts. Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 30th June approved.

Tender for repairs to carts. Mr. acting Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. Wm. Clarke's tender for keeping carts in repair was the cheapest and it was accordingly agreed to accept that tender.

Condition of Houses in Francis St etc. Mr. Burke further reported upon the condition of houses in Francis Street, Scarlet Street, Patrick Street and Dolton Street. Ordered that the painting recommended be carried out.

Audit. Communication from the Local Government Auditor, intimating his intention to commence the audit of the accounts for the year ended 31st March 1908, on Tuesday the 7th July at 10-30 o'clock, read.

All-Ireland Industrial Conference. Circular letter read from the Secretary of the All Ireland Industrial Conference inviting the Corporation to nominate two delegates to represent them at the Conference to be held in Galway on the 16th & 17th September. The mayor and the Town Clerk were selected.

Old Jail. Temporary letting. An Agreement for a temporary letting to messrs. Murgo Gray & Co. of portion of the Old Jail premises at

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at 3d per month was submitted and duly executed.

Tenements for Revision of Valuation. The Town Clerk submitted lists of Tenements for Revision of valuation and the same were approved.

Telephone Poles. Permission to Cllr. Dolan to erect. Councillor Dolan was granted permission to erect Telephone Poles from his premises at Drenday Gate to his residence at Yellowbatter upon the same conditions as the Postal authorities

Concreting. The acting Borough Surveyor was directed to complete the concreting work at Councillor Dolan's premises.

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August 5th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House at noon on Wednesday the 5th day of August 1908.

Present.

Aldermen:—J. Downey, P.P. Kieley, T. McCullough, and J.J. Maginn.

Councillors:—J. Dolan, L. Moore, J.J. Callan, J. Sheilds, L. Byrne, J. Callaghan, T. Callan, B. Matthews, P. Drew, (mayor) E. W. M'Ardle, S. Jordan, T.V. McQuillan, and J. Clarke.

In the Chair—His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages amounting to £47.13.11 Borough Fund, and £10.1.6 Waterworks examined and approved.

Payments. Payments to the amount of £1414:18:3 out of the Borough Fund, and £11:6:8 out of the ~~Waterworks~~ Public Library Account examined and passed.

Return of Receipts. Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st July, amounting to £470.4.1, approved.

Surcharge Dellewstown Races. ✓ The Town Clerk brought under the notice of the Council a surcharge of £2:5:0, in respect of the payment of wages to men sent to Dellewstown Races, made by the auditor in his audit of the accounts for the year ending 31st March 1908. No order made.

Footpath to be Concreted Scarlet St. Francis St. ✓ Weekly report from Acting Borough Surveyor read. Ordered that the footpath in front of the Corporation cottages in Scarlet Street and Francis Street be concreted.

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Floor of passage of Public Library tc. ✓ Report from Public Library Committee upon the condition of the flooring in the passage of the library and the dampness of the cellar, read. Ordered that the acting Borough Surveyor do inspect and report.

Markets. Report from Markets Committee read, approving of the report of the market Collector, save the closing of the Dolton Street Gate, and recommending the putting in operation of a check system.

Corn and Hay Market Alterations tc ✓ Ordered as follows: That the Potato market and Fair Street (West gate) Gates be opened in future; that vegetable vendors be permitted to expose goods for sale in Dolton Street, and that the footpath on the East side of that street be concreted; that Fishermen be permitted to sell in any part of the town after two o'clock p.m.; that a check system be put in operation; that the suggested lines of Kirbing in the Potato market be not laid; that Hay be stored in future on the East side of the Corn Market; that additional stands be provided for the Butter market if necessary

Old age Pensions Committee Arising out of a Circular Letter of the Local Government Board, the Council fixed Wednesday, the 19th day of August, for the appointment of a Pensions Committee under the Old Age Pensions Act.

Distress Committee accounts. Communication from the Local Government Board, enclosing copy of Report and Statement of accounts of the audit of the accounts of the Distress Committee for the period ending 6th July, read. No order made.

Tenders for Coal Ordered that Tenders be invited for usual supply of Coals

Concreting in Dyer Street ✓ Ordered that the footpath in front of the new Cottage in Dyer Street erected by Messrs. Woolsey Jameson & Co., be concreted.

Criminal Injury Mary a. M'Evoy The Town Clerk submitted Notice of application by Mary A. M'Evoy for compensation for Criminal Injury to property. Matter referred to the Town Clerk.

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Circular Letter from Dublin Castle in relation to the Shop Hours Act 1904, submitted. No order made.

Loan £1,500. for Gas Works. ✓

On the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan it was Resolved:-

1. That the Corporation approve of the borrowing of £1,500 from the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland for the purpose of the extension and improvement of the Gas Undertaking of the Corporation.
2. That the Corporation approve of the Mortgage to secure same together with interest varying with and equal to the Bank of England rate for the time being but not to fall below 4%.
3. That the Seal of the Corporation be affixed to said Mortgage as also to Memorial for registration."

Tenders for Painting

Four Tenders for Painting Work were submitted.

That of Andrew Wilson, Chord Road, being the cheapest, the price being £4, the same was accepted.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 12-30 o'clock afternoon on Wednesday the 12th day of August 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- P. O. Keeley and T. McCullough.
Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, P. Byrne, W. Murray, J. Carter, P. Drew (Mayor) S. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.

Notice

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Purchase of Hay.

But one Tender for Hay was submitted which was not considered satisfactory, and it was thereupon agreed to depute the Mayor; Councillor Jordan and Councillor Lyons to purchase in the open market the quantity of Hay needed.

Patents act 1907 Facilities to Capitalists ✓

On the motion of Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Carter, it was unanimously Resolved:-

"That we, the Corporation of Drogheda, cordially invite all Capitalists or Manufacturers affected by the Patents Act of 1907 to establish Undertakings in Drogheda, and that in the event of their doing so we hereby pledge ourselves to afford them every facility in our power in the way of granting easements and giving Leases for a long term of years of the Corporation lands at merely nominal rents."

"That copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the proper representatives of the Countries concerned."

Technical Instruction. Separate Scheme ✓

Communication from A. E. Basthope Head master Technical Schools, enclosing copy of Resolution passed by his Committee regarding the proposed Separate Scheme of Technical Instruction, read.

Read, Report from Committee appointed to enquire into working of School upon said Resolution.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Dolan, seconded by Councillor Byrne and a

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copy of it ordered to be transmitted to the Technical Instruction Committee in reply to their resolution.

Alderman Keeley requested that it be noted that he did not take part in these proceedings.

Loan of £1500 Gas Works ✓

A Mortgage to the Bank of Ireland covering an advance of £1500 to the Gas Works Department for extensions and improvements, repayable in five years with interest thereon at four per centum or at Bank of England rate of the day should it exceed that rate, was this day executed and sealed.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at 11 o'clock forenoon on Monday the 17th day of august 1908; to appoint a new Technical Instruction Committee to administer a separate scheme of Technical Instruction for Drogheda; and to consider a report of Mr. E. J. Spencer upon the proposed new loans.

Present:

Aldermen: - J. Downey, T. McCullough,
Councillors: - P. Lyons, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Byrne, W. Murray, B. Matthews, P. Drew (Mayor) E. McArdle, S. Jordan, J. V. McGuillan, and J. Clarke.

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Technical Instruction. Separate Scheme ✓

Letter read from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction stating they were prepared to accede to the request of the Corporation for a separate scheme of Technical Instruction, and pointing out that the Council should proceed to appoint a Committee to administer the separate scheme, which they suggested should consist of thirteen members, 7 of whom to be members of the Council and 6 not members of the Council.

Councillor J. J. Callan proposed the following Committee Councillor Matthews seconding:-

Archdeacon Segrave, Fr. Curry, Canon Ledoux, J. W. Harbinson, Doctor Bradley, James Gray, Alderman T. McCullough, Councillors Drew (Mayor) Jordan, Heffington, J. J. Callan, McArdle, McGuillan.

Councillor Moore moved as an amendment - that alderman Keeley's name be substituted for Councillor Callan's.

Alderman Downey seconded

A division was taken when there voted

For the amendment - Alderman Downey and Councillors Lyons, Moore and Jordan. (4)

For the motion - alderman McCullough and Councillors Callan, Byrne, Murray, Matthews, McArdle, McGuillan

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McQuillan and Clarke. (8)

The Motion was accordingly declared carried.

Loans - Re-arrangement of. Report of C.F. Spencer.

Mr. C.F. Spencer's Report upon the proposed re-arrangement of the loans of the Corporation was read and referred to the Town Clerk to report thereon.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 19th day of August 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P.O. Keeley, T. McCullough, and J.J. Maginn.
Councillors:- L. Moore, J.J. Callan, J. Byrne, W. Murray, P. Lynch, T. Callan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew (Mayor) E.W. McArdle, S. Jordan, T.V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

In the chair - His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

The Minutes of meeting held on 5th august were read and confirmed

Wages amounting to £53:10:8 Borough Fund and £5:13:8 Water Works Department were examined and approved.

Borough Surveyor's Report.

Weekly report read from acting Borough Surveyor.

Ordered that an account of the cost of concreting work carried out this season and an estimate of work yet proposed to be done, be furnished to next meeting; ~~and~~ that the County Surveyor be written to regarding the liability of the Corporation for the wall on the North side of the Rathmullen road, and that the Concreting in Dyer Street be continued to the meat Market Gate.

Borough Surveyor. Condition of Library

Further report from Mr. Burke upon the condition of the floor of the corridor and the cellar of the Public Library, read. Ordered that a copy be forwarded to the Public Library Committee.

Auditor's Report 1908.

Communication from the Local Government Board, enclosing copy of the Report of their auditor upon his audit of the accounts of the Corporation for the year ended 31st march last, read.

Surcharge. Gas Board for Coal Contracts.

Ordered that the surcharge made be referred to the members of the Council concerned; that a Gas Board for Coal Contracts

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Solicitors Bill of Costs to date to be furnished.

Contracts be prepared and used in future; that the Solicitor to the Corporation be again requested to furnish a Bill of all his Costs in full detail, to date, by the next meeting of the Council, with an intimation that should he fail to do so the Council will act as they may be advised; and that the Report and Abstracts be printed as usual.

Tuberculosis Conference Delegates

The Mayor and Councillor Jordan were appointed to represent the Council at the Tuberculosis Conference to be held in Dublin on the 27th August.

Capt W.A. Adams Head Rent - L.G.B. Consent to Sale. L.G.B. Order re Creation & issue of Stock.

The Town Clerk submitted two Orders of the Local Government Board, consenting to the sale of a Head Rent payable by one Capt. W.A. Adams to the Corporation, and revoking the Consent Order of the 19th Dec 1899. for the Creation and Issue of Stock, respectively.

Tenders for Coal

Two Tenders for annual supply of coal were submitted. That of A. Murdock & Sons Ltd., offering best screened Workington Coal at 19/9, being the cheapest, the same was accepted by 9 votes to 4.

Issue of Stock Committee appointed to enquire into.

A Committee consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Elcock, and Councillors Callaghan and Lynch was, on the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor J. Callan, appointed to enquire into the Loans of the Corporation with a view to issuing Stock.

Old Age Pensions Act Appointment of Committee.

The Council next proceeded to the appointment of a Pensions Committee under the Old Age Pensions Act.

Alderman Keeley proposed a list of persons which was seconded by Councillor J.J. Callan. Councillor McGuillan moved as an amendment that the matter be adjourned to Monday the 24th August, Councillor Byrne seconded.

On a division there voted —

For the motion:- Aldermen Keeley & Maginn, Councillors:- Moore, J.J. Callan and Murray. (5)

For the Amendment:- Alderman McCullough, Councillors:- Byrne, Lynch

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Lynch, J. Callan, Carter, Matthews, Wardle, Jordan, McGuillan and Clarke. (10).

The amendment was declared carried.

Patents Act Advertising

The Town Clerk was directed to advertise the advantages of Drogheda in connection with the Patents Act in American French German and English Papers.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Monday the 24th day of August 1908, to appoint a Pension Committee under the Old age Pensions act.

Present

Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley, J. Downey & T. McCullough,
Councillors:- L. Moore, J. Shields, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, E.W. Wardle, T.V. McQuillan, and J. Clarke.

Alderman Keeley was moved to the Chair.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Old Age Pension Committee
12 members appointed
✓

On the motion of Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Matthews it was agreed to elect twelve members from the Council - four from each ward - on the Pension Committee.

Councillor Wardle proposed that six persons not being members of the Council be elected on the Committee, Councillor Byrne seconded.

Councillor ~~m~~Callaghan moved as an amendment that the number be eight. Councillor McQuillan seconded.

The amendment was declared carried on the casting vote of the Chairman.

The following Committee was then selected on the motion of Councillor Callaghan, seconded by Councillor Moore:- Rt. Rev. P. Segrave, Vy Rev. J. Curry, Canon Ledoux, Rev. T.R. Drumskill, C. McKenny, W.B. Hill, T. Reilly, W. Bannon. Aldermen:- Downey, McCullough, Maginn. Councillors:- Moore, Dolan, J.J. Callan, Lynch, Murray, Callaghan, Drew, O'Keffington and Jordan.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 2nd day of September 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P.P. Keeley, and J.J. Maginn.
Councillors:- L. Moore, J.J. Callan, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, W. Murray, P. Lynch, J. Callan, J. Carter, P. Drew (Mayor), E.W. Wardle, J. Jordan, T.V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes. The Minutes of meetings held on the 12th, 17th, 19th & 24th August were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages amounting to £49.15.4 examined and approved.

Payments Borough Fund Payments to the amount of £1749.13.6 and Public Library payments amounting to £9.11.10 examined and passed.

Receipts & Expenditure Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st August, amounting to £979.12.4 submitted.

Borough Surveyors Report re Repairs to Wall along Rathmullen Rd &c. Report read from Acting Borough Surveyor stating that Mr. Lynam had written him that the wall along the Rathmullan Road had been repaired by the Grand Jury, that there were several dangerous breaches in the Rampart between Dominicks Bridge and the Borough Boundary; that the cost of concreting done since april was £169.2.7; that it would cost £34 to concrete the footpath from the marsh Mill to the Chemical works, and that he had discontinued the concreting work in Dyer Street in view of the approaching corn season.

Ordered that an estimate for the repair of the Rathmullan Road wall be submitted and that no fresh concreting work be started

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started without directions.

Report read from Estate Committee as follows:-
Gentlemen,

Boyne Spinning & Weaving Co. Ltd. & Daniel Branigan Assignment of premises

The Boyne Weaving Co and Alderman Downey (through his Solicitor Mr. Patrick Callan) have applied for permission to assign their interests in certain premises to the Boyne Spinning & Weaving Co. Ltd. and Mr. Daniel Branigan respectively and we have authorized the Town Clerk to endorse Consent in each case.

Mrs. Mary McDonald Renewal of Lease

We recommend a renewal of lease of Cottages on the south side of the Hungry Hall Road to Mrs. Mary McDonald as Guardian of Richardsons' Minors for 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £8.

Thos. Brady, Shop St. Reduction in rent

We have considered the further application of Mr. Thomas Brady Shop Street, for a reduction of rent in the proposed new lease of his premises. Having regard to the large outlay by the tenant, and to the fact that he has entirely re-built his premises we now recommend the Council to apply to the Local Government Board for permission to grant Mr. Brady a lease for 99 years at the yearly rent of £5.

Captain Lyons re Plans re of Lavatory House Fair St.

Mr. L. Baker, Architect, has submitted on behalf of his client, Captain Lyons, a plan and Specification of a proposed Lavatory for house No. 48 Fair Street, of which we have approved.

Dated 26th August 1908 Patrick Drew Chairman

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Moore.

Technical Instruction Committee

A Report from the Technical Instruction Committee was ~~read~~ read and ordered to be referred to the Estate Committee.

J. H. Mann Bill of Costs Extension

The Solicitor to the Corporation was granted an extension of a fortnight for the sending in of his Bills of Costs.

P. P. Keeley, Chairman

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September 16th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 16th day of September 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley and J.J. Maginn.
Councillors:- L. Moore, J.J. Callan, J. Sheilds, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, T. Callan, B. Matthews, E.W. M'Ardle, and J. Clarke.

In the Chair - Alderman Keeley.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £51:7:5 and £5:11:0 (waterworks) examined and passed.

Condolence Ald. W.C. Bullough.

On the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor M'Ardle, a vote of condolence was unanimously passed with Alderman W.C. Bullough on the death of his mother.

Borough Surveyor's Report.

Weekly Report of the acting Borough Surveyor read.
Ordered the portion dealing with the Public Library be brought before the Public Library Committee, and that the report be again brought before the Council.

Technical Instruction Committee Reduction of Rent

Report read from Estate Committee recommending that the rent of the Technical School be reduced to £3 per annm.
Councillor J.J. Callan moved the adoption of the report, Councillor Clarke seconding; Councillor Moore moved and Councillor Byrne seconded, that the report be not adopted.
On a Division there voted for the adoption of the report:- Councillors: Callan, Sheilds, M'Ardle and Clarke (4) Against:- Aldermen: Keeley and Maginn, Councillors: Moore, Byrne, Callaghan, J. Callan, and Matthews (7). The report was accordingly rejected.

Letter read from the Local Government Board

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Poundage fees of Rate Collector

Board pointing out that the Rate Collector would not be entitled to poundage fees should he fails to close his collection by the 30th September. Ordered that a copy of the letter be forwarded to the collector.

J. A. O'Connor
Bill of Costs &c.

Communication read from the Corporation Solicitor enclosing his Bills of Costs, and replying to queries regarding matters in his hands. Ordered that the same be brought before the Committee appointed to deal with the matter.

Protest against interference by Rt. Hon. Asquith, Prime Minister, of procession of Most Holy Sacrament through London

On the motion of alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor M'Ardle, it was unanimously Resolved:- "That we the members of the Drogheda Corporation, as representatives of the citizens, protest in the strongest and most emphatic manner against the ill-timed and unwarranted interference of Mr. Henry Asquith, the Prime minister of a so-called Liberal British Government with the Procession of the most Holy Sacrament through a small section of the Streets of London on Sunday last; and that we demand, in the name of civil and religious liberty, the repeal of the restrictive clauses of the Act of 1829, whereby it is sought to make such processions illegal."

That copies of this resolution be sent to Cardinal Logue, the Archbishop of Westminster (Dr. Browne), the Prime Minister, Mr. John Redmond, M. P. & Mr. Joseph Nolan, M. P."

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October 7th

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 7th day of October 1908.

Present:

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P. Keeley, and J. J. Maguire.
Councillors:- P. Lyons, J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Sheilds, J. Byrne, J. Callaghan, W. Murray, T. Callan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, (Mayor) L. Jordan, T. V. M'Guillan and J. Clarke.

In the Chair- His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Payments

Borough Fund Wages amounting to £50.1.2 and Waterwork Wages amounting to £5:6:4 passed.

Payments

Borough Fund Payments to the amount of £577.0.4 and Public Library Payments amounting to £12.6.11. ordered.

The following letter was read:-

23 James Street, Drogheda.

Condolence letter of thanks from Ald. M'Cullough

Dear Mr. Connolly,

Please convey to the members of the Corporation my sincere thanks for their vote of condolence with me on the death of my mother.

Yours,
Thomas M'Cullough.

Return of Receipts & Expenditure.

Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 30th September, amounting to £1727.7.9. submitted.

Extra Brush for Sweeping Machine
Cost of Concreting
Removal of Effluvia Pipe, Chord Rd

Weekly Report of Acting Borough Surveyor read.

Ordered that an additional brush for the sweeping machine be procured and the existing one repaired; that the cost of concreting up to date be ascertained and reported, and that the removal of an effluvia pipe on the Chord Road be reported to

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to the Police.

Public Library Repairs

Arising out of a further resolution of the Public Library Committee regarding repairs to the Library premises it was agreed, on the motion of Councillor Lynch seconded by Alderman Downey, that the Council should make a drain to take water from roof and ventilate the cellar at a cost not exceeding £13:15:0 on the understanding that the Committee would carry out the other necessary repairs

Repair of Wall along Rathmullen Road

The acting Borough Surveyor was directed to have the wall along the Rathmullen Road repaired and to keep an account of the cost.

Rate Collector Extension of time to close.

On his application the Rate Collector was granted an extension of six weeks from the 30th September for the closing of his collection.

Patent & Designs Act 1907 ✓

Letter read from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction intimating that the influence of the Patents and Designs Act, 1907, on Ireland was being carefully considered, and that it was hoped to arrange a scheme to bring the advantages of the country under the notice of foreign manufacturers

Bee Pest Prevention (Ireland) Act 1908.

Circular Letter from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction read on the subject of the Bee Pest Prevention (Ireland) Act, 1908, read. No order made

Fire Insurances Transference to Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co.

On the motion of Councillor Callaghan seconded by Councillor Clarke it was Resolved:- "That all the Fire Insurances on the buildings and other property of the Drogheda Corporation as they become due be transferred to the Hibernian Fire and General Insurance Company."

Trustees Cottage Hospital Lease executed ✓

A Lease to the Trustees of the Drogheda Cottage Hospital of the plot of ground upon which the Hospital stands, for a term of 75 years from the at the yearly rent of £5, was this day executed and sealed.

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Tenders for Straw.

Three Tenders for supplying Straw were submitted.

It was decided to accept the cheapest - that of J. L. Heeney of Beamond at 15/- per cwt. - provided the sample was approved by a Committee consisting of the Mayor and Councillors Jordan and Lyons.

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October 21st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 21st day of October, 1908.

Present:

Councillor P. Drew (Mayor) in the Chair.

Aldermen:- P. O Keeley, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, & J. J. Curran

Councillors:- P. Lyons, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Sheilds, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, W. Murray, O. Lynch, T. Callan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew (Mayor), W. T. Kefferton, E. W. McArdle, S. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan & J. Clarke

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £48:6:8 Borough Surd, and £5:6:4 Water Works Department examined and approved.

Car Drivers Licence — Owen Moore, John Street, was granted a Car Drivers Licence.

Concreting — The Acting Borough Surveyor reported that 1248 Sq. yards of concrete footways, and 182 lin. yards perches of concrete Kerbing costing £219.7.0. had been laid this season.

Ordered that no further work of the kind be carried out until next season and and 50 tons of granite setts be ordered.

Patent & Designs Act Committee appointed re — Circular Letter read from the Secretary Irish Industrial Development Association relating to the Patents and Designs Act 1907.

A Committee consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Elcock, and Councillors: Jordan, McQuillan, J. J. Callan, T. Callan and Carter was appointed to deal with the matter.

B.R.T. Balfour offer of site for Park — Letter read from Fitzherbert Wons, Abbeyleix, offering on behalf of B. R. T. Balfour Esq Townley Hall, to hand over to the Corporation 1 rood and 13 perches of land between Rope walk and Magdalene Street, planted with ornamental trees and enclosed by

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with an iron railing.

The matter was referred to the Estate Committee.

Old Age Pensions Committee Mayoralty House — Application read from the Secretary Old Age Pensions Committee for the use of the Mayoralty Rooms for meetings.

It was agreed to grant the use of the rooms and to charge therefor the fees allowed by the Treasury.

Caretaker Mayoralty House Election of — Several applications for the position of Caretaker of the Mayoralty House were read.

The following Candidates were proposed:

Owen Fox, Chord Road; proposed by alderman McCullough, seconded by Coln. Clarke.
Patrick Drew, Wellington Quay; " " " Curran, " " " T. Callan.
Joseph Brady, North Road; " " Councillor Lynch, " " " Callaghan.

On the first Poll there voted for:-

Fox	Drew	Brady.
Aldermen:- McCullough	Aldermen:- Curran	Aldermen:- Elcock
Councillors:- McArdle	Councillors:- T. Callan	" Keeley
Murray	Matthews	Councillors:- Jordan
Carter	McQuillan	Lynch
Clarke	Moore	J. J. Callan
Sheilds (6.)	The Mayor (6.)	Byrne
		Callaghan
		Kefferton
		Lyons (9.

The Mayor decided to give a casting vote as between Fox and Drew and gave such casting vote in favour of Drew. A Final Poll was then taken between Drew and Brady with the following result:-

For Drew:- Aldermen:- McCullough and Curran.
Councillors:- T. Callan, Matthews, McArdle, McQuillan, Murray, Carter, Clarke, Moore, Sheilds and the Mayor (12)

For Brady:- Aldermen:- Keeley and Elcock.
Councillors:- Jordan, Lynch, J. J. Callan, Byrne, Callaghan, Clarke, Kefferton, and Lyons. (9.)

Patrick Drew was accordingly declared elected.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 4th day of November 1908.

Present

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor P. Drew) in the Chair.
Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, L. J. Elcock,
Councillors:- L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Callaghan, J. Carter, P. Drew, E. W. McArdle, J. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan, and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages amounting to £149:18:2 examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered amounting to £723:16:1 Borough Fund, and £4:4:0 Public Library Account.

Return of Receipts & Expenditure. Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st October, amounting to £153.13.7 submitted.

Extra Wages to Road Rangers. Report read from Acting Borough Surveyor intimating that he proposed to pay 2/- per week extra wages to men in charge of batches of men on outside roads.

The proposal was approved.

Purchase of Straw Committee appointed. Arising out of a further report of the Acting Borough Surveyor a Committee consisting of the Mayor, with Councillors Jordan and Lyons, was appointed to purchase straw.

Public Library repairs Protest against carrying out of. ✓ Communication read from Secretary Public Library Committee intimating that the Committee had agreed, under protest, to carry out the repairs to the floor and woodwork of the Library out of the balance to their credit.

Application.

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Distress Funds Grant

Application read from the Honorary Secretary of the Distress Committee for a contribution of £50 (being equivalent to a rate of 2½ in the £) towards the funds of the Committee.

It was unanimously agreed to accede to the application.

Rate Collection L.G.B. Extension. Sealed Order of the Local Government Board submitted granting an extension to the 14th November, for the closing of the Rate Collection for the half year ended 30th September 1908.

Caretaker Mayoralty Ho. Protest from Owen Fox. ✓ Letter read from Owen Fox, Chord Road, apprising the Council that he had lodged a protest with the Local Government Board against the election of Patrick Drew as Caretaker of the Mayoralty House.

The Town Clerk intimated that in consequence he had not placed Drew in charge of the Mayoralty House and his action was approved.

Land Purchase. ✓ Communication read from some tenants on the Corporate Estate relative to the purchase of their holdings under the Land Act of 1903.

The matter was referred to the Land Purchase Committee, the Town Clerk to make some enquiries and then summon a meeting.

Meetings of Old Age Pensions Committee in Mayoralty House. ✓ Communication read from the Clerk to the Old age Pensions Committee applying for a remuneration of 10/6 for the use of the Mayoralty House for meetings.

The Town Clerk was directed to point out in reply that the request could not be complied with since the Court House was available.

National Schools Insanitary state of. A Resolution of the Irish National Teachers' Organization, relating to the insanitary state of the National Schools, was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Jordan, seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan.

Two Orders for supplying Horse Feeding to the 31st October next

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Tenders for Horse Feeding

next, were submitted.

It was decided to accept the Tender of the Contractor who would quote the lowest price for best white bran the prices for the other articles being equal: viz—

Best whole white Oats 12/3 per barrel.
" Crushed Do. 12/9 " "
" Salt 3 " stone.

Standing Orders for Corporation & Sanitary business

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Alderman Keeley moved:— "That a code of Standing Orders be drawn up for the proper transaction of all Corporation and Sanitary business; and that the drafting of such standing orders be left in the hands of a Committee of the whole house." Councillor Callaghan seconded the motion.

Councillor McArdle proposed, Councillor Carter seconding— "That the Corporation adheres to the rules which have been in existence since January 1908 for the transaction of all Corporation and Sanitary business."

On a show of hands there were 9 for the motion and 3 for the amendment, the motion being accordingly declared carried.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 18th day of November 1908.

Present.

His Worship the mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:— J. Downey, P. B. Keeley, T. McCullough,

Councillors:— J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Sheilds, J. Callaghan, W. Murray, P. Lynch, J. Carter, P. Drew (Mayor), J. Jordan, W. J. Cheffington, F. W. McArdle, T. V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Site for Telephone Pole Chord Road

Report read from Acting Borough Surveyor intimating that he had arranged a site on the Chord Road with the Engineer of the Telephone Co., for the erection of a pole.

Agreed to grant permission for its erection, a rent of 1/- per annum to be charged.

Gas Works Blockage in Condensers

Report read from Gas Works Committee drawing attention to a blockage that had occurred in the Condensers through a bag being allowed to drop into the leading pipe and to remain there for such a length of time as to become saturated with tarry matter and thus effectually bar the passage of the gas; which might have been attended with very serious results either in damage to the works or injury to the men working there, but which only resulted in a loss of about 20,000 cubic feet of gas and complaints from consumers. The report was accompanied by evidence taken at an investigation by the Committee into the matter, which showed that the foreman James O'Neill, with a gasfitter and two labourers, was working at a connection when the bag was permitted to drop into the pipe, and that he must have been aware of the presence of the bag in the pipe but had not taken any steps to have it removed.

Dismissal of Foreman James O'Neill

Alderman Downey proposed, Councillor Jordan seconding, that O'Neill be dismissed. After a long discussion during which

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which two amendments were proposed and then withdrawn, Councillor M'Ardle moved as an amendment and Councillor J.J. Callan seconded — "that the consideration of the report be postponed until next Council Meeting and that Mr. O'Neill be requested to attend". A Poll was taken when there voted for the amendment:— Aldermen. M'Callough. Councillors:- J.J. Callan, Sheilds, Murray, Carter, Heffington, M'Ardle, and Clarke. (8).
Against the amendment:— Aldermen:- Downey and Keeley. Councillors:- Dolan, Moore, Callaghan, Lynch, Drew, Jordan and M'Guillan. (9.)
The amendment was declared lost, and the Motion was then put and declared carried by 9 votes to 8, those voting against the amendment voting for it while those voting for the amendment voted against the motion.

Report read from Estate Committee as follows:—
To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda
Gentlemen,

The following matters have been dealt with by us as indicated in this our report which we submit for your ~~approvals~~ consideration:

Lease to Anne Crilly Fair St.

(a.) An application was received from Mrs Anne Crilly, Fair Street, for a lease of the premises occupied by her. It was agreed to recommend the Council to grant such a lease for 21 years at the yearly rent of £10, with a clause binding Mrs. Crilly to expend not less than £40 on repairs.

Jas. Irwin's holding Adjustment of area rent

(b.) The question of the adjustment of the area and rent of James Irwin's holding at Legavooran was disposed of at Trim quarter Sessions on the 7th instant, the Mayor and Town Clerk having settled the matter out of Court by having the rent increased to £8:2:6, and the correct area set out in the Lease, the parties to the action to pay their respective costs.

J.J. Connolly Rent of Field "Mutton Park"

(c.) We have fixed a rent of £3 (equivalent to £2 per Irish acre) upon a field known as the "Mutton Park", which is held from you by Mr. J.J. Connolly, the Lease of which has expired.

John Tyler & Sons Ltd Lease to

(d.) We recommend the granting of a lease for 21 years, at the yearly rent of £20 to Messrs. John Tyler & Sons Ltd. of the premises occupied by them in West Street, the Company to expend at least £100 upon putting the premises into repair.

Workmens T. A. Society Putting in of window sill

(e.) We have authorized the Workmens Total Abstinence Society to put in two windows on the East side of their premises in Fair Street.

Thomas Brady L.G.B. Consent to 99 years Lease

(f.) The Local Government Board having expressed their sanction to the granting of a Lease to Mr. Thomas Brady of his premises in Shop Street for 99 years at

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at the yearly rent of £15, we have instructed your Solicitor to prepare the draft Lease.

Boyne Spinning & Weaving Co. Ltd "Alienation Clause" struck out in Marsh mill Lease

(g.) Having carefully considered in all its bearings the request of the Boyne Spinning & Weaving Co., that the usual clause known as the "alienation clause" which is inserted in the Corporation Leases should be omitted from the proposed lease to them of the Marsh Mill premises, we recommend that the request be acceded to.

John Collins' House Trinity St. Repairs to

(h.) We have once again gone into the question of the repairs to John Collins' house in Trinity Street. We do not consider that the Corporation should incur any large outlay unless the tenant is prepared to pay an increased rent, and we therefore recommend that nothing be done to the roof, but that the external and internal walls be plastered where necessary, the woodwork repaired and the drain put in order, the present letting conditions to continue.

Magdalene Park Mr Balfour's offer not accepted.

(i.) On the consideration of Mr. Balfour's offer to hand over to the Corporation a plot of ground containing 1 rood 13 perches, situate between Rope Walk and Magdalene Street, which would be enclosed by an iron railing and planted with ornamental trees and shrubs, it was moved by Alderman Downey, seconded by Councillor Dolan, that a letter be written to Mr. Balfour pointing out that as the plot in question is at present availed of on Fair Days he should allow it to remain an open space. Your Committee were divided on this motion, Alderman Elcock and Curran, and Councillors Moore, J.J. Callan and Jordan with the proposer and seconder voting for it, whilst the Mayor and Councillors Carter, Byrne, Callaghan, Clarke and Lynch voted against it. The motion being carried by 7 votes to 6, it is accordingly recommended to you for approval.

Mayoralty House Income & Expenditure Scale of Charges

(j.) The Town Clerk submitted a statement of the Income and Expenditure of the Mayorally House, together with a scale of charges, for our approval. We approved the scale submitted, and directed that in future a charge should always be made, according to the scale, whenever the rooms are used for meetings or entertainments of any kind, the only exception being the meetings of the St. Vincent De Paul Society, and whenever the Mayor should require the rooms for his own use.

Dated 9th November 1908. Patrick Drew Chairman.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Jordan seconded by Alderman Keeley

Joint Committee of Technical Instruction Auditor's Report of

Communication read from the Local Government Board enclosing copy of the report of their Auditor upon his audit of the Accounts of the Louth County Joint Committee of Technical Instruction for the half year ended 31st March 1908

Ordered

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Ordered that the Town Clerk do look after the matter.

Steam Roller

A Committee consisting of Aldermen Downey, Elcock and McCullough, and Councillors - Jordan, McGuinan McArdle and J. J. Callan was appointed to enquire into and report the desirability of purchasing a Steam Road Roller.

Patrick Drew.

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December 2nd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 2nd day of December 1908.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, J. McCullough, L. J. Elcock,
Councillors:- L. Moore, J. J. Callan, P. Drew (Mayor), E. W. McArdle, and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £51:6:4 examined and passed.

Payments

Payments to the amount of £356:16:2, Borough Fund submitted and ordered. also for £8:11:11 Public Library Account.

Return of Receipts & Expenditure.

Borough Treasurers Return of Receipts for the month ending 30th November, amounting to £306:10:11 submitted.

Street Tree Planting Expenditure on Dublin Road

Report read from Law and Finance Committee stating that they had had under consideration the question of street Tree Planting, when by 5 votes to 4 it was decided to recommend that the matter be not proceeded with.

On the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan it was decided to expend a sum of ~~£30~~ £20 0s 0d on Tree Planting on the Dublin Road.

James O'Neill Application for work

Communication read from James O'Neill Mary Street, who was until recently foreman of the Gas Works, asking to be taken on at some other work.

Ordered that the matter be referred to the Gas Committee.

Copy Regulations (Organization for Unemployed) 1908

Circular Letter of the Local Government Board, enclosing copy of the Regulations (Organisation for Unemployed (Ireland), 1908, submitted. No order made.

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Old Age Pensions Act
Treasury Regulations

Circular Letter of the Treasury on the subject of the Regulations under the Old Age Pensions Act, submitted.
No order made.

Circular Letter from the Captain 5th Res. Dn. Leinster Regiment, relating to the Special Reserve, read. No order made.

Fire Appliances
Purchase of

Ordered that the following Fire Appliances be procured:- 20 pairs Morris' Instantaneous Couplings, 4 Converting Connections for Stand Pipes, 2 hard pipe Connections, 2 blank caps for stand pipes, 1 hand control branch pipe.

Patrick Drew.

1908.
December 16th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 16th day of December 1908.

Present.

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, J. Downey, T. McCullough, L. J. Scott, and J. J. Curran.

Councillors:- L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Callaghan, W. Murray, P. Lynch, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew (mayor), J. Jordan, T. V. McGuillan, and J. Clarke.

In the Chair- His Worship the mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £50:2:1 examined and passed.

Eave Gutter on East side Corn Market
Peter Lyon's Gateway
Granite Setts

Report read from Acting Borough Surveyor intimating that he proposed to renew the eave gutter on the East side of the Corn market, cost about £6; that the heavy traffic over the concrete at Mr. P. Lyons' gateway in Stockwell Lane necessitated laying down granite setts which would cost about £1/17/-; and that the Ordnance Survey Department wished to know the name the Corporation desired to be put on the new Ordnance sheet for Constitution Hill.

Constitution Hill
Name on Ordnance Survey

The report was adopted and an order given that the words "Constitution Hill, otherwise Blind Gate" be put on the map referred to.

Report read from Law and Finance Committee as follows:-

Gentlemen,

G. N. Kelly's Fee
Services to be discontinued

We have had before us an application of Mr. G. N. Kelly, C.E. for payment of £10:10:0 for making a survey of Irwin's holding at Legavooren and attending at Trim Quarter Sessions to give evidence. We considered such a fee out of all proportion to

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to the work done and offered £5:5:0 which he declined to accept; he then placed the matter in the hands of Messrs. Hayes & Sons who wrote threatening to issue a writ within 48 hours if the claim was not satisfied.

In these circumstances we think it best to advise payment rather than incur the cost of legal proceedings, but we are of opinion that the Corporation ought not to again engage the services of this gentleman.

Dated 14th December 1908. Thomas McCullough, Chairman.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Jordan seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan

Annual Revision of Valuation

Letter read from the General Valuation Office intimating that the annual Revision of the valuation of the Borough would be commenced by Mr. A. E. Mills about the 12th December.

Condition of Fence Rathmullen Road

Communication read from Christopher Quaile Rathmullan, drawing attention to the condition of the fence along the road and requesting permission to plant thorn quicks therein.

Ordered that the fence be looked after and that the required permission be given.

Mace Bearer Suit of Clothes

On his application the Mace Bearer was authorized to obtain the usual suit of clothes allowed to him.

Removal of Theatre Potato Market

It was decided to withdraw a notice served on John Duffy requiring him to remove his theatre from the Potato Market, by 7 votes to 4.

Fire Extinguishers for Mayoralty House

It was agreed to order one minimax Hand Fire Extinguishers for the Mayoralty House.

Suspension of Wm Burke's Car Licence

Ordered that the License of Wm. Burke, a Hackney Car Proprietor, be suspended for one month in consequence of his having refused to drive a person

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person to Termonfeckin for the fare prescribed by the Corporation scale.

Purchase of Dublin Corporation Stock.

The Town Clerk having read some correspondence from M. Dillon & Son Stockbrokers regarding the purchase of £500 of Dublin Corporation 3½% Stock and the sale of £300 of India 3½% Stock, the following resolutions were passed unanimously — Proposed by Councillor J. J. Callan seconded by Councillor Matthews:— "That the seal of the Corporation be this day affixed to a Request to the Munster and Leinster Bank Ltd. to open a Corporate Account in the name of the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Drogheda, in the Dublin Corporation Stock Ledgers in respect of the Dublin Corporation 3½ per cent Redeemable Stock"

Proposed by Councillor McGuillan, seconded by Councillor Matthews:— "That the Seal of the Corporation be this day affixed to a Letter or Power of Attorney authorizing Frank Dillon and William Henry Dillon or either of them, both of the City of Dublin Stockbrokers, to sell on our behalf £300 of India £3:10:0 per cent Stock and to receive all interest now due or which shall hereafter become due or payable upon said Stock"

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room Court House at 11 o'clock forenoon on Tuesday the 29th day of December 1908; to consider-(1) "the reduction of the salary of the Mayor for the year 1909 and his successor in view of the great distress amongst the working classes, also to rescind all former resolutions in reference to the Mayor's salary," and 2) "the position of the Corporation in relation to the Conditional Order of Mandamus obtained by Mr. Owen Fox in connection with the recent election of a Caretaker of the Mayoralty House, and to take such steps in the matter as may be deemed expedient."

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P.A. Keeley, T. McCullough, L.J. Elcock,

Councillors:- P. Lyons, L. Moore, J.J. Callan, J. Sheilds, D. Byrne, J. Callaghan, M. Murray, P. Lynch, T. Callan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew (Mayor), E.W. McArdle, D. Jordan, T.V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

A Report from the Law & Finance Committee, of which the following is a copy, was read and adopted on the motion of alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor J.J. Callan:-

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

Caretaker Mayoralty House
Conditional Order of Mandamus by Owen Fox relating to

The Town Clerk brought before us at a meeting held this day copy of a Conditional Order of Mandamus which had been served upon him at the suit of Mr. Owen Fox in connection with the recent election of a Caretaker of the Mayoralty House. The Solicitor to the Corporation was in attendance. The matter was very fully gone into and ultimately on the motion of alderman Elcock, seconded by Alderman Keeley the following resolution was passed unanimously:- "That as the Mayor took the responsibility

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of giving a casting vote in the recent election of Caretaker for the Mayoralty House contrary to the advice of the Town Clerk we the Corporation enter no defence to the proceedings instituted by Mr. Owen Fox.

All of which we submit as our report.

Dated 28th December 1908. Patrick Drew Chairman.

Mayor's Salary Reduction of

Councillor Moore moved, and Alderman Downey seconded - that the salary attached to the office of mayor be reduced to £50 per annum.

Alderman Elcock moved a direct negative which was seconded by alderman Keeley.

A Poll being taken there voted -

For the motion		Against the motion	
Alderman	Downey.	Alderman:-	Keeley
Councillors:-	Jordan		Elcock
	Callaghan		McCullough
	Matthews	Councillors:-	McArdle
	Moore		Sheilds
	Byrne		T. Callan
	Lyons. (7.)		W. Murray
			Clarke
			Carter
			McQuillan
			Lynch
			J.J. Callan (12)

The motion was accordingly declared lost.

Patrick Drew.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Tuesday the 5th day of January 1909.

Present:

His Worship the mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P.B. Keeley, J. McCullough, L.J. Elcock,

Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, J.J. Callan, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, J. Carter, R. Drew, (mayor) E.W. McArdle and A. Jordan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments — Payments amounting to £160:0:3 and £5:2:0 Public Library Account passed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £49:11:7 examined and passed.

Return of Receipts & Expenditure — Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st December, amounting to £457:8:1, submitted.

Granite Setts on footway Magdalene St. — The Acting Borough Surveyor reported that to lay with granite setts the footway opposite Mr. Caffrey's gateway in Magdalene Street that would cost about 30/-.

Ordered that the work be carried out.

Fire Brigade Appliances Purchase of — It was agreed to order 20 pairs of Morris's Instantaneous couplings, 4 converting connectors for Stand pipe, 2 hand pipe connectors, 2 blank caps for Stand pipes, 1 hand control branch pipe for the fire brigade.

Delegates to National Convention — The following were appointed Delegates to the "National Convention": The mayor, alderman McCullough, Downey ~~and~~ Keeley and Elcock; Councillor Jordan.

Communication

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Surcharge Remittance of — Communication read from the Local Government Board enclosing copy of a Sealed Order remitting a Surcharge of £2-5-0 made against Aldermen Downey and Keeley and Councillor Heffington in connection with the payment of wages of men attending Bellewstown Races.

Carnegie Hero Fund Objects of — Circular Letter of the Local Government Board read, enclosing a Circular from the Trustees of the Carnegie Hero Fund setting out the objects of the Fund.

Rate Collection — Further letter of the Board read pointing out that the Rate Collector must proceed energetically with his collection and close it without fail by the 31st March.

The Town Clerk intimated that he had transmitted a copy to the Collector.

Taxation of Land Value — Two Resolutions of the Corporation of Glasgow in favour of the Taxation of Land Values were read and adopted.

Old Age Pensions Act Treasury Regulations — The Town Clerk submitted Circular Letters accompanied by forms and Regulations received from the Treasury in connection with the Old Age Pensions Act.

The Council approved the principle of furnishing accounts by the Pensions Committee direct to the Treasury.

Kelly Loan Extension of period of repayment — A Letter from the Local Government Board relating to the Kelly Loan was read and referred to the Town Clerk to endeavour to have the period of repayment extended.

Magdalene Park Mr. Balfour's offer be accepted. — Pursuant to Notice of Motion Alderman Keeley moved, Councillor Callaghan seconding:- "that this Corporation as representing the citizens of Drogheda, accepts the offer of Mr. D.R.J. Balfour, contained in the letter of his agents, Messrs. Fitzherbert & Son, dated the 16th October 1908, to enclose, plant with ornamental trees and hand over to the Corporation the plot of ground held by him in fee situate between the Rope Walk and Magdalene Street containing one rood and thirteen perches; that that portion of the Leases Committee report dated the 9th November 1908 dealing with the matter be and is hereby rescinded; and that the

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the best thanks of the Corporation be tendered to Mr. Balfour for his public spirited action in handing over the plot of ground referred to to the Corporation in trust for the people of the Town."

The motion was declared carried by 6 votes to 4, alderman Downey not voting.

Patrick Drew,

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January 23rd

Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Saturday the 23rd day of January 1909.

Present.

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- A.P. Keeley, L.J. Elcock, J.J. Maginn and J.J. Curran.

Councillors:- P. Lyons, J. Dolan, L. Moore, J.J. Callan, J. Sheilds, L. Byrne, J. Gallagher, W. Murray, P. Lynch, J. Callan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew (Mayor) W.J. Heffington, E.W. McArdle, L. Jordan, J.V. McQuillen and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Election of Mayor Councillor Thos. Callan elected ✓

Councillor Lynch proposed, and Councillor J.J. Callan seconded, that Councillor Thomas Callan be elected mayor of Drogheda for year ending 23rd January 1910.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

Councillor Callan having thereupon made the Declaration of acceptance of Office and taken the Oath of Allegiance and Oath appertaining to the Office of Justice of the Peace was invested by the outgoing mayor with the Chain of Office and then took the Chair.

Condolence Late Dr. W.J. O'Keeffe

On the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor Carter, a vote of Condolence with the family of the late Dr. W.J. O'Keeffe, Medical Officer of Health, was unanimously passed.

Adjournment

The adjournment of the meeting to the 27th January was then moved by Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor J.J. Callan and carried.

Thomas Callan

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Minutes of an adjourned Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 27th day of January 1909.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- J. Downey, P. P. Keeley, L. J. Elcock.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, F. Byrne, J. Callaghan, T. Callan (Mayor) J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, W. T. Skeffington, E. W. McArdle, S. Jordan & J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £48:15:10 Borough Fund and £7:0:4 Waterworks Department examined and passed.

Quarterly Meetings

On the motion of Councillor Moore seconded by Councillor Drew it was Resolved:- "That the remaining Quarterly Meetings for the year 1909 shall be held at noon on the first Wednesdays of April, July and October".

By-Laws Prosecution

The Market Collector reported Michael McGeehan of Clogher Head had been fined at Petty Sessions 1/- with 1/6 costs for selling fish on the Street.

Repair of Sewer Dublin Gate & Mary St.

Arising out of his weekly report the Acting Borough Surveyor was directed to have the sewer at the junction of Dublin Gate and Mary Street piped and repaired.

Caretaker Mayoralty House Mandamus by Owen Fox New Election for ✓

Report read from Law and Finance Committee stating that following upon the decision of the Council not to show cause against the making absolute of a Conditional Order of Mandamus obtained by Mr. Owen Fox, directing that a fresh election should be held for the position of Caretaker of the Mayoralty House, the Court of Kings Bench had since made the Order absolute; that a Notice had then been served upon the Town Clerk by

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by Mr Fox's Solicitor of intention to move to have the Corporation made liable for the Costs; that the matter having been brought the Committee the mayor had undertaken to pay the costs of the proceedings which had been allowed to drop upon the understanding that the Corporation would proceed to a fresh election.

Agreed to hold the election referred to on the 17th February.

Public Library Tender for repairs &c ✓

Reports read from Public Library Committee intimating that a tender of Mr. Peter McCann at £66:10:0 for repairing the floor of the Reading Room, Passages and Ladies Lavatory of the Library, and making good the woodwork therein in accordance with a Specification of Mr. W. H. Byrne Architect, being the lowest had been accepted; and requesting the Corporation to have the vaults underneath the library ventilated as provided in the Specification the cost being about £13 or £14.

Ventilation of Vaults underneath Library ✓

Alderman Keeley proposed, Councillor Jordan seconding,- that the reports be adopted and that the Corporation do the work of ventilation referred to in addition to the work already agreed to be carried out by the Corporation. The Town Clerk having pointed out that there was a question of legality involved, as in his opinion not more than the proceeds of the penny rate could be expended on the Public Library by the Corporation in any one year, the motion was put and declared carried, Alderman Downey & Councillors McArdle, Carter, Matthews, Clarke, Skeffington & Byrne dissenting.

Solicitor's Bill of Costs Bills to be furnished 2 weeks after 31st Dec. in each year.

Report read from the Committee appointed to deal with the Solicitor's Bills of Costs recommending for approval a settlement which had been arrived at whereby Mr. J. H. McCann would receive £650 in full discharge of all costs to the 31st December 1908, which amounted to £923:9:0 after deducting £290:9:6 paid on a/c. The Committee further recommended that Mr. McCann should be required to furnish his Bills of Costs in each year in future within one fortnight from the 31st Decr.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Drew seconded by Councillor Skeffington.

On the application of Messrs. Smyth & Son Solicitors Consent

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Consent to Mortgage

Consent was given to Miss Mary ~~Mooney~~ Mooney of Dyer Street to Mortgage her interest in the premises No. 15 Dyer Street to Mrs. Kate White.

John's Gate Bank
Complaint re depositing of Street Sweepings at

Letter read from the Secretary Drogheda Harbour Commissioners enclosing copy of a complaint made to that Board by J. St. G. Smith Balls Grove regarding the depositing of Street Sweepings at John's Gate Bank

Ordered that the circumstances be explained to the Commissioners.

Maintenance & Lighting of Quays

Further letter from the Harbour Board, read, together with copy of a report from their Quays Committee, relating to the maintenance and lighting of the Quays, and requesting the Corporation to appoint a Committee to meet a deputation on the subject.

Deputation from Harbour Board re

Proposed by Councillor Wardle, seconded by Alderman Downey and carried— that this Corporation agrees to meet at next Council Meeting the Deputation from the Harbour Board.

Rate Collection

Letter read from the Local Government Board intimating that they would not entertain an application for an extension of time for closing his collection from the Rate Collector if the collection remained unfinished at the 31st March.

The Town Clerk reported that a copy of the letter had been sent to the collector.

Holding of Fairs on Catholic Holidays

Communication read from Rosaree Branch U. I. L. relating to the holding of Fairs on Catholic Holidays.

Ordered that the communication be acknowledged.

Surcharge - P. J. Callan

Letter read from P. J. Callan relative to the costs of the surcharge made against him and others of £2: 5: 0.

No order made.

The Seal of the Corporation was this day ordered to

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Dublin Corporation Stock Transmission of Dividend Warrants

to be affixed to a Request to the Governor and Company Bank Ltd. to transmit Dividend Warrants as they become due on the Dublin Corporation Redeemable Stock standing in the name of the ~~Corporation~~ Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Drogheda to James Curtis Borough Treasurer Drogheda

Weighing Machine Killineer Quarry
Execution of Grant of Wayleave from South County Council

The Seal of the Corporation was also affixed to a Grant of Wayleave from the County Council of Louth to the Corporation authorizing the erection of a weighing apparatus on the roadway at the entrance to the Corporation's quarry at Killineer for a consideration of 1/ per annum and subject to the conditions as therein stated.

Irish Railways & Mineral Rights
Deputation to wait on Mr. J. E. Redmond M.P.

On the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Dolan a Deputation consisting of the Mayor and Councillors Drew, Jordan and J. J. Callan was appointed to wait upon Mr. J. E. Redmond M.P. in relation to the Resolution passed at the Annual Meeting of the County Councils General Council on the subject of Irish Railways and Mineral Rights, and the Town Clerk was directed to ask Mr. Nolan M.P. to attend on the occasion and introduce the Deputation.

Housing Bill
Notice of Motion withdrawn

Councillor Wardle withdrew a Notice of Motion handed in by him relating to the Housing Bill pending a report from the Town Clerk on the matter.

Election of Committees

The Council next proceeded to appoint Committees for the ensuing year.

Councillor Wardle proposed and Councillor Moore seconded— that the whole council do act upon the various Committees where not otherwise provided. Councillor Callaghan moved as an amendment Councillor Heffington seconding— that the Committees be limited in number. The Resolution was declared lost by 9 votes to 4 and the amendment was declared carried by 8— votes to 5.

Combination of Committees

The Town Clerk suggested that the Estate Committee should be combined with the Law & Finance Committee, the business of the Streets and Supplies Committee to be discharged by that Committee, that the Dye Laws

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Bye Laws, Markets and Hackney Carriages Committees should be combined. This was agreed to, and the following Committees were then appointed:

Bye Laws and Markets Committee:
Aldermen:- Maginn, Curran
Councillors:- J.J. Callan, Byrne, M'Ardle, M'Quillan, Dolan, Jordan, Gallagher, O'Keffington.

Estate, Law & Finance Committee.
Aldermen:- Elcock, Downey, Keeley
Councillors:- Moore, Carter, J.J. Callan, Lynch, Dolan, Lyons, Gallagher, O'Keffington.

Gas Works Committee:
Aldermen:- M'Cullough, Elcock.
Councillors:- Jordan, Drew, Murray, Lyons, Gallagher, O'Keffington.

Water Works Committee:
Aldermen:- Downey.
Councillors:- Jordan, O'Keffington, Matthews, Sheilds, Clarke, Gallagher, M'Quillan

Public Library Committee:
Aldermen:- Keeley, M'Cullough,
Councillors:- Clarke, J.J. Callan, Moore, Dolan.
Rt. Rev. Mgr. Segrave, Vy. Rev. Jno. Curry P.P., Rev. Canon Ledoux, Messrs. M.A. Casey, G.E. Porter and M. O'Kierans.

Technical Instruction Committee:
Aldermen:- M'Cullough.
Councillors:- J.J. Callan, Drew, T. Callan (Mayor) M'Ardle, Jordan, M'Quillan.
Rt. Rev. Mgr. Segrave, Vy. Rev. Jno. Curry, Rev. Canon Ledoux, Dr. W. Bradley, Messrs. J. Gray and J.W. Hartinson.

It was agreed to make the Mayor, Ex-officio, a member of all Committees, and not to appoint a Land Purchase Committee.

Thomas Callan

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February 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 3rd day of February 1909.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. Downey, P.P. Keeley, and L.J. Elcock.
Councillors:- L. Moore, J.J. Callan, P. Lynch, T. Callan, (Mayor) J. Carter, P. Drew, E.W. M'Ardle, J. Jordan, J.V. M'Quillan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £46:19:7 examined and passed.

Payments — Payments amounting to £919:15:0 Borough Fund, and £4.6.0 Public Library Account, ordered.

Returns of Receipts — Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 31st January, amounting to £840:9:9 submitted.

Laying of Granite Setts Wellington Quay & Water Table Mell — Report read from Acting Borough Surveyor giving the cost of laying granite setts at the entrance to Mr. Gardiner's Yard Wellington Quay as £3:10:0; and suggesting that the water table at Mr. Clarke's house, Mell, be reconstructed and connected with the sewer leading down Tolerboice Lane.

Granite Setts & Concreting Gateways to be discontinued — It was agreed to carry out the above work, and that in future the Council should not undertake any further the laying of either granite setts or concrete in gateways or across footpaths opposite gateways.

Mayoralty House Fire Extinguishers for — It was agreed to order two of Millers Chemical Fire Extinguishers for the Mayoralty House at £1:5:0 each.

Arterial Drainage — A Resolution of the Barrow Drainage Committee on the subject of Arterial Drainage was read and adopted.

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Education of Deaf Dumb + Blind

A Resolution of the North Dublin Union in reference to the question of the education of the Deaf and the Dumb and of the Blind of the Country was read and adopted.

Councillor Moore's name added to Committees

On the motion of alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan it was agreed to add the name of Councillor Moore to all Committees where possible, and the name of Councillor Lynch to the Gas Committee.

Cour. Lynch on Gas Committee

Ald. Keeley on By-laws + markets Committee

It was also agreed to add alderman Keeley's name to the Bye Laws and Markets Committee.

Thomas Callan.

1909.
February 17th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at noon on Wednesday the 17th day of February 1909.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the mayor.

Aldermen:– J. Downey, P. A. Keeley, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, and J. J. Curran.

Councillors:– P. Lyons, J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. Shields, T. Byrne, W. Murray, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, T. Callan (mayor) J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, W. T. Coffington, E. W. Wardle, T. V. McQuillan, and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Brigade Field Assignment to Drogheda District Show Reserve

The Council consented to an assignment from the Boys Brigade Committee to the Drogheda and District Show Association of the field on the East side of the Windmill Lane known as the Show Grounds.

Wages

Wages amounting to £43:19:3 Borough Fund and £6:19:0 Waterworks Department examined and approved.

Barnattin Reservoir Excavations

Report read from a Sub-Committee which had visited Barnattin Reservoir recommending that as the funds of the Distress Committee had become exhausted, the Council should, in expectation of a further grant from the Local Govt. Board being made, advance the necessary amount for a few weeks to pay the wages of the men engaged at the work of excavation.

The report was unanimously adopted.

"Kelly Loan" L. G. B's refusal to extend period of repayment

Letter read from the Local Government Board declining to extend the period of repayment of the loan to be raised to extinguish the Kelly Loan, beyond 20 years.

Heating + Cleaning of National Schools

A Resolution of the Irish National Teachers Association on the subject of the heating and cleaning of the National Schools and the

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the free supply of books and School requisites to children attending them; and the establishment of free Secondary Schools, was read and adopted.

Irish Language Compulsory subject for matriculation in National New University

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor McQuillan moved:- "That this Corporation approves of the inclusion of the Irish Language as a compulsory subject for Matriculation in the new National University." Councillor Carter seconded the motion.

Resolution carried

A Division being called there voted:-

For the motion:- Councillors:- Lyons, Dolan, Sheilds, Murray, J. Callan (Mayor), Carter, Matthews, Drew, Sheffington, M'Ardle, McQuillan. (11)

Against the motion:- Aldermen:- Keeley, Elcock.
Councillors:- Callaghan, Lynch & Clarke (3).

The motion was declared carried.

The Council considered the applications received for the position of Caretaker of the Mayoralty House.

Caretaker Mayoralty House

Patrick Drew was proposed by Alderman Curran, seconded by Councillor Dolan.
Joseph Brady " " " Councillor Lynch " " Alderman Downey.
Owen Fox " " " Alderman M'Cullough " " Councillor Sheilds.

On the first Poll the voting was as follows:

Drew.		Brady		Fox	
Aldermen:-	Curran.	Aldermen:-	Keeley	Aldermen:-	Elcock
Councillors:-	Drew,		Downey		M'Cullough
	M'Quillan	Councillors:-	Lynch	Councillors:-	Sheilds
	Moore		Callaghan		Carter
	Dolan		Sheffington		M'Ardle
	Matthews		Lyons (6.)		Murray
	J. J. Callan (7.)				Clarke
					Byrne (8.)

Owen Fox elected

A final poll was then taken between Drew and Fox with the following result:

Drew		Fox	
Aldermen:-	Curran, Downey.	Aldermen:-	Elcock, M'Cullough, Keeley.
Councillors:-	Drew, M'Quillan, Lynch, Moore, Dolan, Matthews, Lyons & Mayor. (10)	Councillors:-	Sheilds, Carter, M'Ardle, Murray, Clarke, Byrne, Callaghan, Sheffington. (11)

Owen Fox was declared elected.

Thomas Callan
Chairman.

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February 24th

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at 12-30 o'clock afternoon on Wednesday the 24th day of February 1909; to consider a report of the Town Clerk upon the subject of a Housing Scheme under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) act 1908, and to take such steps and do such acts in connection with the matter as may be deemed expedient.

Present: In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, T. M'Cullough, L. J. Elcock,
Councillors:- P. Lyons, J. Dolan, J. Callaghan, W. Murray, P. Lynch, T. Callan (Mayor), J. Carter, P. Matthews, W. J. Sheffington, E. W. M'Ardle, and J. Clarke.

Housing Scheme Town Clerk's report re

The Notice convening the meeting, and the Report of the Town Clerk were read, together with a Circular Letter of the Local Government Board on the subject of the provisions of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act, 1908.

On the motion of Alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor Sheffington the Report was adopted.

Housing Scheme Loan of £5,000

Whereupon Alderman Keeley moved, Councillor Lyons seconding:- "That the Town Clerk be and is hereby instructed to take all necessary steps and comply with all requisite conditions required by the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1908, in order to obtain the sanction of the Local Government Board and the Board of Works to the Loan of £5,000, for the purpose of erecting ~~Dwellings~~ Houses for the working Classes in the Town of Drogheda."

Motion put and carried unanimously.

Thomas Callan

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March 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 3rd day of March 1909.

Present:- In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley,
Councillors:- L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Shields, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, M. Murray, P. Lynch, T. Callan, (Mayor), J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, W. J. Heffington, E. W. Wardle, S. Jordan, J. Clarke and T. V. McQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of meeting held on 17th February 1909, were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £43:10:11, examined and passed.

Payments

Payments ordered amounting to £1723:0:8, Borough Fund and £4:4:0, Public Library Account.

Return of Receipts

Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 28th February, amounting to £817:19:11, submitted.

Housing Scheme
Application for £5000 to Board of Works

Report read from Town Clerk recommending that the Council should apply to the Board of Works for a loan of £5,000 for the building of Cottages under the consent to borrow £15,000 obtained from the Local Government Board in September 1907.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Callaghan.

Report read from Estate, Law, and Finance Committee as follows:-

Gentlemen,

We have had before us a communication from Messrs. Woolsey, Jameson & Co setting out that they propose to erect new buildings

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buildings upon a plot of ground at the rere of Mr. Austin's premises in West Street which was leased to them by the Corporation a few years ago for 31 years at a rent of £12 per annum & representing that in view of the Council's decision to grant them a new lease for 75 years at £20 per annum of adjoining premises upon which new buildings are in course of erection, a Surrender should be taken and both plots included in the proposed new lease.

Woolsey Jameson & Co to Surrender of Lease so as to include another Lease ✓

We recommend the Council to accede to the application and to make the combined rent £32:10:0, a slight increase being necessary to comply with a legal requirement.

Captains D. & J. Lyons Sanitary arrangements for premises Fair St.

Captains D. & J. Lyons have submitted for approval another plan and specification of proposed sanitary arrangements for premises No. 48 Fair Street. We see no objection to the Council approving of them.

Assignment from Patrick Quinn to Nicho. Winters for premises Bredin St.

Mr. M. J. Kieran, Solicitor, has applied for Consent to an assignment by the Reps. of late Patrick Quinn to Mr. Nicho. Winters, Newfoundwell, of a dwelling house with a plot of land situate at Bredin Street. We have authorized the Town Clerk to endorse the required Consent upon the lease.

Drogheda Show Assn. Letting of waste plot top of Windmill Lane Surrender to be given if required for building purposes ✓

We Drogheda and District Show Association have made application for the waste plot of ground at the top of the Windmill Lane, on the East side, as an adjunct to their Show premises; Upon the clear understanding that in the event of the space being required for building or other purposes it will be surrendered by the Association on six months notice we recommend a Yearly tenancy to them at a nominal rent of 10/ per annum.

Approval of Draft Leases to Mary Mc Donald, Tyler Bros & Thos. Brady ✓

We have approved of Draft Leases unto Mrs. Mary Mc Donald, of premises on the Hungry Hall Road; Messrs Tyler & Sons Ltd, of premis. West Street; and Mr. Thomas Brady, of premises Shop Street, and we have ordered the same to be returned to the Solicitor for the purpose of having engrossments prepared.

Dated 1st March 1909. Thomas Callan Chairman.

On the motion of Councillor J. J. Callan, Councillor Byrne seconding, the report was adopted.

Maintenance of Quays Tender for ✓

Communication read from the Drogheda Harbour Board suggesting that the Corporation should tender for the maintenance of the Quays.

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Councillor Lynch moved and Councillor Drew seconded, that the Council act on the suggestion.

A negative motion was proposed by Alderman Keeley which was seconded by Councillor McArdle.

A Poll was taken on Councillor Lynch's motion as follows:-

For.		Against.
Councillors:- Byrne, Drew, Lynch & Jordan (4)	Alderman:-	Keeley.
	Councillors:-	Moore, J. J. Callan, Sheilds, Callaghan, Murray, Carter, Matthews, Skeffington, McArdle, McQuillan & Clarke. (12)

The motion was declared lost.

School Attendance Comtee. Councillors Moore & Clarke ~~Ald. Elcock~~ appointed on ✓

Councillors Moore and Clarke were appointed members of the School attendance in room of Aldermen Elcock & McCullough.

Concreting ✓

It was unanimously agreed to have the footpath concreted in front of Mr. Peter Connor's new premises on the North Road.

Granite Setts

It was further agreed to lay with granite setts the gateway to a yard in Stockwell Lane in the possession of Mrs. Mary Farrell, one half the cost to be borne by her.

Thomas Callan

1909. March 16th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Tuesday the 16th day of March 1909.

Present: In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, and L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. Dolan, J. J. Callan, F. Byrne, J. Callaghan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, W. T. Skeffington, and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of meetings held on 24th February and 3rd march were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £39:0:1 examined and passed.

Name of Streets ✓

Report read from Acting Borough Surveyor attaching a communication from an Officer of the Ordnance Survey Department, and a letter from the Drogheda Archaeological Committee suggesting that the prefix "Saint" should be placed before the names of certain Streets in the printing of the new Ordnance Maps viz - ~~Sunday~~ Peter Street, James Street, Laurence Street, John Street. The suggestion was approved and the Town Clerk was directed to intimate to the Ordnance Survey Department that the Corporation desired the prefix to be ~~added to~~ placed before the names of those Streets.

Public Library Ventilation of Vaults underneath ✓

Letter read from Archdeacon Segrave suggesting that the Corporation should provide through ventilation from rere to front in the vaults underneath the Public Library by removing the material used in filling up the vaults when the Library was being erected.

Councillor Callan proposed, Councillor Skeffington seconding — that the matter be referred to the Estate, Law & Finance Committee.

Alderman Keeley moved as an amendment, which was seconded by Councillor Byrne, that the request be acceded to and that the work be carried out by the Corporation.

On

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On a Division being taken on the amendment the voting was:-
For:— Aldermen Keeley and Elcock. Councillors:- Dolan, Byrne, Carter, Drew and the Mayor (7.)
Against:— Councillors:- Callan, Callaghan, Matthews, O'Keffington, and Clarke. (5.)

The Amendment was accordingly put and declared carried by the same voting.

Concreting

Application read from Peter Downey, Waterunder, asking that the footpath in front of the Cottages recently erected by him in the Windmill Lane, should be concreted.

Ordered that the application be complied with.

Commercial Reading Rooms Society
Damage to Rooms by Roller Skating Club Dance

Letter read from the Secretary, Commercial Reading Rooms Society, drawing attention to the action of persons at the Roller Skating Club Dance in using the Society's premises without permission.

The Town Clerk was directed to point out that the Corporation could not interfere in the matter.

Main Roads
Order by L.G.B. amending Regulations re.

Circular Letter read from the Local Government Board forwarding copy of an Order amending Regulations in relation to Declarations by County Councils concerning Main Roads.

Ordered that the matter be referred to the State, Lawand Finance Committee.

Irish Transit Question

Pursuant to Notice of Motion His Worship the mayor moved — "That it is inconsistent on the part of the Government, and contrary to the best interests of the Country, that any new legislation should be proceeded with which will vary the position of the Irish Transit Question as it stood when recently investigated by the Vice Regal Commission on Irish Railways, new increase Taxation, and which will create an addition to the number of Railway Companies, or establish any further vested interests pending the issue of the report of that Commission."

Councillor Byrne seconded the motion which was thereupon put and declared carried.

Councillor

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Granite Setts
Occupiers to pay half.

Councillor Drew moved pursuant to Notice — "That applications in future to have gateways paved with Setts by any frontager be done only on the condition that applicant pay half the expense of same."

The following words having been added — "and that in the opinion of the Borough Surveyor the concrete is in a bad way and requires to be renewed", the motion was seconded by Councillor Callan and was declared carried.

Alderman Keeley moved — "that in the case of a frontager who applies for Granite Setts where no concrete exists that the frontager pay the cost between concrete and setts." Councillor Byrne seconded and this motion was also declared carried.

Committee Joint Technical Instruction
Audit

The Town Clerk was authorized to represent the Corporation at the audit of the accounts of the old Joint Committee of Technical Instruction and to employ the Solicitor to the Corporation in the matter if he considered it necessary to do so.

Public Library
Museum in

The Mayor intimated that it was the wish of the Drogheda Archaeological Committee to establish a small museum in the Public Library with the consent of the Corporation and the Public Library Committee.

On the motion of Councillor Carter, seconded by Councillor Byrne the permission of the Corporation was granted.

Thomas Callan

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April 7th

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 7th day of April 1909.

Present: In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen: — J. Downey, C. P. Keeley, L. J. Elcock, & J. J. Curran.
Councillors: — J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Sheild, P. Byrne, J. Callaghan, P. Callan (mayor), J. Carter, B. Matthews, E. W. McArdle, A. Jordan, P. V. McQuillan, and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £38.9.11 examined and passed.

Payments — Borough Fund Payments amounting to £662.13.1, and Public Library Payments amounting to £13.4.11, ordered.

Return of Receipts — Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for month ending 31st March, amounting to £2,455.15.3, submitted and approved.

Councillors Drew & Jordan appointed on Committees — On the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Alderman Downey, Councillor Drew's name was ordered to be added to the Committees for the present year, and Councillor Jordan's name to the Estate, Law & Finance Committee.

Consolidated & Sanitary Rates. — Report read from Estate, Law and Finance Committee recommending that a Consolidated Rate at 4/- in the £, ~~be levied~~ and a Sanitary Rate, in respect of the Water Supply, at 1/6 in the £ be be made and levied in respect of the financial year ending 31st March 1910.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor Moore.

Resolutions re — Councillor Matthews thereupon proposed, Councillor Callaghan seconding — "that we, the Corporation of Drogheda, do order and direct that a Consolidated Municipal Rate be

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made, applotted, levied, assessed, and raised within the Borough of Drogheda, the said rate to be for the service of the year ending the 31st day of March 1910; and to be at the rate of forty eight pence in the pound; to be assessed, levied and raised from and off the owners, occupiers, or tenants of all hereditaments rateable for the relief of the destitute poor in Ireland; thirty pence half penny in the pound of such rate being to meet General District Poor Rate Charges; fifteen pence half penny in the pound thereof to meet Borough Charges (including the maintenance of the Public Works transferred from the late Grand Jury of the County of the Town of Drogheda); one penny in the pound thereof to meet the expenses incurred for the purposes of the Public Libraries Acts; and one penny in the pound thereof to meet the expenses incurred for the purposes of the Technical Instruction Acts."

"And it is hereby further Resolved that a Sanitary Rate of eighteen pence in the pound be made, applotted, levied and raised under the provisions of section 226 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, in manner therein provided to meet the expenses of the Water Supply for the District."

The motion having been put and declared carried, the Rate Book, and Collector's Warrants were duly signed and sealed and the Estimates approved.

Steam Roller & Scarifier — Order for purchase of — Report read from Town Clerk intimating that the Steam Road Roller Committee and the Estate Law and Finance Committee had decided that it would be in the interests of the town to purchase a Roller and Scarafier; and that it had been arranged to obtain One ten ton Compound Steam Road Roller fitted to take Scarafiers and a "Morrison" Scarafier, from Messrs. Aveling and Porter of Rochester, for £1460 upon the following terms: £200 to be paid on delivery, £160 in March 1910, and the balance £100 to be paid in September 1910.

The action of the Committees was approved and it was directed that an order be placed with the Coy. referred to for the Roller and Scarafier on the motion of Councillor Drew seconded by Councillor Jordan.

Public Abbatoir — Report from Estate Law and Finance Committee stating that having considered the question of providing a Public Abbatoir they

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they were unable to recommend the Council to provide one at the present time.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Jordan seconded by Councillor Moore.

Further Report of the Estate, Law and Finance Committee read, recommending that the following Tenders for annual Supplies be accepted:

Tenders for Annual Supplies

For Lime	Charles Sillery, Platten.
" Winding & Regulating Holsel Clock,	Duffner Bros. Shop Street.
" Keeping Harness in repair	John Callan, West Street
" Horse Shoeing,	John Owens Stockwell Lane
" Smith Work,	James Cooney, Peter Street.
" Keeping carts in repair.	Do.
" Printing,	Drogheda Independent Co.
" Stones, Gravel & Sand	Peter Carroll North Road.
" Timber,	T. Murdock & Sons Ltd.
" Oils, Glass &c,	Do.
" Sewer Pipes and Elbows,	Do.
" Slates,	Patrick Wogan Duleek Street
" Cement,	H. Harbinson, West Street
" Bricks,	Henry R. Osborne, Dardistown
" Disinfectants	Luke J. Healy West Street.
" Ironmongery,	Peter Murphy, Do.
" Syphons, Junctions and Bends	Do.

Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Drew seconded by Councillor Moore, Councillor Callan dissenting

Appointment of J. J. Burke as Borough Surveyor

Read, a Report of the Estate, Law and Finance Committee with reference to the position of Borough Surveyor, recommending that Mr. John J. Burke be permanently appointed to that position at a salary of £105 per year, and that the Local Government Board be not asked to sanction the appointment as the Corporation have power under the 3 & 4 Vic. Ch. 108. to make it independently.

On the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Dolan the report was adopted.

The Acting Borough Surveyor reported that two of the Stays

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Injury to Stays of Dominick's Bridge

Stays of Dominicks Bridge had been injured by a log having been caught in the piles and Stays of the bridge during the recent flood.

Ordered that the Stays be repaired.

Expiration of Leases

A Report was read from the Borough Treasurer giving a list of holdings the leases of which had expired on the 25th march.

Public Library Tender for Painting

The Council approved the action of the Public Library Committee in accepting a tender of Mr Peter McCann Fair Street at £12:10:0 for carrying out painting work at the Library.

Vacancy on Old Age Pensions Committee

On the motion of Councillor M'Ardle seconded by Councillor Carter, Councillor Byrne was elected to fill the vacancy in the Old age Pensions Committee caused by the death of the late Councillor Murray.

Roller Skating Club Dance

Communication read from Hon Secretary, Commercial Reading Rooms society on the subject of the Roller Skating Club Dance.

Ordered that the Town Clerk do reply that his previous letter had expressed the views of the Council on the subject.

Dale Brook. Flooding of.

A letter from the Manager of the B. & D. Breweries Ltd. in reference to the condition of the Dale Brook during heavy rains was read and ordered to be referred to the Estate, Law & Finance Committee

Improvement & Development of the Port Conference re

Read, a letter from the Secretary Drogheda Harbour Commissioners intimating that the following Commissioners had been selected to represent the Harbour Board at the suggested Conference in connection with the Improvement and Development of the Port: Messrs. Charles M'Kenny, William B. Hill, Bernard McDonnell, James M'Carthy, William Bannon and Patrick Gorman.

The following were thereupon appointed to represent the Corporation: The Mayor, Aldermen Keeley, M'Cullough, Curran, Councillors Carter, Clarke, M'Guillan, and, on the motion of Councillor M'Guillan seconded by Councillor Matthews, the Town Clerk was directed to invite the

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the Drogheda Chamber of Commerce and the Drogheda Development Association to appoint representatives to take part in the proposed Conference.

Rent of Technical School reduced

Councillor McQuillan proposed, Councillor Jordan seconding — that the Council do consent to reduce the rent of the Technical School premises from £33. to £25 per annum, so as to enable the Technical Instruction Committee to endeavour to obtain an increased Endowment from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction by representing that the Local Contribution would be increased.

Councillor Callaghan proposed as an amendment — that the matter be referred to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

Alderman Keeley having seconded the amendment the same was put to the meeting when there voted — For the amendment — Alderman Keeley; Councillors Byrne, Callaghan and Matthews (4.) Against the amendment — Councillors — Dolan, J.J. Callan, Sheils, T. Callan, (Mayor) Carter, Drew, M'Ardle, Jordan, M'Quillan and Clarke (10) The Amendment was thereupon declared lost and the original Motion put, when the members voting against the amendment voted for the motion, and those voting who voted for the amendment voted against the motion; the motion was accordingly declared carried by 10 votes to 4.

The Town Clerk having pointed out that it would be necessary to do so he was ordered to apply to the Local Government Board for sanction to the proposed reduction. Alderman Keeley desired it to be recorded that his reason for dissenting from the Motion was because he believed it to be illegal.

Thomas Callan

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 21st day of April 1909.

Present. In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. Downey, P.P. Keeley, L.J. Elcock, T.J.J. Curran
Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, J.J. Callan, J. Callaghan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, E. W. M'Ardle, T.V. M'Quillan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Book to be laid on Table before meetings

Ordered that the Borough Surveyor do lay the Wages Book upon the table of the Assembly Room fifteen minutes before the hour of the meeting at which it is intended to be signed.

Killineer Quarry Pumping Water out of

Peter Lennon was authorized to employ men to pump water out of the Quarry at Killineer.

Port Conference Harbour Board only meet Corporation representatives

Communication read from the Secretary, Drogheda Harbour Commissioners, intimating that that Board would only consent to meet representatives of the Corporation at the proposed Conference in connection with the Port.

The Town Clerk was directed to request the Harbour Board to re-consider the matter, and to agree to meet representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and the Development Association as well as the Corporation.

Housing Scheme Loan of £5000

Letter from the Commissioners of Public Works read, pointing out that they would be prepared to consider the application for a Loan of £5000 for the building of Cottages when the Loan had been recommended by the Local Government Board, and that a fresh sanction, in lieu of that to a loan of £20,000 obtained in 1907, was necessary under the Act of 1908.

The Town Clerk was directed to make the necessary application

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application to the Local Government Board and a Deputation consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Elcock, Councillor Drew, and the Town Clerk was appointed to wait upon the latter Board in connection with the matter.

Road Roller

Read, a letter from Aveling and Porter, Rochester, acknowledging order for Road Roller and stating that the work was being put in hands at once.

Rate Collector's Bond L.G.B. approval

A Letter from the Local Government Board, approving the Bond of the Rate Collector was read.

Concreting

On the application of J. W. Moore, Chord Road, it was agreed to have the footpath along St. Catherines Steps concreted this work to be placed upon the next schedule.

Rent of Technical School Draft memorial by Town Clerk and memorial by Alderman Keeley, relating to.

The Town Clerk submitted a Draft memorial in relation to the rent of the Technical School together with a Communication from the Local Government Board enclosing another memorial received by them from Alderman Keeley in connection with the same subject; and also an account prepared by the Borough Surveyor of expenditure on the School.

Consideration adjourned

On the motion of Councillor McQuillan seconded by Councillor Callan it was agreed to adjourn the consideration of the matter for a fortnight.

Thomas Callan

1909 May 5th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 5th day of May 1909.

Present: Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, ~~and~~ L. J. Elcock, and J. J. Curran.
Councillors:- L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Sheilds, J. Callaghan, ~~[illegible]~~, T. Callan (Mayor), J. Carter, B. Matthews, E. W. McArdle, S. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £45:0:4 examined and passed.

Payments

Payments amounting to £482:13:0 Borough Fund, and £18:2:10 Public Library Account, ordered.

Return of Receipts

Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for the month ending 30th April, amounting to £415.9.8, submitted.

Schedule of Concreting Work / Shed for Steam Roller

Report read from Borough Surveyor submitting a Schedule of Concreting work proposed to be carried out; and intimating that the Committee appointed to select a site for storing the Road Roller had decided that a Shed should be erected in the "Old Jaol" premises, at a cost of £30, for the purpose.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor J. J. Callan seconded by Councillor McArdle, and it was ordered that the Windmill Lane footpath be first concreted, ~~and~~ the remaining places to be regulated by the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

Gas Accounts Discount Allowance

Report of Gas Works Committee, recommending the granting of discounts off accounts paid within fourteen days, read.

Slot meters

It was agreed to adjourn the consideration of the matter to next meeting, the Town Clerk meantime to enquire how slot meter ~~[illegible]~~ and

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and other accounts would be dealt with.

Port Conference

Communication from Secretary Drogheda Harbour Commissioners read, intimating that that Board was not willing to meet representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and the Development Association at the proposed Conference relating to the affairs of the Port.

Representatives from Development Assn

Letter also read from the Hon. Secretary, Development Association, giving the names of the Representatives appointed by the Association viz:- Messrs. R.R. Hill, C. Tighe and T. De Selle Ball.

Trades Council

Ordered that the Trades Council be requested to nominate some of its members to take in the proposed Conference.

Gaelic Name-Plates on Streets of town

Letter read from the Hon. Secretary, Drogheda Branch, Gaelic League, forwarding copy of a resolution requesting the erection of Gaelic Name-Plates of the various streets of the town.

Ordered that the matter be referred to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

Limitation of Rates in Urban Districts

Circular Letter from the Town Clerk, Athlone, read, on the subject of the limitation of Rates in Urban Districts and Townships.

The Town Clerk was directed to reply that the Council was in sympathy with the views expressed in the communication.

Sale of Margarine Bill Approval of

Letter read from Denis Kilbride, M.P, enclosing for approval copy of the "Sale of Margarine Bill" introduced by him to prevent the fraudulent sale of Margarine as Butter.

Councillor Callaghan proposed - that the Council do approve the Bill. Councillor Matthews seconded.

Councillor McQuillan moved as an amendment, which was seconded by Councillor McArdle, - that the Bill be not approved.

The motion was declared carried by eight votes to two, Councillors J.J. Callan and Clarke not voting.

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Alterations in townland Boundaries of Killineer Balgatheran & Hill of Rath

The Council approved of certain alterations proposed to be made by the Commissioner of valuation in the townland boundaries of Killineer, Balgatheran and Hill of Rath in consequence of the construction of Darrattin Reservoir.

Old Age Pensions Comtee Vacancy

Read, a letter from the clerk of the Old Age Pensions Committee, pointing out that a Vacancy had been created through the non-attendance, for a period of six months, of Councillor Keffington.

The Town Clerk was directed to communicate with Mr. Keffington and to bring the matter forward at next meeting.

Technical School memorial to L.G.B. for reduction of rent of

The proposed Memorial to the Local Government Board for the reduction of the rent of the Technical School premises was submitted, together with a copy of the communication forwarded to the Local Government Board by Alderman Keeley, and a report of the Technical Instruction Committee on the subject.

Councillor McQuillan proposed, Councillor Jordan seconding, - that the memorial be and is hereby approved.

Alderman Keeley proposed as an amendment - that the Memorial no statement being forthcoming from the Technical Instruction Committee be not approved. Councillor Callaghan seconded.

On a Poll there voted on the amendment:

For. — Alderman — Keeley, Curran.
Councillors — Moore, Callaghan, Matthews. (5)

Against. — Alderman - Elcock
Councillors — J.J. Callan, Shields, T. Callan, Carter, McArdle, Jordan McQuillan, Clarke (7)

The amendment was declared lost and the motion then put, the members voting against the amendment voted for the motion, and those voting for the amendment voted against the motion; the motion was accordingly declared carried.

Alderman Keeley thereupon moved:— "that the Town Clerk be instructed to intimate to the L.G.B., in reply to their communication of the 19th April that the statements contained in the memorial of the 8th April signed by twelve members of the

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the Council are correct in substance and in fact.
Councillor Callaghan having seconded the motion the same was put when Alderman Curran voted in favour of it with the proposer and seconder. Councillors - J.J. Callan, Sheilds, T. Callan, Carter, McArdle, Jordan, McQuillan and Clarke voted against the motion and it was accordingly declared lost.

It was agreed that the record of the voting would be transmitted to the Local Government Board.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 19th day of May 1909.

Present: In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley, ~~T.J. Elcock, and J.J. Curran~~ and T.J. Downey.
Councillors:- L. Moore, J.J. Callan, ~~J. Sheilds~~, J. Callaghan, J. Carter, ~~P. Matthews~~, ~~E. McArdle~~, ~~J. Jordan~~, J.V. McQuillan, ~~and~~ J. Clarke, and P. Drew.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, additional words having first been added on page 166 to the amendment of Alderman Keeley.

Wages

Wages amounting to £118:19:7 examined and passed.

Direction Pat Corner Peter St.

Report read from Borough Surveyor suggesting that the Deputation to wait on the Local Government Board re Cottages Scheme should inspect Direction Pats in Dublin so as to decide upon a suitable one for the Corner of Peter Street.

It was decided to first select a site for the contemplated Pat.

Main Roads

Retiring allowance to Mrs. Kate Kelly Caretaker Mayoralty House

Purchase of Horse

Report of Estate, Law and Finance Committee read, recommending that no action be at present taken regarding the amending Order of the Local Government Board dealing with Main Roads; that a Retiring allowance of 2/6 per week be granted to Mrs. Kate Kelly, the late caretaker of the mayoralty House; and intimating that a sub-Committee consisting of the mayor and Councillors Jordan & Lyons had been appointed to purchase a Horse at the 12th of May Fair.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Drew, seconded by Councillor Callan.

Gas Works
Discount allowance off Gas a/cs.

The consideration of the Report of the Gas Works Committee relating to proposed Discounts was further adjourned pending a reply to the Town Clerk's letter to the Secretary of the Gas Works Department.

Communication

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Port Conference Trades Council rep.

Communication from Secretary, Drogheda Trades Council, read, intimating that Messrs. J. Carter, T. Collins and A Dollard had been selected to represent that Council on the proposed Port Conference.

Sale of Dog Licences

Letter read from Registrar of Petty Sessions clerks, to the effect ~~that~~ that £23:15:1 had been paid over to the Borough Treasurer as the proportion due to Drogheda from the sale of Dog Licences.

Councillor Skeffington appointed on Old Age Pensions Committee

Councillor W. J. Skeffington was unanimously re-appointed a member of the Old age Pensions Committee, on the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor Callan.

Resolution re Increased Imperial Taxation

A Resolution, protesting against the proposal to further increase the Taxation of Ireland contained in the Budget at present before Parliament, was proposed by Councillor McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Callan and carried unanimously.

Leases sealed unto:
Mary McDonald premises Hungry Hall Rd

The following Leases were this day attested and sealed.—

1. Unto Mary McDonald, Camp Street Dundalk, Widow, the guardian of Thomas Joseph Richardson and Peter James Richardson, minors, of Premises with Cottages, buildings and erections thereon situate on the South side of the Hungry Hall Road containing in front 152 feet, on the East side 174'6"; on the West side 197 feet and in the rere 162 feet; bounded on the North by the Hungry Hall Road on the South and East by the property of E. De Selle Dall and on the West by Corporation property in the occupation of L.D. Connolly.

Boyne Spinning & Weaving Co. premises Mayer's Mill.

2. Unto the Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co. Ltd. of Premises known as the Marsh Mill Premises situate on the North side of the Marsh Road or James Street, for a term of 75 years from the 29th Septr. 1907 at the yearly rent of £60, £500 to be expended upon buildings and Insurance £7000.

John Jameson & Son Ltd. Plot with Buildings Dyer St.

3. Unto John Jameson and Son Ltd. of Plot with the buildings thereon on the North side of Dyer Street for a term of 75 years from the 25th March 1909 at the yearly rent of £20. Expenditure £ Insurance £ Former Lease dated and No. Surrendered.

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4. Unto John Jameson and Son Ltd. of Store with the appurtenances situate off the North side of Dyer Street thereunto belonging, for a term of 75 years from the 25th March 1909 at the yearly rent of £12:10:0. Expenditure £500. Insurance £500. Former Lease No dated surrendered.

Thomas Callan

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 2nd day of June 1909.

Present. In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- P.C. Keeby,
Councillors:- L. Moore, J.J. Callan, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, J. Carter, B. Matthews, Ed. Ward, T.V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £48.9.10 examined and passed.

Payments — Borough Fund Payments amounting to £145.7.11 and Public Library Payments amounting to £5.14.9 ordered.

Purchase of Hay — A Committee consisting of the Mayor, with Councillors Lyons, Lynch, and Jordan, was appointed to purchase Hay.

Car Inspectors Annual Report — Annual Report of Car Inspector read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Keeby seconded by Councillor Moore. The Town Clerk to issue printed notices to each carman intimating that after one week summonses would be issued against anyone found driving for hire without a license.

Cost of Alterations to Borough Treasurer's Office Caretaker's apartments Mayoralty House Shed for Road Roller Concreting Green Lane — Report of Borough Surveyor read, stating that alterations to the ~~Borough Surveyor~~ Treasurer's Office would cost about £5; that the flooring of the Caretaker's apartments in the Mayoralty House would be finished that week; that the Shed for the Road Roller would afterwards be proceeded with; that the concreting of the footpath on the south side of Green Lane would be commenced before next meeting.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore seconded by Alderman Keeby.

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Gas Works Committee Report adjourned — The consideration of Report of the Gas Works Committee was adjourned to next meeting pending the attendance of the Secretary to answer queries.

Housing Scheme — Letter read from the Local Government Board requesting to be informed of the views which the Deputation appointed in connection with the proposed Housing Scheme wish to lay before them.

The Town Clerk was instructed to reply.

Cottage Loan Balance Loan of £4,500 from Board of Works — A letter was read from the Commissioners of Public Works in relation to the application for a loan of £4,500 to repay to the Bank of Ireland the Cottage Loan balance.

The consideration of the matter was deferred.

Port Conference Chamber of Commerce representatives — Communication from the Secretary Chamber of Commerce read, intimating that the Chamber had appointed Messrs. Elcoat, Harbinson, Whitrod and Capt. Kirwan as its representatives on the proposed Port Conference.

The Town Clerk was directed to write to the Harbour Board suggesting that the first meeting should take place in the Mayoralty House on the 21st June.

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June 16th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 16th day of June 1909.

Present. In the chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. Downey, C.P. Keeley, J.J. Maginn and J.J. Curran.
Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, J.J. Callan, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, S. Jordan, J.V. McQuillan, and John Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £48:1:10 examined and passed.

Boro' Surveyor's illness Doctor's Certificate — Certificate of Dr. George Hamill, that the Borough Surveyor was suffering from Diarrhoea and unable for duty for one week, read.

Gas Works Discount allowances off Gas A/cs adopted — Report read from Gas Works Committee recommending that the present scale of Discounts be terminated and a new scale be fixed as follows, to take effect as from the 25th June 1909:-

In consumptions of 100,000 cubic feet to 250,000 cubic feet per annum a discount of 2½ per cent, 250,000 cubic feet and upwards a discount of 5 per cent. In addition a discount of 5 per cent on all accounts paid within fourteen days of ~~presentation~~ delivery of account

A discount according to scale to be allowed the Corporation and Harbour Board for Public Lighting.

Prepayment Meters to be altered to give Gas at 4/- per 1000 cubic feet, being equivalent to the discount to ordinary consumers for prompt payment.

Subject to Slot meters not being altered as suggested but, instead, that a ½penny in every shilling be returned to the Consumer, the report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Keeley

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Keeley, seconded by Councillor McQuillan.

Report read from Estate, Law and Finance Committee as follows:-
To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda
Gentlemen,

Subject to your approval we have disposed, in the following manner, of the various properties enumerated in the Borough Treasurer's Report of leases expiring at the 25th March 1909.

Leases to Mrs. C.E. Simpson ✓ — Mrs. C. E. Simpson, Laurence Street, premises Laurence Street, Lease for 31 years, yearly rent £26.

Patk. Murphy, Mawingo — Patrick Murphy, land with cottage at Manimore, yearly tenancy £2.

Wm Bannon, West St ✓ — William Bannon, West Street, yards Old Abbey Lane, Lease for 31 years, yearly rent £7.

Jas. Malone, West St ✓ — James Malone, West Street, yard Old Abbey Lane, Lease 31 years, yearly rent £6.

Patk Reilly, Do. ✓ — Patrick Reilly, West Street, yard Old Abbey Lane, Lease 31 years, yearly rent £3.10.0

Patk. McEvoy Do. ✓ — Patrick McEvoy, West Street, yard Old Abbey Lane, Lease 31 years, yearly rent £3.

Peter McLaun, Cottages Old Abbey ✓ — Peter McLaun, Fair Street, Cottages and yard, Old Abbey Lane, Lease for 75 years, yearly rent £1. Two new cottages to be built.

Mrs. Donoughe, Old Abbey ✓ — Mrs. Donoghue, yard, Old Abbey Lane, Lease 31 years, yearly rent £1.10.0.

Weekly tenements, Do ✓ — Two Weekly tenements Old Abbey Lane, rents 1/3 and 1/- respectively.

& Patrickswell Lane ✓ — Blacksmith's forge, Patrickswell Lane, weekly rent 4/8.

Weekly tenement, Patrickswell Lane, rent 1/-

Mr. McQuaile, Store rere West St. ✓ — Michael McQuaile, West Street, portion of store at rere of No. 77 West Street, Lease 31 years, yearly rent £6.

W. J. McQuillan ✓ — Wm J. McQuillan, West Street, premises No 77 West Street, Lease for 31 years, yearly rent £26, £30 to be expended on repairs.

Sarah Galbraith, Old Abbey House &c. ✓ — Mrs. Sarah Galbraith, Abbey House, Abbey House and premises, Lease for 31 years, yearly rent £26, £170 to be expended on repairs.

Sisters of Mercy, premises Dublin Rd ✓ — Sisters of Mercy Dublin Road, premises Dublin Road, Lease for 31 years, yearly rent £15, £140 to be expended on repairs; or, with the concurrence of the Local Government Board, a sale of these premises for £375 being 25 years purchase of the rent fixed.

Sale for £375 if L.G.B. consent obtained

Two cottages, Marsh Road, weekly rents 1/4 and 1/0 respectively.

Weekly tenements Marsh Rd — James Smyth Solicitor Laurence Street, premises Laurence Street.

Jas. Smyth, Solr. from. Laurence St — In this case your Committee were divided as to what the rent should be, a proposition fixing the rent at £25 being carried by five votes to four votes in favour of an amendment to fix

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Gaelic Name Plates on Streets

fix the rent at £21, £12 to be expended on repairs.

We have had under consideration the application of the Gaelic League for Gaelic Name Plates of the Streets of the town to be erected, and we recommend that in all cases where the names of Streets are being erected that the request of the Gaelic League be complied with.

Concreting

We have considered the Schedule of Concreting Work proposed to be carried out, and we recommend that the Green Lanes footpath be concreted after Windmill Lane, and then the footpath on the North side of the marsh Road, which we consider sufficient for the present season.

11 months letting to James Birch, plot Coola Bridge

We have also arranged an 11 months letting at 10/- to Mr. James Birch of a plot handed over by the Gt. Northern Railway Co. situate at Coola Bridge on the East side of the Dearnore Road.

Capts. D. & J. Lyons approval of Plans &c.

In compliance with a requirement of the Town Tenants Act the Borough Surveyor has approved of Plans, specification and tender for alterations proposed to be carried out by Captains D. & J. Lyons to premises No. 48 Fair Street.

Dated 14th June 1909. Thomas Callan Chairman.

Jas. Smyth. Solicitor Reduction in rent

On the motion of Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Callaghan, the rent of Mr. James Smyth's premises Laurence Street was fixed at £21.

W. J. McQuillan Reduction in rent

Councillor Callan proposed, Alderman Maginn seconding that the rent of Mr. Wm. J. McQuillan's premises West Street be fixed at £20. Motion put and declared carried with Alderman Keeley, and Councillors Callaghan and Carter dissenting.

Alderman Curran thereupon moved that the Report, subject as affected by the foregoing motions, be adopted. Councillor Drew having seconded the motion was declared carried Alderman Keeley dissenting from the recommendation relating to the Abbey Road

Port Conference meeting

Communication read from Secretary Harbour Commissioners intimating that Monday 21st June was a suitable date for the first meeting of the proposed Port Conference, but that the Commissioners wished it to take place in the Harbour Office.

It was agreed to meet the wish of the Commissioners.

On the application of Messrs. Smyth & Son Solicitors, consent was

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Assignment by Rose MacMahon to Patk. Smith

was granted to an assignment by the Administratrix of Rose MacMahon deceased to Patrick Smith Victualler Stockwell Lane of Premises situate at the Old Abbey.

Reinstatement of Joseph Loudon under Evicted Tenants Act 1907

The Council unanimously adopted a Resolution passed by the County Council of Louth advocating the claims of Joseph Loudon to be reinstated under the Evicted Tenants Act 1907.

Head Const. Donovan Promotion of

The Council also approved of a Resolution of the Corporation of Sligo relating to the promotion of Head Constable Donovan

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July 7th

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 7th day of July 1909.

Present: In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. Downey, P. P. Keeley, L. J. Elcock,
Councillors:- P. Lyons, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, C. Jordan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £52:13:5 examined and passed.

Payments — Borough Fund Payments amounting to £547:13:4 and Public Library Payments amounting to £4:4:0 ordered.

Bellewstown Races meeting adjourned — On the motion of Alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor Moore it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting for one week this day being one of the days of Bellewstown Races.

Thomas Callan

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Minutes of an adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 14th day of July 1909.

Present: In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, L. J. Elcock,
Councillors:- L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Callaghan, P. Tallan, P. Drew, E. W. Wardle, C. Jordan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £47:12:11 examined and passed.

Councillor Tallan appointed on Gas Works Committee — It was unanimously agreed to add Councillor Tallan's name to the Gas Works Committee, on the motion of Councillor Callaghan, seconded by Councillor Callan.

Road Roller — The Town Clerk reported that the Road Roller had arrived, and that it would be necessary to employ a couple of men to work it.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to employ such men, and it was decided to refer any other matters connected with the Roller to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

Bryanstown Lane Cost of repairs to — Report read from Borough Surveyor intimating that he had examined Bryanstown Lane, and that to put it into repair would necessitate an expenditure of £30.

A Committee consisting of the Mayor, with Councillors - Jordan, Drew, Tallan, Clarke and Callaghan was appointed to inspect and report.

Public Library &c. Interest on — Letter read from the agent Bank of Ireland, Drogheda acquainting the Council that £1:8:6 had been credited to the Public Library Account as interest for the half year ending 30th June.

Old Jail premises Cottage Hospital Fete — It was agreed, on the application of the Hon. Secs., to lend the Old Jail premises to the Drogheda Cottage Hospital Committee to

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to hold a Fete there in aid of the funds of the Hospital about the middle or end of September.

Notice of Audit

Communication read from J. A. Reddy, Local Government Auditor, intimating that he would commence the audit of the accounts for the financial year ending 31st March 1909, on the 13th July 1909 at 10.30 o'clock.

Industrial Conference

The Mayor and the Ex-Mayor were selected to represent the Council at the Industrial Conference to be held in Belfast on the 4th and 5th August.

Magdalene Park

Letter read from Henry C. Fitzherbert, in reference to the plot at Magdalene Street which Mr. A. J. Balfour is having enclosed and planted to hand over to the Corporation, enquiring what amount of care the Corporation could give to the upkeep of it.

The Town Clerk was directed to reply that the place would be looked after in the best possible manner.

South Joint Committee of Technical Instruction Auditor's Report on

Communication read from the Local Government Board enclosing a copy of the Report of their Auditor, together with attested Abstracts of the account, on his audit of the accounts for the final period, of the South County Joint Committee of Technical Instruction

No order made.

Concreting

Application read from A. J. McCullough, Thos. Greaser, and Mary Mackittrick asking that the footpath on the South side of the Chord Road from the corner of Constitution Hill for about 70 yards be concreted.

It was agreed to comply with the request provided that after the Marsh Road work had been finished a sufficient balance of the £200 set aside for concreting would remain.

Irish Transit Question Copies resolution to be included in Royal Commission's final report

Communication read from the Secretary of the Vice Regal Commission on Irish Railways intimating that the Commission had decided to include the Resolution of the Corporation on the Irish Transit Question in the appendix to their final report.

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Car Inspector's Report re Driver's plying for hire without Licence &c

It was decided to refer to the Bye Laws and Markets Committee a report of the Car Inspector dealing with persons plying for hire without a license at Bellewstown Races; a memorial from some of the Carmen regarding entrance to the Railway Station, and an explanation letter from William Reynolds of the conduct of his driver as complained of by Mr. Abbot.

Leases sealed to:
L. J. Branigan, Tylerstown
Wm & Thos. Brady

Leases were this day attested and sealed unto Laurence J. Branigan of premises Shop Street, Tyler & Sons Ltd. of premises West Street, and Thomas Brady of premises Shop Street.

Workmens T. A. Society
Right of way
attested & sealed to Lease

An Endorsement on the Lease to the Workmens Total Abstinence Society of premises Fair Street giving a Right of Way to Fair Street through adjoining premises was also attested and sealed.

P. J. Kelly, Chairman

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 21st day of July 1909.

Present: In the Chair – ~~His Worship the Mayor~~ Alderman P. P. Keeley.
Aldermen:– J. Downey, and J. J. Curran.
Councillors:– L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Callaghan, P. Tallan, J. Carter, E. W. McArdle, S. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Bryanstown Lane Repairs to

Report read from Committee appointed to inspect Bryanstown Lane recommending that notices be served to have the dyke cleared and scoured, and that the ruts in the portion of the lane within the Borough Boundary be filled up and the drain from the well cleared.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore seconded by Councillor Callan.

~~On the application of the Hon. Secs. it was agreed to lend to the Drogheda Cottage~~

"Kelly Loan" Application to Bank of Ireland for advance

Letter read from the Local Government Board intimating that the Treasury would not lend money to pay off the Kelly Loan.

The Town Clerk was directed to make application to the Bank of Ireland for the advance required.

Standing Orders

The Council had under consideration draft Standing Orders which were altered in the following respects and ordered to be again brought forward for approval as amended—

The hour of meeting was changed from noon to 4 o'clock p.m. on the motion of Councillor McArdle seconded by Councillor Clarke; carried by 5 votes to 3. The word "unanimous" on the second line of No. 17 was struck out. The words "in his absence" in No. 21 were struck out. The word "majority" was substituted for the words "not less than ten members" in No. 23. The words "nine

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"nine members including the Chairman" were substituted for the words "eight in number" in No. 37. On the motion of Councillor McArdle seconded by Councillor Clarke, which was carried by 5 votes to 4, the provision for the election of officers by Ballot was deleted. A proposal of Councillor McArdle, seconded by Councillor Clarke, to exclude the Estate, Law and Finance Committee from the provision in No. 37, and to make it a Committee of the whole Council instead, was defeated by 5 votes to 4.

John Downey

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August 4th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 4th day of August 1909.

Present: In the Chair – Alderman J. Downey.
Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley,
Councillors:- L. Moore, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, J. Carter, B. Matthews, W. J. Heffington, E. W. Wardle, and J. Clarke.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £5.5.0 examined and approved.

Payments — Borough Fund Payments amounting to ~~£632.7.1~~ £705.10.10 and Public Library Payments amounting to £4.4.0 ordered.

Return of Receipts — Borough Treasurer's Return of Receipts for month ending 31st July, amounting to £676:10:7, submitted.

Report read from Estate, Law and Finance Committee as follows:-
Gentlemen,

Lease to Mrs. Sarah Galbraith of premises Old Abbey

Since our last report to you we have had communications before us from Mrs. Galbraith, the C. Band Drogheda Brewery Co. and the Munster and Leinster Bank Ltd. regarding the proposed Lease of the Abbey House premises. Having again carefully considered the letting of these premises we recommend that a lease for 21 years, at the rent already agreed upon - £26 - be granted to the tenant in occupation, Mrs. Sarah Galbraith, with a clause binding her to expend £150 on repairs instead of £170 as previously decided upon.

Dated 28th July 1909. Thomas Callan, Chairman.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Moore seconded by Councillor Heffington.

Supply of Coal to Caretaker's Corp. Buildings — Application from Caretakers of Corporation Buildings for annual supply of Coal read.

Ordered

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Ordered that Tenders be invited for the usual supply.

Carsat Drogheda Railway Station Regulation of — Letter read from General Manager, Great Northern Railway Co., in relation to the regulation of Cars attending the Drogheda Railway Station.

The Town Clerk was directed to interview the General Manager on the matter.

List of Tenements for Revision of Valn — The Town Clerk submitted Lists of Tenements requiring Revision of Valuation.

The lists were approved.

Thomas Callan

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August 18th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House at noon on Wednesday the 18th day of August, 1909.

Present: In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley
Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. Shield, J. Carter, W. I. Skeffington, S. Jordan, and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £56: 1: 10 examined and approved.

Condolence Ald. J. Downey

Councillor Skeffington proposed, Councillor Jordan seconding that a vote of Condolence be passed with the family of the late Alderman J. Downey, and that as a mark of respect to his memory the meeting do adjourn.

The motion put and declared unanimously carried.

Thomas Fallan

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September 1st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 1st day of September 1909.

Present: In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, T. McCullough,
Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, S. Byrne, P. Lynch, J. Carter, B. Matthews, A. Drew, W. I. Skeffington, S. Jordan, and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £56.4.3 examined and passed.

Payments

Borough Fund Payments amounting to £1538:3:7 and Public Library Fund Payments amounting to £16:17:7 passed.

Waterworks Plumber to assist Boro. Surveyor in superintendence

Report of Borough Surveyor read, requesting that the Water Works Plumber be directed to assist him in looking after the men engaged upon the Streets and Roads.

Ordered that the request be complied with.

Regulation of Hackney Carriages

Report read from Car Inspector intimating that a driver named Peter Byrne had refused to obey his directions.

Ordered that Byrne be cautioned, and that a meeting of the Bye Laws and Markets Committee be convened to consider generally the Regulation of Hackney Carriages.

Housing Enquiry separate from Baths Scheme

M.O. Health's Report on insanitary Dwellings

Report of Estate, Law and Finance Committee read, recommending that the Housing Scheme Enquiry be taken separately and not included with the Public Baths Scheme, and that the Medical Officers of Health be requested to furnish a detailed report of the number of insanitary dwellings in their respective districts which should be closed in order to show at the Enquiry

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Enquiry the necessity for improved dwellings for the working classes.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor Carter.

Bettystown Race Holidays for workmen

On their application it was agreed to allow the workmen a holiday on the day of Bettystown Races in consequence of their usual holiday on the 15th August falling on a Sunday.

Retiring allowance to Mrs. Kate Kelly L.G.B. no sanction yet

2/6 per week allowed

Letter read from the Local Government Board intimating that they did not appear to have any functions in the matter of a Retiring Allowance to Mrs. Kate Kelly lately caretaker of the Mayoralty House.

Ordered that in the circumstances Mrs. Kelly be paid a sum of 2/6 per week as a Retiring allowance.

Condition of Footpath Mell

Letter read from Thomas Carry, Mell in relation to the condition of footpaths in that locality.

No order made.

Housing Working Classes Act 1908 & Licensing of Motor Boats

Circular Letters from the Local Government Board and the Board of Trade relating to the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1908, and the Licensing of Motor Boats respectively were submitted, upon the reading of which no order was made.

Bee Pest Prevention Act 1908

A Circular Letter from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction on the subject of the Bee Pest Prevention Act 1908 was ordered to be referred to the Estate Law and Finance Committee.

Labourers Cottage Scheme Plot Tonrath

The Seal of the Corporation was affixed to a Receipt for £16:13:3 in respect of Purchase Money for the acquirement of a Plot at Tonrath by the Louth Rural District Council of Drogheda Union under a Labourers Cottage Scheme.

Alderman Keeley was, on the motion of Cllr. Moore

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Moore, seconded by Councillor Callan, unanimously appointed to a vacancy in the Old age Pensions Committee caused by the death of the late alderman Downey.

Housing Enquiry Withdrawal of N. of motion re

Councillor Carter withdrew a Notice of Motion of Councillor Wardle regarding the Housing Scheme Enquiry.

Hauke from family Ald. Downey for vote of Condolence

Communication read from the family of the late Alderman Downey thanking the Council for its vote of Condolence.

Thomas Callan

Draft Standing Orders

The Council had under further consideration the draft Standing Orders.

Councillor Heffington moved that clause be so amended as to have the Mayor Chairman of all Committees.

Councillor Byrne seconded the motion.

Alderman Keeley proposed as an amendment that the clause be not altered, which was seconded by Cllr. Carter.

On a Division there voted

For the Amendment: Aldermen: Keeley and McCullagh.
Councillors: Carter, Matthews and Clarke. (5)

Against the Amendment: Councillors:- Dolan, Callan, Byrne, Lynch, Mayor, Drew, Jordan and Heffington. (8.)

The amendment was declared lost. The Resolution was then put and declared carried; and the Town Clerk was directed to have the Standing Orders altered in accordance with the Resolution and again circulated amongst the members of the Council.

Thomas Callan

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September 14th

Special meeting in mayoralty House to confer Freedom of Borough on Captain O'Meagher Condon and John O'Callaghan

Minutes of Proceedings of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Ball Room of the Mayoralty House at 3-30 o'clock in the afternoon on Tuesday the 14th day of September 1909; "to present an Address of Welcome, and confer the Freedom of the Borough upon Captain O'Meagher Condon and Mr. John O'Callaghan, in recognition of their distinguished services to Ireland".

Present: In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor

Aldermen: – ~~[illegible]~~, T. McCullough and J. J. Curran

Councillors: – P. Lynch, S. Jordan, B. Matthews, J. Dolan, F. Byrne, P. Drew, J. Clarke, E. W. McArdle, W. T. Skeffington, J. J. Callan, T. V. McQuillan and J. Carter.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

The Town Clerk next read the Address of Welcome

Councillor Skeffington thereupon moved: –

Captain O'Meagher Condon & John O'Callaghan Honorary Freemen of Borough

"That we, the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, in "exercise of the powers conferred by the Municipal Priviledge "Act, Ireland, 1876, do hereby elect and admit Captain "Edward O'Meagher Condon, and John O'Callaghan Esquire, "to be Honorary Burgesses of the Borough of Drogheda; "and that these gentlemen be now asked to subscribe their "names to the Roll of Honorary Freemen".

Councillor Jordan having seconded the motion the same was put and carried with acclamation.

Captain Condon and Mr. O'Callaghan then subscribed their autographs to the Roll of Honorary Freemen after which both gentlemen returned thanks.

Thomas Callan

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September 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 15th day of September 1909.

Present. In the Chair – His Worship the mayor.

Aldermen: – P. P. Keeley,

Councillors: – J. Dolan, L. Moore, F. Byrne, J. Callaghan, P. Tallan, B. Matthews, P. Drew and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £55:1:9 examined and approved.

On the motion of Councillor Drew, seconded by Councillor Byrne, Councillor Tallan's name was ordered to be added to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

School Attendance Committee Annual Report

Annual Report of School Attendance Committee read, intimating that since November 1908 – when the School Attendance Officer took up Office – the attendance at the various Schools had increased by 1401, from 2241 to 2642; that only 6 notices had been served; that the Central Schools William Street had been closed; that Messrs. Thomas Reilly and James Davis West Street, had been appointed to vacancies in the Committee, and that they had re-appointed Mr. J. B. Connolly as Secretary and Mr. Patrick Shanley as School Attendance Officer.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Dolan, seconded by Councillor Matthews.

Cottage Hospital Fete

Communication read from the Hon. Secs. Drogheda Cottage Hospital requesting the Council to attend and declare the Garden Fête open on the 21st September.

On the motion of Councillor Byrne, seconded by Councillor Moore, it was agreed to accept the invitation.

Letter read

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Letter read from the Local Government Board suggesting that the Rate Collector should be required to proceed more energetically with the collection so as to have it closed by the 30th September.

Ordered that a copy be transmitted to the Collector.

Revision of Valuation Supplemental List

The Council approved of a Supplemental List of Tenements requiring Revision of Valuation.

Thomas Callan

1909. October 6th.

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 6th day of October 1909.

Present. In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. P. Kelley, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Maginn and J. J. Curran.
Councillors:– J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. Shields, F. Byrne, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, J. Carter, S. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £47:2:3 examined and passed.

Payments

Payments amounting to £686.1.0 Borough Fund, and £5.4.0 Public Library, Ordered.

Steam Rolling & Concreting

Report read from Borough Surveyor stating that the Dublin Road from James' Gate to McGrath's Lane, 10,860 sq. yds., had been Steam Rolled; that 1448½ sq. yards of concrete footpaths at a cost of £202.9.4 had been laid; that the steps leading from the back of St. Marys Church to the Dale were in a dangerous condition and he proposed to renew them in concrete at a cost of £12.

A Committee consisting of Councillors Lynch, Jordan, Callaghan and Byrne was appointed to inspect the steps referred to and to report thereon.

Regulation of Hackney Carriages

Report of Bye Laws and Markets Committee read intimating that the present regulation of Hackney Carriages was not satisfactory, but that it would be futile to suggest improvements while the existing Car Inspector remained in office as he was no longer able to discharge the duties in a proper manner.

Resignation of Car Inspector

Retiring allowance to be granted to

A letter was also read from the Secretaries of the Drogheda Show complaining that the Car Inspector had certified that a Carman was entitled to a fare which was in excess of that stipulated in the list of fares.

Whereupon the Inspector verbally tendered his resignation which was

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was accepted upon the understanding that a Retiring Allowance would be awarded to him and that he would remain in Office until his successor had been appointed.

Vacancy for School Attendance Committee

Report of Town Clerk read intimating that a vacancy required to be filled in the School attendance Committee caused by the non attendance at meetings of Councillor Heffington.

He was directed to communicate with Councillor Heffington on the subject.

Rate Collection Extension to close

The Rate Collector applied for, and was granted an extension of one month for the closing of his collection in respect of the half year ending 30th September.

Clothes Dealers using Corn market

Arising out of a communication received from local traders the Market Collector was directed to charge Belfast and Newry clothes dealers using the Corn Market on Saturdays the sum of £1. or in the alternative to permit them to expose their goods for sale in the Hay market.

Health Resorts and Watering Places (I) Bill

Letter read from T.W. Crosley on the subject of the Health Resorts and Watering Places (Ireland) Bill.

The Town Clerk was directed to assure Mr. Crosley of the support and co-operation of the Council in the matter.

Communications from Joseph McCarthy Not considered

The Town Clerk submitted a number of communications emanating from Joseph McCarthy.

It was agreed they should not be entertained.

Draft Standing Orders

It was decided to defer the consideration of the draft Standing Orders to next meeting.

Lease sealed unto Caroline E. Simpson premises Lawrence St.

A Lease was sealed unto Caroline E. Simpson of premises situate on the South side of Laurence Street for a term of 31 years, at the yearly rent of £25. from the 25th March 1909. Brenaut to insure the premises for the sum of £600.

Thomas Callan

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October 20th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 20th day of October 1909.

Present: In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. Kelly, L.J. Elcock,
Councillors:– L. Moore, J.J. Callan, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, J. Carter, B. Matthews, P. Drew, W.J. Heffington, A. Jordan, J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £ examined and passed.

Drainage at Green Hills Road Roller

Report of Borough Surveyor read, dealing with drainage at Greenhills and suggesting that the Road Roller should not be put to work on the main streets until Spring.

A Committee consisting of the Mayor, with Alderman Elcock, and Councillors Jordan, Drew, Heffington and Clarke was appointed to consider and regulate what streets the Road Roller should be worked upon.

Auditor's Report year ending 1909

The Auditors Report upon the audit of the accounts for the financial year ending 31st March 1909 was taken as read, a copy having been previously supplied to each member of the Council.

Town Clerk's Report re Gas Works Dept.

A Report of the Town Clerk bearing upon the paragraph in the auditors report relating to the Gas Works Department was then read.

On the motion of Alderman Elcock seconded by Alderman Kelly the latter report was adopted and a copy of it ordered to be forwarded the Gas Works Department, with an intimation that the suggestions therein contained should be acted upon.

Technical I. Committee Auditor's Report on

The Auditor's Report upon his audit of the accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for the same period was next read.

No order made.

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Steps leading into Dale Report on

Report read from Committee appointed to inspect the steps leading into the Dale, recommending that they should be repaired.

The report was adopted.

Purchase of Oil Suits

Ordered that six oil skin suits for the carters be obtained from J. J. Meehan, Cork.

Old Age Pensioners

The Town Clerk read a letter which he had sent to the Local Government Board in relation to Old Age Pensioners in reply to a telegram from the Board. The reply was approved.

School Attendance Committee
Councr. Matthews elected on

Councillor Matthews was elected to a vacancy in the School attendance Committee on the motion of Councillor Callaghan seconded by Councillor O'Heffernan.

Holding of Winter Assizes
Memorial re

The Mayor and the Town Clerk were authorized to sign and seal, and the Solicitor to prepare, a Memorial praying for the holding of Winter Assizes in Drogheda.

Standing Orders

Standing Orders were submitted for final approval.

Alderman Keeley moved that the words "with the exception of the Gas Works Committee which shall be empowered to elect its own Chairman" be added to clause No. 37. Alderman Elcock seconded. Councillor Jordan moved and Councillor O'Heffernan seconded, as an amendment, that the Standing Orders in their present form be finally approved and sealed this day.

A Division was taken on the amendment with the following result:

For the Amendment:- Councillors: Jordan, Drew, Byrne, Clarke, Callan, O'Heffernan and the Mayor (7)

Against the Amendment:- Aldermen: Keeley and Elcock.
Councillors:- Carter, Matthews & Callaghan (5)

The Amendment was accordingly declared carried and the Standing Orders were thereupon duly attested and sealed.

Thomas Callan

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November 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 3rd day of November 1909.

Present: In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley,
Councillors:- J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Callaghan, J. Jordan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £57:0:6, examined and passed.

Payments

Payments amounting to £548:12:8 Borough Fund, and £13:6:6 Public Library, ordered.

Boro' Surveyor's Report re Steam Rolling &c.

Report of Borough Surveyor read, intimating that 2846 yds. of streets had been steam Rolled since last meeting; and that to drain off the surface water at Greenhills would cost £7.

A Committee consisting of the Mayor with Councillors Clarke and Jordan, was appointed to inspect and report upon the proposal to drain Greenhills.

Leases to A. Murdock & Sons Ltd.

Report of Estate, Law and Finance Committee read, recommending the granting of Leases - (1) Unto Messrs. A. Murdock & Son Limited of Premises situate at the Old Abbey, for 75 years from the 25th March 1909 at the yearly rent of £32, consisting of premises at present held by the Co. as a yearly tenancy at £20, and premises the lease of which expired at 25th March 1909, £600 to be expended upon improvement & repair of existing and erection of new buildings exclusive of a considerable expenditure upon new machinery.

Jas. L. Boyle

(2) Unto James L. Boyle West Street of a small plot in Patrickswell Lane at the rere of a dwelling house held by him from the Corporation, for 31 years from the 25th March 1909 at the yearly rent of £1 to provide a yard for said dwelling house.

Recommending that tenants be required to execute their Leases

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Execution and Cost of fences by tenants

Leases and pay the costs before the leases are executed by the Corporation, and that all Leases granted for a period of 31 years and upwards shall be registered.

Retaining allowance & Room in Watch House to late Inspector

Recommending that the present Bar Inspector on his retirement be paid an allowance of 2/6 per week and be provided with a room in the Watch House at one penny per week.

Increase in wages to Driver of Road Roller

And that the wages of the driver of the Road Roller and the men working with the roller be increased to 24/- and 17/- per week respectively.

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Jordan.

W. F. McQuillan
Discontinuance of Spirit License

Application read from Wm. F. McQuillan for permission to drop the Spirit License attached to his premises No. 77 West St.
Referred to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

Assignment by C. E. Simpson to M. J. Kierans, Sols.

The Council consented to an assignment by Caroline E. Simpson to Michael J. Kierans of premises No. 42 Laurence Street

Town Tenants Meeting Delegates to

The Mayor with Councillors Heffington and Callan were appointed delegates to an all Ireland Meeting of Tower Tenants.

Housing Loan

Letter read from the Local Government Board on the subject of the proposed Housing Loan.
Referred to the Estate Law and Finance Committee.

Thomas Callan

1909.
November 17th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 17th day of November 1909.

Present: In the chair — His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- P. O. Keeley.
Councillors:- P. Lyons, J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Callaghan, B. Matthews, W. J. Heffington, E. W. Wardle, J. Jordan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £ examined and passed.

Steam Rolling Steps Dale Steps

Report read from Borough Surveyor intimating that 2937 yards had been steam rolled, and the steps leading from St. Marys Church to the Dale completed since last meeting.

Drainage of Greenhills

Report from Committee read recommending that a 6" pipe drain be laid from the grate at the hollow of the Newtown Road to the culvert at the end of Greenhills Road and two new surface traps provided.
The report was adopted.

Horse Feeding

Ordered that tenders be invited for Horse Feeding.

Contract for Supply of Stones to Harbour Board

Letter read from Secretary Harbour Board requesting that the contract for supply of stones be completed.
Ordered that the request be complied with.

Purchase of Horse

Ordered that the Estate, Law and Finance Committee do take into consideration the advisability of purchasing a horse, and that they shall have power to purchase if considered desirable.

Thomas Callan

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December 1st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 1st day of December 1909.

Present: In the Chair - His Worship the mayor
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, P.P. Keeley,
Councillors:- L. Moore, J.J. Callan, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, B. Mathews, C. Drew, E.A. McArdle, W.D. Kelly Kerrington, T.O. McQuillan & J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £62:11:4 examined and passed.

Payments — Borough Fund and Public Library Payments, amounting to £176 4: 1: 2 and £6: 2: 0, ordered.

Condolence Councillor Carter — A Vote of Condolence with the family of the late Councillor Carter was unanimously passed on the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor Clarke.

Road Rolling — Report from Borough Surveyor read in relation to the operations of the Road Roller.

Filling up of "Gee's Pump" North Road — Ordered that the pump hole known as "Gees Pump" North Road be filled up.

U.I.L. Convention Delegates to — The Mayor with Councillors Drew, O'Keffington and McArdle were appointed as delegates to the next Divisional Convention of the U.I. League.

L.G.B. queries to appointment of T.J. Burke Boro' Surveyor — Answers to certain queries of the Local Government Board in connection with Mr. Burke's appointment as Borough Surveyor were submitted and approved.

Resignation of Alderman Lyons as Councillor Fair Gate Ward — Communication read from Alderman Lyons tendering his resignation as a Councillor for Fair Gate Ward.

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On the motion of Councillor Moore, seconded by Alderman Keeley it was agreed to accept the resignation and to remit the usual fine.

Fire Brigade Station Plans to be prepared

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Alderman Keeley moved:-
"That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare plans and Specification for a Fire Brigade Station with Caretaker's residence, said station to be erected on the site of the dilapidated Corporation houses in Bolton Square or some other approved site. The money for the purpose to be procured by the Finance Committee on the best possible terms subject to the approval of the Council."
Councillor Callaghan seconded the motion which was then put and carried unanimously.

Thomas Callan

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December 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 15th day of December, 1909.

Present: In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:— P. Lyons, P.C. Keeley, and J.J. Curran.
Councillors:— J. Dolan, L. Moore, J.J. Callan, T. Byrne, J. Callaghan, T. Fallan, P. Drew, E.W. Wardle, J. Jordan, T. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £ examined and passed.

Thanks from Mrs. Carter for vote of Condolence — Letter read from Mrs. Margaret Carter thanking the Council for its vote of condolence.

Plans of New Cottages — Report read from Borough Surveyor submitting amended Plans of proposed new Cottages.
The consideration of the matter was deferred pending the submission of amended site plan.

Health Resorts & Watering Places (I) Act
Report of Town Clerk fee — Report of Town Clerk read drawing attention to the provisions of "The Health Resorts and Watering Places (Ireland) Bill"
Matter referred to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

Licensing of Motor Boats — Communication read from Board of Trade (Marine Dept.) with reference to the licensing of motor boats.
No order made.

Officers Clothing — Ordered that the Watchmen and the mace Bearer be supplied with usual clothing.

National Convention Delegates — Councillors Jordan and Lynch were selected as Delegates to the National Convention in lieu of Councillors Drew and Wardle who were also appointed Delegates by the N.T. Council

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Councillor Clarke was appointed a member of the Estate, Law and Finance, and Alderman Keeley a member of the Waterworks Committee.

Portable Hut for Watchmen — Ordered that a Portable Hut for Watchmen with provision for a fire be provided.

Salary of Mayor Motion to rescind — Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Fallan moved:— "That the resolutions attaching a salary to the office of Mayor and fixing the same at £250 per annum be rescinded, and that in future there shall not be any salary attached to such office."
Councillor Moore seconded the motion, whereupon a Division was taken when there voted —

Motion not carried

For the motion.	Against the motion.
Alderman Lyons	Alderman — Keeley
Councillors — Fallan	Curran
Byrne	Councillors — Jordan
Moore. (4.)	Drew
	Wardle
	McQuillan
	Clarke
	Callan
	Dolan
	Callaghan
	The Mayor. (11)

The motion was accordingly declared lost.

Thomas Fallan

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January 5th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 5th day of January 1910.

Present: In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. Lyons, P.P. Keeley,
Councillors:– J. Dolan, L. Moore, J.J. Callan, J. Reilly, J. Byrne, J. Callaghan, R. Lynch, S. Matthews, W.J. Heffington, E.D. Wardle, S. Jordan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £60.64 examined and passed.

Payments — Payments ordered amounting to £111: 13:0 Borough Fund, and £4: 14: 0 Public Library account.

Housing Scheme Plans & Site Plans Alteration to Stable Plan of — Report of Borough Surveyor read submitting Plans of Cottages and of Sites in connection with proposed Housing Scheme; also plan of proposed alterations to stables.

Ordered that the same be brought before the Estate, Law and Finance Committee for approval.

Report read from Estate, Law and Finance Committee as follows:–

Gentlemen,

Sale to Sisters of Mercy premises Dublin Road — We beg to refer to our previous reports upon the subject of the proposed sale to the Nuns of the Convent of Mercy of premises on the Dublin Road, the lease of which expired at the 25th March last. Upon the understanding that the premises would be devoted to and used exclusively for either educational or religious purposes we fixed a rent of £15 per annum or a sale at £375 – being equivalent to 25 years purchase which we considered to be much less than the ordinary market value of the premises. The Nuns have now declined to give an undertaking

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Dated 3rd January 1910 — Thomas Callan Chairman.

Alderman Keeley proposed – "that the premises on the Dublin Road in possession of the Sisters of Mercy be sold to them without reservation at the sum of £375, as already agreed to by the Council at meeting held on 16th June 1909, and that the draft letter of the Town Clerk dated 13th December 1909 be immediately forwarded to the L.G.B. for approval." Councillor Jordan having seconded the motion the same was put and declared carried, Councillors Heffington, Callaghan, Clarke and Callan dissenting.

Annual Revision of Valuation — Communication read from General Valuation Office intimating that the annual Revision of Valuation would be commenced by Mr. J.R. O'Donoghue about the 21st December.

Standing Orders ✓ — Communication from the Local Government Board read stating that their approval was not required in the case of Standing Orders, and suggesting that the opinion of the Solicitor to the Corporation should be obtained as to whether any of the Orders are in contravention to Statute.

The Town Clerk having intimated that the Solicitor was satisfied that none of the Orders was ultra vires he was directed to have the Orders printed and circulated.

Health Resorts and Watering Places (I) Bill ✓ — Circular Letter of the Local Government Board read transmitting a copy of the Health Resorts and Watering Places Act and explaining its provisions.

A letter was also read from Irish Tourist Development (Ltd.) on the same subject inviting delegates to a Conference of Irish Public Bodies. ~~was~~

The Mayor, Councillor Heffington and the Town Clerk were appointed delegates.

Testimonial to Francis Smith late S.S.O. — Mr Francis Smith, late Sanitary Sub Officer, applied for a Testimonial which the Town Clerk was authorized to give.

Thomas Callan

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1910. January 24th

Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Monday the 24th day of January 1910.

Present: In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen: – P. Lyons, P. P. Keeley, L. J. Elcock, T. McCullough, J. J. Curran and J. J. Maginn.
Councillors: – J. Dolan, L. Moore, J. J. Callan, J. Sheilds, F. Byrne, J. Callaghan, P. Tallan, P. Lynch, J. Davis, B. Matthews, P. Drew, W. T. Skeffington, S. Jordan, T. V. McQuillan and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Election of Mayor 1910 / Councillor J. J. Callan elected

Alderman Elcock moved – that Councillor J. J. Callan be elected Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1911. Councillor Dolan seconded the motion which was put and declared carried unanimously.

Councillor Callan thereupon made the usual Declaration of Acceptance of Office, was then sworn as Mayor and as Justice of the Peace, and then invested with the Chain of Office by the outgoing mayor who next vacated the Chair which was taken accordingly by the newly elected mayor.

Vote of Congratulation to Richd Hazleton re North Louth Election

On the motion of Alderman Elcock, seconded by Alderman Maginn, a Vote of Congratulation was unanimously passed to Mr. Richard Hazleton upon the fight made by him for the representation of North Louth against Mr. T. M. Healy M.P.

adjournment

Alderman Keeley proposed, Councillor Byrne seconding, – "that this meeting stands adjourned until 2nd February 1910."
Motion put and carried.

Jno. J. Callan 2/2/10

1910. February 2nd

Minutes of an adjourned Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 2nd day of February 1910.

Present: In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen: – P. P. Keeley, and L. J. Elcock.
Councillors: – S. Jordan, T. Callan, J. Dolan, F. Byrne, P. Drew, T. V. McQuillan, E. W. McArdle, P. Lynch, J. Clarke, L. Moore, W. T. Skeffington, J. Davis, J. Callaghan, and B. Matthews.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £51:4:2 examined and passed.

Payments

Payments ordered amounting to £656.5.0 Borough Fund, and £15.15.11 Public Library Account.

Dates of Quarterly meetings

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Drew it was Resolved: – "That the remaining Quarterly meetings for the year shall be held at noon on the first Wednesdays of April, July and October."

Distress Committee Grant of £50

Application read from Distress Committee for a grant of £50, the equivalent of a ½ rate.
Ordered that the request be acceded to.

Borough Surveyor's Report

Report read from Borough Surveyor intimating that he had had a canopy erected over the cylinders and fire box of the Road Roller; that on the Ex mayor's directions he had Steam Rolled Francis Street; and that he submitted a Plan of proposed Fire Brigade Station. No order made.

L.G.B. approval of J. J. Burke as Boro. Surveyor

Communication read from the Local Government Board approving of the appointment of Mr. John J. Burke to

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to the position of Borough Surveyor.

Public Library a/c. Interest on

Letter read from the Agent Bank of Ireland intimating that £1:6:2 had been allowed as Interest and credited to the Public Library Account.

Michael McQuaile Request for reduction in rent of premises

Letter read from Michael McQuaile West Street requesting the Council to reduce the rent of his premises No. 77 West Street. Ordered that the application be dealt with by the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

Distress Committee Auditor's Report on

Communication read from the Local Government Board enclosing a copy of the Report of their Auditor upon his audit of the accounts of the Distress Committee. The report was considered satisfactory.

The following Committees were selected for the year ending 15th January 1911:-

Election of Committees for year ending 1911

Bye Laws and Markets Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, L. J. Alcock.
Councillors:- L. Moore, J. Byrne, T. Callan, B. Matthews, W. J. Heffington and J. V. McQuillan.

Estate, Law and Finance Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. R. Keeley.
Councillors:- J. Dolan, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, J. Davis, P. Drew, S. Jordan and J. Clarke.

Gas Works Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, T. McCullough.
Councillors:- L. Moore, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, T. Callan, P. Drew and S. Jordan.

Water Works Committee:-
His Worship the mayor.
Alderman L. J. Alcock.
Councillors:- L. Moore, J. Callaghan, P. Callan, T. Callan, W. J. Heffington, S. Jordan, J. Clarke.

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Public Library Committee:
Same Committee as last year.

Technical Instruction Committee:
Same Committee as last year, save that Councillor Heffington in lieu of Councillor T. Callan.

Breaking of Gas Pipe in Francis St by Steam Roller

A letter from the Gas Works Department regarding the breaking of pipes in Francis Street by the Road Roller was next considered in Committee.

Councillor T. Callan's undertaking to discharge claims for damages

After considerable discussion the Ex Mayor gave a verbal undertaking to discharge any claims or expense arising out of the breaking of the pipes, the steam rolling having been carried out by his directions. His undertaking was accepted and instructions were given to the Borough Surveyor

Orders given by individual members of Council not to be acted upon

again not to observe directions of a similar character.

Thomas Callan

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at noon on Wednesday the 16th day of February 1910.

Present: In the Chair — Councillor J. Callan.
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock, J. J. Maginn, and P. P. Kelly.
Councillors:- S. Jordan, J. Clarke, Ed. W. McArdle, J. V. McQuillan, J. Dolan, J. Byrne, B. Matthews, J. Callaghan, J. Davis, D. Branigan, W. J. Heffington and P. Lynch.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages amounting to £68.7.6 examined and passed.

Borough Surveyor's Report on work done — Report of Borough Surveyor read upon the work performed since last meeting.
No order made.

Erection of Gasometer — Report of Gas Works Committee read, suggesting the erection of a new Gasometer at at cost of about £2,200.
The consideration of the matter was deferred.

Housing Scheme & Loan of £5,000 — A form of Application to the Local Government Board for sanction to a Loan of £5000, for the erection of Artizans and Labourers Dwellings was submitted, together with two amended Plans, a Specification, and Estimates.
The same were unanimously approved.

Steel v Corporation Arbitration — A Deed of Submission to Arbitration in re the action Steel v Corporation (Gas Works Department) was submitted when the same was approved and duly executed.

Offer of Old Jail for Jumble Sale by Cottage Hospital — Upon their application the Committee of the Cottage Hospital were granted permission to use the "Old Jail" premises in March and in June or July to hold a Jumble Sale

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and a Garden Fete.

Thanks from Richd. Hazleton M.P. for vote of Congratulation — Letter read from Richard Hazleton M.P. thanking the Council for its vote of Congratulation upon the effort made by him to secure the parliamentary representation of North Louth against Mr T. M. Healy M.P.

Magdalene Park Concreting — Letter read from Messrs. Fitzherbert & Son, Abbeylevix, requesting on behalf of Mr. A.R.T. Balfour, that a concrete footpad might be laid in Magdalene Street upon the East and West sides of the plot garden proposed to be handed over to the Corporation by the latter.
Ordered that the request be acceded to.

Health Resorts & Watering Places Act Striking of Rate for — Communication from the All Ireland Tourist Council read, suggesting the striking of a penny rate by the Corporation in exercise of the powers conferred by and for the purposes of the Health Resorts and Watering Places Act.
Ordered that the matter be referred to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

Condolence Mrs. C. Tighe — On the motion of Alderman Elcock seconded by Councillor Heffington a Vote of Condolence was passed with Mr. Christopher Tighe and his family in their bereavement occasioned by the lamented death of Mrs. Tighe.

Part III of Housing of Working Classes Act 1890 adopted — Proposed by Councillor Heffington, seconded by Councillor Matthews and unanimously Resolved:-
That this Council, as the Urban Sanitary Authority, hereby adopts the Provisions of Part III of the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1890.

Jno. J. Callan.
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 2nd day of March 1910.

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present:
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock, and J. P. Keeley.
Councillors:- S. Jordan, E. W. McArdle, T. Callan, T. V. McQuillan, J. Davis, J. Clarke, A. Lynch, J. Dolan, J. Callaghan, B. Matthews, D. Branigan, W. T. Sheffington & F. Byrne.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £64.15.4 examined and passed.

Payments

Payments ordered amounting to £2,005.2.1, Borough Fund, and £5.2.1 Public Library Account.

Thanks from Chr. Tighe for Condolence

Letter read from Mr. Chr. Tighe, Stameen, thanking the Council for its Vote of Condolence passed with him and his family on the death of Mrs. Tighe.

Steam Rolling

Report read from Borough Surveyor intimating that in a week or 10 days the stones at the depôts would be used up so that the Steam Roller could not continue working.

Pumping out of Killineer Quarry

Ordered that the water in the quarry at Killineer be pumped out and the necessary stone obtained therefrom.

Fines for selling Fish on Streets

Report read from Market Collector intimating that five fishermen had been fined 2/6 and 6/2 costs for an infringment of the Bye Laws.

School Attendance Comtee Annual Report

Annual Report of School Attendance Committee read, shewing that in respect of the year ending 31st December last

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last the attendance of children at the various schools had increased by 435 - an increase of 20%.

The report was considered satisfactory.

Erection of new Gasometer

A Report of the Gas Works Committee suggesting the purchase and erection, at a cost of about £2,200, of a new Gasometer was again considered.

It was unanimously agreed that it would be premature to now carry out such work.

The conduct of a carman - James Hanratty - in refusing to drive a Mr. Abbott to Clogher Head for the fare prescribed by the Bye Laws was considered.

Endorsement of Car Drivers Licence

Having heard Hanratty's explanation Alderman Elcock moved, Councillor Jordan seconding, that his Licence be suspended for one month. Alderman Keeley moved as an amendment that the License be endorsed and in the event of a second offence, suspended. Councillor McArdle seconded the amendment which was put and carried by 10 votes to 5 and then put as a motion and carried similarly.

Housing Scheme L. G. B returns plans for amendment

Communication read from the Local Government Board returning the plans, Specification and estimates in connection with the proposed Housing Scheme for amendment in certain particulars.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to comply with the requirements of the Board.

Cinema Act 1909

Circular Letter of the Local Government Board read, enclosing a copy of the Cinematograph Act 1909. No order made.

Leases sealed unto: Sarah Galbraith

The following Leases were this day executed:-

1. Unto Sarah Galbraith, Abbey House, Drogheda of the premises known as Abbey House situate in Patrickswell Lane for 31 years from 25th March 1909 at the yearly rent of £26. Covenants to expend £450 on repairs.

Wm Bannon

2. Unto William Bannon West Street Drogheda of premises stables and yard situate on the North side of Old Abbey Lane for 31 years from the 25th March 1909 at the yearly rent of £4.

Jno J. Callan
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 16th day of March 1910.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- P. O'Keeley.

Councillors:- P. Fallan, J. Callaghan, B. Matthews, J. Dolan, T. Callan, T.V. McQuillan, E.W. McArdle, J. Jordan, J. Clarke & D. Byrne.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes
Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages amounting to £53:13:6 examined and passed.

Cost of working Road Roller
Amended plans &c
Housing Scheme

Report of Borough Surveyor read giving a return of the cost of working the Road Roller from July to 2nd March and submitting amended Plans &c in connection with proposed Housing Scheme.

The Plans &c were approved and rents fixed provisionally at 2/- and 2/6 upon estimates of £116 and £127 for designs No1 and No2.

Ordered that a more complete return be furnished of the cost of Steam Road Rolling.

Alteration in system of Gas Accts.
Letter from L.G.B. re

Communication read from Local Government Board relating to a proposal of the Gas Works Department to alter the system of accounts.

It was decided to refer the matter to the Gas Works Department.

Lease to Jno Jameson & Son & Co
Corporate Seal to Memorandum
defining Boundaries of

The Town Clerk was authorized to affix the Corporate Seal to a Memorandum endorsed upon the Lease lately granted to Messrs. Woolsey, Jameson & Co., explaining and more clearly defining boundaries.

County Council Demand

The Demand of the County Council was submitted, showing an increase of £350. The Town Clerk was directed to enquire generally into the matter and report thereon.

Condolence
T. Harrington M.P.

A Vote of Condolence with the family of the late T. Harrington M.P. was unanimously passed on the motion of Councillor Fallan seconded by Councillor Callan.

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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 6th day of April 1910.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- J. McCullough, J.J. Maginn, L.J. Flood, P.O. Keeley.

Councillors:- T. Callan, E.W. McArdle, P. Lynch, T.V. McQuillan, D. Byrne, J. Clarke, J. Davis, J. Callaghan, P. Fallan, B. Matthews, and W.J. Heffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes
Wages
Payments

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages amounting to £66:10:9 examined and passed.
Payments ordered amounting to £571:1:9 Borough Fund and £5:8:7 Public Library account.

Steam Rolling
Return

Report of Borough Surveyor read giving particulars of the working of the Road Roller for past fortnight, and a return of Wages and materials in the maintenance of Roads and Streets for two years ended 31st March 1910.

Joint Committee
of Tech. Instruction
Auditor's Report

Communication read from the Local Government Board enclosing a copy of the report of their auditor, together with attested abstracts, upon the audit of the accounts of the South County Joint Committee of Technical Instruction for the year ended 30th Septr. 1909. No order made.

Bottle Lane
Repairs of

Upon the application of some residents the Borough Surveyor was directed to repair and keep in repair Bottle Lane.

Housing Scheme
L.G.B. returns Plans
for amendment
Deputation to
wait on L.G.B. re

Letter read from the Local Government Board returning the amended Plans for the proposed artizans dwellings for further amendment. A Deputation consisting of the Mayor and Councillors Lynch and Callan was appointed to wait upon the Board to discuss the matter.

Tourist Conference
Delegates

A Deputation consisting of the Mayor, and Councillors Heffington and Callan was selected to attend an all Ireland Tourist

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Tourist Development

Tourist Conference to be held in Dublin on the 14th April 1910.

Correspondence on the subject of Tourist Development was submitted. The same was ordered to be brought before the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

G. N. R. Co. Bill
J. Nolan M.P. asked to block Bill in Parliament

On the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Alderman Elcock it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That we call upon Mr. Joseph Nolan M.P. for South Louth to block the Bill of the Great Northern Railway Coy. at present before Parliament (or any future Bill) until such time as that Company consents to connect the Quays of Drogheda with their Railway system." And that Mr. D. Sheehy M.P. and Mr. P. White M.P. for County Meath be asked to assist Mr. Nolan in the matter, and also Mr. J. E. Redmond as Chairman of the Irish Parliamentary Party."

Tenders for Printing, Stationery & Advertising Committee to report on

Alderman Magian proposed, ~~Alderman Keeley~~ I. I. C. Councillor Callaghan seconding, 'that tenders be invited for Printing, Stationery and Advertising.'

Councillor Tallan proposed as an amendment which was seconded by Councillor Davis— 'that the Estate, Law & Finance Committee be requested to report their reasons for not inviting tenders. The amendment was carried by 9 votes to 6.

Jno. J. Tallan
20/4/10

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at noon on Wednesday the 20th day of April 1910.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:— P. P. Keeley, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Curran.

Councillors:— T. Callan, E. W. McArdle, T. V. McQuillan, J. Davis, F. Byrne, J. Clarke, L. Moore, P. Tallan, B. Matthews, J. Callaghan, J. Dolan, W. T. Sheffington and D. Branigan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes
Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages amounting to £52:10:8 examined and passed.

Thanks for Condolence from Mrs. Harrington

Letter read from Mrs. Harrington and Family acknowledging Vote of Condolence.

Steam Rolling & Plans of Cottages

Report of Borough Surveyor read dealing with the question of Steam Road Rolling, and amendment of the Plans of proposed Cottages.

No order made.

Workmens T. A. Society
Gas Light over Entrance

The following Report was read and adopted:

"We visited the Workmens T. A. S. Hall with reference to their application for a gas light over the entrance door.

We recommend their application be granted on the condition specified by them, that is, that the cost be defrayed by the Society.

April 1910. John Callaghan, T. V. McQuillan, F. Byrne.

Blocking of G. N. R. Bill

Read, Reports of Council in Committee, of Deputation which waited upon the Directors of the G. N. Railway Co., and of the Town Clerk in relation to the blocking of the Bill of the G. N. Railway Co. before Parliament; Reply of Mr. Joseph Nolan M.P.

On the motion of Councillor Tallan seconded by Councillor McQuillan it was Resolved:— Alderman Curran and Councillors McArdle and Byrne dissenting—

Mr. Nolan M.P. explanation not satisfactory

"That this Council is not satisfied with the explanation offered by Mr. Nolan as to his reason for not opposing the second reading of the Great Northern Railway Bill as called upon by this Council to do, and that he be called upon to offer all opposition possible to the further progress of

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of the Bill, and that our Solicitor be directed to find out what opposition the members can now offer to the Bill."

Housing Scheme Local Enquiry re

Communications read from the Local Government Board intimating that their architect Mr. Deane, had had an interview with the Borough Surveyor on the subject of the revised plans for the Housing Scheme and that the plans may now be considered in order and that the Board would make arrangements for the holding of the local inquiry.

Parliamentary Convention Delegates to

At the request of the United Irish League Delegates were appointed for the next Parliamentary Convention - viz:- Alderman Elcock; Councillors M'Pillan, Dolan and Matthews.

Duties & Salaries of J.J. Burke & Peter Kerron

The Council here proceeded to discuss in Committee "the duties and salaries of Messrs. J.J. Burke and Peter Kerron".

Mr Burke asked to resign as Executive Sanitary Officer

On the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Byrne it was Resolved:

"That Mr. Burke be asked to resign the position of Executive Sanitary Officer; that his salary be increased ~~xxx~~ to £130 as Borough Surveyor, and that the Council proceed to appoint an Executive Sanitary Officer at a salary of £25 per annum".

Jno. J. Callan.
11/5/10

1910.
May 4th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 4th day of May 1910.

Present.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- L.J. Elcock, P. Lyons, P.P. Keeley.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, E.W. Mirdle, J. Callaghan, J. Davis, J. Byrne, B. Matthews, J. Dolan, D. Branigan, J.V. M'Pillan, W.T. Heffington, L. Moore, P. Fallan and J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Minutes Wages Payments
Wages amounting to £60:14:7 examined and passed.
Payments amounting to £529:17:8 Borough Fund, and £7:10: Public Library ~~xxxxxx~~ ordered subject to examination by Committee.

Complaint against David Donnellan Carman Licence endorsed

A complaint of Patrick Collins, Franciscan Convent, against David Donnellan, Mell, for demanding 1/6 for driving him to the Railway Station was considered.

Having heard Collins and Donnellan the Council required the latter to refund 1/- to the former and ordered that his license be endorsed.

Salary & Duties of J.J. Burke - consideration deferred

The consideration of a report of the Council in Committee dealing with the salary & duties of Mr. J.J. Burke was deferred pending a report from the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

Railway Connection with Quays Committee appointed re

Aldermen Elcock and Keeley and Councillor M'Pillan were selected to represent the Corporation upon the Committee to consider and deal with the question of Railway Connection with the Quays.

J.E. Redmond M.P. Address to be presented to

It was unanimously decided that the Corporation should attend in State and present an address to Mr. J.E. Redmond M.P. at a Demonstration in Armagh on the 15th inst, the Mayor, Alderman Elcock and Councillors Heffington and Callan to prepare Address.

Sale of Dog Licences

Communication read from Registrar Petty Sessions Clerk's Office intimating that £29:17:8 had been paid over to the Treasurer in respect of the surplus from the sale of Dog Licences. Further

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Blocking of Great Northern Railway Bill.

Further correspondence in connection with the Great Northern Railway Bill was read including a letter from Mr. J. Nolan M.P. and a letter from Mr. R.L.O. Badham Parliamentary Agent.

Councillor M'Ardle proposed, Councillor Byrne seconding:- "That the consideration of Mr. Nolan's letter be postponed to next Council Meeting and that Mr. Nolan be requested to attend."

Vote of Censure on Mr. J. Nolan M.P.

Alderman Elcock proposed as an amendment, Councillor M'Quillan, seconding:-

"That in consequence of Mr. Nolan neglecting to oppose the Great Northern Railway Bill, which he was requested to do by a wire from His Worship the Mayor representing the Citizens, we, the Corporation, censure him for such neglect."

A Division was taken when there voted for the Amendment- Aldermen:- Elcock, Lyons, Keeley. Councillors:- Callan, Davis, Fallan, M'Quillen, Matthews, Dolan, Branigan and the mayor (8) Against the amendment:- Councillors:- M'Ardle, Callaghan, Byrne, Clarke and Heffington. (5.) The amendment was then put as a Resolution and carried by the same voting.

Condolence re. Jno. Segrave P.P.

On the motion of Councillor Heffington, seconded by Councillor Callan a vote of condolence was unanimously passed with the relatives of the late Father John Segrave P.P.

Jno. J. Callan
18/5/10

1910.
May 18th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 18th day of May 1910.

Present:

In the Chair- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, P.P. Keeley,
Councillors:- L. Moore, T.V. M'Quillan, J. Dolan, J. Callaghan, P. Fallan, J. Clarke, P. Drew, E.W. M'Ardle, B. Matthews, T. Callan, J. Davis and P. Byrne.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £55.19.0. examined and passed.

Thanks from Arch. Segrave for vote of Condolence

Letter read from Archdeacon Segrave thanking the Council for its Vote of Condolence passed with him on the death of his brother, the late Father John Segrave P.P. Termonfeckin.

Striking of Rate

Report of Estate, Law and Finance Committee read, recommending the striking of a Consolidated Rate of 4/- in the £ and a Sanitary Rate of 1/6 in the £- being the same as the rates levied for the past years, notwithstanding an increase of £350 in the Demand of the County Council and an increase of £400 in the Borough Surveyor's Estimate of expenditure over normal years, after the estimate had been reduced by the Committee by £325.

The Report was adopted on the motion of alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Moore.

Caretaker mayoralty House.
Miss K. Fox appointed.

Draft Leases to Anne Reilly, James Malone & Pat. Reilly.
Conveyance to Sisters of Mercy.

Further Report of Estate, Law and Finance Committee read, intimating that they had appointed Miss Kate Fox as Caretaker of the Mayoralty Rooms for a period of six months; that they had approved Draft Leases unto Anne Reilly, James Malone and Patrick Reilly and a Draft Conveyance unto the Sisters of Mercy; recommending the granting of a lease for 31 years from the 25th March last, at the yearly rent of £15, unto Mr. James Gibney

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Draft Lease to James Gibney,

Gibney of premises on the South side of West Street, £50 to be expended upon repairs the lease to be executed upon their completion, a lease for 75 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £6:1:0, unto Mr. Thomas Reilly of premises on the South side of the Marsh Road, £200 to be expended upon new buildings, recommending the

Thomas Reilly,

Purchase of Oil Engine & Pump.

purchasing of an oil engine and pump for the Quarry at Killineer,

Execution of Power of Attorney to Rent Collector

the execution of a Power of Attorney in favour of the Rent Collector so as to obviate the necessity for engaging the services of a Solicitor in weekly tenement possession cases, pointing out that

Honorary Freemen Stamp Duty to be paid on

in future a Stamp Duty of £3 would have to be paid upon the admission of Honorary Freemen; recommending the acceptance of various

Tenders for Annual Supplies

tenders for annual supplies.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Moore.

Hackney Carriages By-Laws Penalties to be imposed on Carmen

Ordered that the Bye Laws and Markets Committee be convened to consider the question of penalties to be imposed when carmen refuse to comply with the Hackney Carriage Bye Laws.

Strike at Boyne Spinning & Weaving Co. Ltd. Committee appointed re

A Committee consisting of the Mayor with Aldermen Keeley, Lyons, McCullough and Councillors Davis, Callaghan and McGillan, was appointed to take such steps as might seem desirable to endeavour to bring about a termination of the strike by the Employees of the Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co.

Jno. J. Callan
7/6/10

1910.
June 1st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 1st day of June 1910.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– O. Lyons, P. P. Keeley.

Councillors:– J. Callan, E. W. Wardle, J. Byrne, J. Clarke, D. Branigan, W. J. Keffington, J. V. McGuillan, L. Moore, J. Dolan, J. Davis and D. Matthews.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Minutes Wages Payments

Wages amounting to £60:4:6 examined and passed.

Payments Ordered amounting to £464:4:7 Borough Fund and £4:5:4 Public Library account.

Housing Scheme Mr. J. J. Maclabe to hold Enquiry into ✓

Communication read from the Local Government Board intimating that their Inspector, Mr J. J. Maclabe, would hold an Enquiry at the Court House on Saturday the 11th June, at noon, into the proposed Housing Scheme.

The matter was left in the hands of the Town Clerk to make the necessary arrangements.

Distilling & Brewing Industries Budget Taxation re

A Resolution of the Dublin Trades Council dealing with certain clauses in the Budget affecting the Distilling and Brewing Industries of the country, was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Dolan seconded by Councillor Matthews.

Consent to erection of Telephone Poles

Permission was granted to the National Telephone Co. to erect Telephone Poles and Stays at the Meat Market and Backlone Lane; a rent of 1/- per pole per annum to be charged, the Poles to be removed on three months notice.

Blocking of G.N.R. Bill Mr. Nolan asks to block future progress of Bill ✓

Further letter read from Mr. Joseph Nolan M.P. in relation to the blocking of the Great Northern Railway Bill. A letter from Mr. T. Ruth in this connection was also read.

The Town Clerk was directed to ascertain from Mr. Nolan, definitely, whether it is his intention to block the future progress of the Bill.

Ordered

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Advertising of Fairs 1910

Ordered that all Fairs be advertised in future.

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Leases sealed to:
Jas. Malone
Patk. Reilly
Anne Crilly
Patk. McEvoy

Leases were this day sealed unto:

James Malone, West Street, of premises at Old Abbey for 31 years from the 25th march 1909, at the yearly rent of £6.

Patrick Reilly, West Strat, of premises at Old Abbey for 31 years from the 25th March 1909 at the yearly rent of £3:10:0. from 25th March 1910

Anne Crilly Fair Street of premises Fair Street ~~at~~ for 31 years at the yearly rent of £10.

Patrick McEvoy West Street of premises at Old Abbey for 31 yrs. from the 25th march 1909 at the yearly rent of £3.

Rate Resolutions

On the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor Moore it was unanimously Resolved:-

"That we, the Corporation of Drogheda, do order and direct that a Consolidated Municipal Rate be made, applotted, levied, assessed and raised within the Borough of Drogheda, the said rate to be for the financial year ending the 31st day of March, 1911, and to be at the rate of forty eight pence in the pound; to be assessed, levied and raised from and off the owners, occupiers or tenants of all hereditaments rateable for the relief of the destitute poor in Ireland; thirty five pence in the pound of such rate being to meet General District Poor Rate Charges, eleven pence in the pound thereof being to meet Borough Charges (including the maintenance of the Public Works transferred from the late Grand Jury of the County of the Town of Drogheda), One penny in the pound thereof to meet the expenses for the purposes of the Public Libraries Acts, one penny in the pound thereof to meet the expenses for the purpose of the Technical Instruction Acts.

And it is hereby further resolved that a Sanitary Rate of eighteen pence in the pound be made, applotted, levied and ~~assessed~~ raised under the provisions of section 226 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, in manner therein provided to meet the expenses of the Water Supply for the District".

The Rate Book, Collector's Warrant, and Estimates were thereupon submitted and were duly sealed, signed and approved of.

Jno J. Callan
15/6/10

1910
June 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 15th day of June 1910.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. A. Keeley, J. J. Curran.
Councillors:- D. Branigan, L. Moore, W. J. Heffington, P. Drew, E. W. Wardle, J. Clarke and J. Callan.

Minutes & Wages

The Notice convening the meeting was read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages amounting to £59:18:4 examined and passed.

Use of old Jail for Fire Extinguishing Apparatus exhibition

It was agreed to grant permission to the Cottage Hospital Committee to give an exhibition, through Messrs. George Miller & Co. Glasgow, in fire extinguishing apparatus in the Old Jail premises upon the understanding that they would accept full responsibility for accidents or damage.

Concreting

It was agreed to accede to the request of Nicholas Winters Newfoundwell for a concrete footpath to be laid opposite his premises upon the understanding that he would contribute half the cost.

R.I.C. assistance in enforcing Hackney Carriage By-Laws.

Letter read from the District Inspector R.I.C. intimating that the constabulary would assist the corporation in the enforcing of Bye Laws for the Regulation of Hackney Carriages.

Flooding of Johns Gate

Upon her application the Borough Surveyor was directed to carry out such alterations as are necessary to take storm water at Johns Gate which at present lodges at and floods the premises of Miss M. Downey.

Adjournment

It was decided by six votes to four to adjourn the consideration of the remaining business until next meeting.

Jno J. Callan
6/7/10

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July 6th

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 6th day of July 1910.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen.– P.O. Keeley, J.J. Curran, and J.J. Maginn.
Councillors:– L. Moore, D. Branigan, J. Callaghan, E.W. McArdle, P. Lynch, J. Clarke, J. Dolan and J. Byrne

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Payments

Wages amounting to £70:8:2 examined and passed.

Borough Fund Payments amounting to £556.8.5 and Public Library amounting to £11:16:0, ordered.

Telephone for Bachelors Lane

Upon the Memorial of Ratepayers of the locality objecting to its erection a Committee consisting of the Mayor, Councillor Callaghan, the Town Clerk and the Borough Surveyor was appointed to inspect and report upon the erection of a Telephone Pole in Bachelors Lane.

Adjournment

Upon the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Moore the consideration of the remaining business was adjourned for a week.

Jno J Callan
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Minutes of an adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at noon on Wednesday the 13th day of July 1910.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen.– J.J. Maginn, P. Lyons, and P.O. Keeley.
Councillors:– E.W. McArdle, J. Callan, J. Davis, J. Byrne, J. Clarke, R. Matthews, J. Callaghan, D. Branigan, W.J. Heffington, and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £67:6:7 examined and passed.

Tar Painting

Report of Borough Surveyor read, intimating that he had tried tar painting on the Marsh Road with satisfactory results, and suggesting the appointment of a Committee to inspect the work, and that a Committee which had been appointed to inspect the site whereon a telephone pole had been erected in Bachelors Lane had recommended that the pole should be removed off the Lane. Communications from the Telephone Co. and the Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co. relating to the erection of the pole were also read.

Removal of Pole Bachelors Lane

It was agreed that a Committee consisting of the members present should inspect and Report on both matters.

Breaches of Market Bye Laws

Report of Market Collector read, intimating that J. Owens, P. Burke and L. Owens had been fined for breaches of the Market Bye Laws. No order made.

~~Pig~~ Holding of Pig Fairs Consideration deferred

A Report of the Estate, Law and Finance Committee recommending that the Pig Fairs should in future be held in the Potato Market was read, when on the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Callaghan, the consideration of same was deferred pending representations Cattle Dealers on the general subject of Fairs.

Ushers Mill Fire Malicious Injury Claim

Further Report of Estate, Law and Finance Committee read, intimating that Notice of claim for Compensation for Malicious

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Malicious Injury to the extent of £10,500 in respect of the Fire at Ushers Mill had been served upon the Town Clerk, and had been handed over to the Solicitor to the Corporation to deal with; and recommending that the following Leases be granted:-

Leases to:

B. R. T. Balfour ✓

1. Unto Mr. B.R.T. Balfour, Townly Hall, of two small yards at rere of houses belonging to him on the South side of Narrow West Street, for 31 years from the 25th March 1909 at the yearly rent of £1 15s.

Peter McNamara ✓

2. Unto Mr. Peter McNamara of Store at rere of premises No. 24 Shop Street, for 31 years from the 29th September next at the yearly rent of £5, £100 to be expended upon repairs.

Reps late Richd. Mooney ✓

3. Unto the Reps. of the late Richard Mooney of licensed premises on the South side of Dyer Street, for 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £16. £150 to be expended upon repairs.

Joseph Dwyer ✓

4. Unto Mr. Joseph Dwyer of premises in his occupation at Bull Ring for 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £40. The fact that Mr. Dwyer expended a substantial amount upon improving the premises was considered, an amendment of Councillor Drew to fix the rent at £36 being only supported by Councillor Jordan fell through.

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Byrne.

Resignation of Borough Treasurer withdrawn

The Town Clerk reported that the Borough Treasurer had tendered his resignation of that Office but had subsequently withdrawn it.

A Resolution of the Irish Brewers Association relating to the Budget was read and adopted.

Labour Exchanges Act

Circular Letter from the Divisional Office for Ireland of the Board of Trade Labour Exchange, relating to the operations under the Labour Exchanges Act, read.

Blocking of G.N.R. Bill

Several Communications from Mr. Joseph Nolan M.P. in relation to the Bill of the Great Northern Railway Company at present before Parliament, were read.

The Mayor and the Town Clerk were instructed to attend

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attend at the House of Commons during the Report Stage of the Bill to assist Mr. Nolan in blocking its further progress.

Killineer Quarry

A Committee consisting of the Mayor with Councillors Clarke, Callaghan and Byrne was appointed to inspect and report upon the Quarry at Killineer.

Whitworth Fountain Water Supply laid on

Ordered that a water supply be laid on to the Whitworth Fountain.

Steel v Corporation Arbitrators Award to be made a Rule of Court

The Town Clerk was authorized, subject to the approval of the Gas Works Committee, to make an affidavit consenting to the findings of the Arbitrators in the matter - Steel v Corporation (Gas Works Department) being made of Rule of Court.

Water Works Committee Meetings

Ordered that the meetings of the Water Works Committee be held at 11-30 o'clock on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month.

On the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor Davis it was unanimously Resolved:-

Magdalene Park Vote of thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Balfour for presentation of

"That we desire to place on record our appreciation of the generous action of Mr. and Mrs. Balfour of Townly Hall in presenting to the Corporation the beautiful garden in Magdalene Street for the use and benefit of the inhabitants, - particularly the children of that locality.

That we thank Mr. and Mrs. Balfour heartily for their munificence and hope they may long be spared to continue their philantrophic work for the uplifting of the people, especially the poor, amongst whom they live and in whom they take such a deep and practical interest.

That a copy of this resolution suitably inscribed and framed be presented to Mr. and Mrs. Balfour."

Jno Gleeson
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July 20th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at noon on Wednesday the 20th day of July 1910.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:— J. J. Curran and P. P. Keeley.
Councillors:— T. Callan, J. Clarke, P. Drew, J. Callaghan, J. Davis, J. Dolan, B. Matthews, L. Moore & D. Byrne.

Minutes

The Notice convening the meeting was read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £62: 6: 5 examined and passed.

Cleaning out of Rosehall Reservoir

Report read from Borough Surveyor pointing out that owing to the amount of work he had on hand he could not comply with the order of the Estate Law and Finance Committee to send twenty men to clean out Rosehall Reservoir. No order.

Purchase of Oil Pump & cleaning of Rosehall Reservoir and tarring of Road

Report of Committee appointed to inspect Killineer quarry and Rosehall Reservoir, read; recommending the purchase of an oil pump for the former, and the cleaning out of the latter, and that the roadway along the reservoir should be coated with tar to keep down dust.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Matthews, seconded by Alderman Keeley, save the portion dealing with the laying down of tar.

Annual Licensing of Hackney Carriages

A Report of the By-Laws and Markets Committee on the subject of the annual licensing of Hackney Carriages and their better regulation was read.

It was agreed to refer the report back to the Committee for re-consideration, the Town Clerk meantime to renew all licenses.

Joseph Dwyer Rent of premises of

Letter read from Mr. Joseph Dwyer in relation to the fixing of the rent of £30 upon his premises Bull Ring.

It was agreed to refer the matter to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee for reconsideration, Alderman Keeley dissenting.

Removal of Pole in Bachelors Lane

On the motion of Councillor Callaghan seconded by Councillor Callan it was decided by votes to 5 to require the National Telephone Co. to remove from its present site a pole recently erected in Bachelors Lane.

Jno. J. Callan 21/7/10

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August 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 3rd day of August 1910.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen. — P. P. Keeley.
Councillors:— T. Callan, E. W. Wardle, J. Clarke, D. Byrne, J. Davis, L. Moore, J. Callaghan, B. Matthews, D. Branigan.

Minutes

The Notice convening the meeting was read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £ examined and passed.

Payments

Payments ordered amounting to £1354-1-8 Borough Fund, and £5.9.6 Public Library Account.

Blocking of G.N.R. Bill

Report from the Mayor and Town Clerk read, intimating that they had attended at the House of Commons to consult with and assist Mr. Nolan M.P. in offering opposition to the Great Northern Railway Bill, and that in consequence of the Bill being objected to on third reading it had been adjourned to the 3rd August.

It was decided unanimously to request Mr. Nolan to continue his opposition to the Bill.

Gas Works Coal Contracts and Arbitration in Steel v. Corporation

Reports of Gas Works Committee dealing with contracts entered into for coal and the arbitration in the action - Steel v Corporation read.

On the motion of Councillor Callaghan seconded by Councillor Callan the same were adopted.

Erection of Cottages by Direct Labour

Letter read from Secretary Dock Labourers Union conveying the wish of the members of the Union that the proposed Cottages should be erected by direct labour and that stone from the Corporation Quarry should be used.

Line of Communication between Galway & America

A Resolution of the Galway Urban Council on the subject of the proposed line of communication between Galway and America was read and adopted.

Letter read from Joseph McCarthy re state of waste ground in

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in Potato Market.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to inspect and report.

Valuation of House Property
Employment of Professional Valuer

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Alderman Keeley moved:
"That a Professional Valuer be employed by this Council for the valuation of all house property falling out of lease"
Councillor Byrne seconded. A Division was called for when there voted:

For the Motion	Against
Alderman Keeley.	Councillors – Davis, Callan,
Councillors – Wardle, Clarke, Byrne,	Callaghan and
Branigan, Matthews. (6.)	the Mayor (4.)

The motion was declared carried

Tenders for Hay

Five Tenders for supply of Hay were submitted.
A Committee consisting of the Mayor and Councillors Branigan and Matthews was appointed to examine the samples and to decide what tender should be accepted.

List of Tenements for revision of Valuation

The Annual List of Tenements for Revision of Valuation was submitted and approved.

Magdalene Gardens
Copy of illuminated Resolution presented to Mr. & Mrs. Balfour

Mr. and Mrs. Balfour Townley Hall were presented with a copy, illuminated and framed, of the Resolution of the Council of the 13th July thanking them for the gift of the Magdalene Gardens.

Issuing of Licences to Carmen

The Town Clerk was instructed to issue Car Licences up to and including the 17th August and to bring proceedings against any person plying for hire after that date without a license.

Kelly Loan
Resolution re borrowing £253:16:11 from Bank of Ireland re

On the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor Davis it was unanimously Resolved.
That the Corporation approve of the borrowing of £9,253.16.11 from the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland for the purpose of paying off all moneys due to the executors and trustee of the Will of the late John Kelly on foot of the Mortgage dated the 20th February 1880 made by the Corporation to the said John Kelly.

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Kelly.
the Transfer of the said Mortgage and of
That the Corporation approve of a Deed of Mortgage to the said Governor and Company to secure repayment of the said sum of £9,253.16.11 together with interest at the rate of four per cent per annum.
That the seal of the Corporation be affixed to the engrossments of the said Transfer of Mortgage and the said Mortgage and also to Memorials of the same for registration
The Deed of Mortgage and Memorial were accordingly executed and sealed.

Jno J Callan
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August 17th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 17th day of August 1910.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, C. Lyons,
Councillors:- P. Drew, J. Clarke, J. Callan, R. Matthews, L. Moore, J. Davis and L. Branigan.

Minutes / Wages

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages for past week examined and passed.

Report of Town Clerk read intimating that the Bye laws and Markets Committee had not met to deal with certain matters referred to them.

It was unanimously agreed to hold a meeting of the Council in Committee to dispose of such matters.

Report of Water Works Committee, as follows, read:
To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda
Gentlemen,

Waterworks Report recommending Concreting bottom and sides of Rosehall Reservoir. / Employment of Water Engineer

The question of the improvement of the Water supply has exercised our consideration for some time past.

We have had six samples of water analysed by Sir Charles Cameron, and upon a careful examination of the analyses which are fairly satisfactory, we are forced to the conclusion that if any improvement in the quality of the water can be made the bottom and sides of Rosehall Reservoir should be concreted in order that the water after being filtered may be stored in a perfectly clean chamber.

To carry this suggestion into effect it will be necessary to raise a loan of £2000 - £3000 and to secure a report from a Water Engineer upon this and other questions affecting the water supply. The storage capacity has at great expense been increased as much as is necessary for present needs, and the Filter Beds which have been constructed and the drainage schemes that have been carried out, do their work in a satisfactory manner. It seems to your Committee

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Committee therefore that it is better to incur the further outlay suggested and thus improve the water supply as far as lies in the power of the Corporation. We therefore ask for powers to take such steps as may be necessary to employ an Engineer and carry out such improvements as he may suggest and to us seem desirable.

In a report to the Sanitary Authority on Wednesday last Dr. Hamill has drawn attention to an analysis made fourteen years ago. It has obviously no bearing upon the present condition of the Waterworks; the analysis was made ~~fourteen~~ before the Corporation acquired control, at a time when there was but one hour's supply in twenty four and before improvements costing £15000 had been carried out. The actual depths of sand upon the three filter beds are respectively: No 1 3 feet; No. 2, 2 feet 6 inches; No. 3, 1 foot 6 inches.

Dated 10th August 1910. John J. Callan Chairman.

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Callan, it being understood that a further report would be made before any actual improvements were undertaken or arranged for.

Notice of motion re Jos. Dwyer's Rent Ruled out of order

An objection being made to the form of Councillor Callan's Notice of Motion relating to the rent of Mr. Dwyer's premises it was ruled out of order.

Mrs. Katie Molloy Rent of premises

A Communication from Mrs. Katie Molloy relating to the rent of her premises in Dyer Street was read.

On the motion of Councillor Drew seconded by Councillor Callan it was Resolved:-

Conveyance and Memorial to Sisters of Mercy executed

"That the Council approve of a Sale to the Sisters of Mercy of certain premises situate on the Dublin Road for the sum of Three hundred and seventy five pounds; of the execution of a Deed of Conveyance to said Sisters of Mercy of said premises together with a Memorial of same for registration; and that the Estate, Law and Finance Committee be and is hereby authorized to arrange and direct the investment of the purchase money."

The Deed of Conveyance and the Memorial were duly executed.

Jno. P. Callan 7/9/10

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1910.
September 7th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 7th day of September 1910.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. P. Keeley.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, P. Drew, T. Callan, P. Lynch, J. Callaghan, J. Davis, P. Fallan, and L. Moore.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Minutes

Payments

Payments, as detailed on Treasurers authority, amounting to £1400:10:10 Borough Fund, and £4:4:0 Public Library Account, duly ordered.

Wages

Wages for past week amounting to £60:12:5 passed.

"Kelly Loan"
Transfer of Deed of Mortgage &c to Bank of Ireland executed

A Transfer to the Bank of Ireland of the Deed of Mortgage of the 20th February 1880 from the Corporation unto John Kelly was this day executed and sealed in pursuance of the resolution of the 3rd August, together with a memorial for registration and a Paying Order for £9,253:16:11 in favour of Michael McGovern the Trustee of the said John Kelly was duly authorized.

Direction Posts
Tar Painting

Report of Borough Surveyor, dealing with tar painting and a danger signal at top of Mary Street, read.

Ordered that a direction post should be erected at the Holsel.

Report of Estate, Law and Finance Committee read as follows:–

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda

Gentlemen,

Patrick McEvoy
Judicial tenancy

Under a lease which expired on the 29th September 1908, three holdings at Yellowbatter came into your hands. One in the occupation of Patrick McEvoy West Street, upon which a judicial rent had been fixed; another in the occupation of Charles Woods upon which we have fixed a rent of £1, and the third holding is in the occupation of Patrick Dowd and upon which we have fixed a rent of £1.

Charles Woods' Rent
Patrick Dowd's holding

We have instructed the Solicitor to the Corporation to apply to the former tenant to the Corporation for rent for overholding. We

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Michael Kelly
99 years Lease

We have had before us an application of Michael Kelly Dublin Street for a building lease of a vacant plot upon the east side of that street. We recommend the granting of a lease to him for 99 years with the assent of the Local Government Board or failing that for 75 years, at the yearly rent of £2. Mr. Kelly has submitted plans which provide for the erection of four cottages which we have approved of.

Rate Collection
Withdrawal of Exemptions under Public Bodies Order

We have had under consideration correspondence with the Local Government Board on the subject of the Rate Collection, which during the past financial year was not closed upon the 31st March, and a large amount was brought forward as arrears a considerable portion of which might ordinarily have been collected. In the circumstances we decided to assent to the suggestion of the Local Government Board – that the exemptions from Articles 90, 91 and 92 of the Public Bodies Order 1904, which were granted some years ago, should now be removed.

Dated 24th August 1910. John J. Callan Chairman.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Davis.

Joseph Dwyer & Mrs. K. Molloy's Rents be rescinded

Pursuant to notice of motion Councillor Davis moved:– "That so much of the resolution of the 13th July 1910, fixing rents of £10 and £16 per annum upon the premises of Mr. Joseph Dwyer Bull Ring and Mrs. Katie Molloy, Dyer Street, respectively, be and is hereby rescinded; and that an instruction be given to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee to re-consider the rents of these premises and to bring in a further report."

Councillor Callan seconded the motion which was put and carried Alderman Keeley dissenting.

Trades Boards Act

Letter from the Local Government Board on the subject of the Trades Boards act 1909, read.

Gaelic Name Plates

Letter from Mr. George O'Reilly Trinity Street re Gaelic Name Plates read. Town Clerk instructed as to reply.

Industrial Conference

Letter from Cork Industrial Development Association inviting the Council to appoint Delegates to Industrial Conference, read. No action taken.

Appropriation of sites for Artizans Dwellings

Letter read from Local Government Board in relation to the appropriation of sites for Artizans Dwellings. Referred to Borough Surveyor for report.

M. J. Callan

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1910.
September 21st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at noon on Wednesday the 21st day of September 1910.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P.P. Keeley, C. Lyons and L.J. Elcock.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, J. Callaghan, L. Moore, D. Branigan, and J.V. McQuillan.

Minutes

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £57:3:10 examined and passed.

Tender for Oats

A Committee consisting of the Mayor, with Aldermen Lyons and Elcock and Councillors Branigan and Moore was appointed to examine and report upon Tenders for Oats.

Rate Collection – Extension of time to close

Upon his application, and for the reasons therein stated, the Rate Collector was granted an extension of six weeks for the closing of his collection in respect of the half year ending 30 Septr.

Jurisdiction of County Courts

A Resolution of the Cashel Urban Council on the subject of the Jurisdiction of County Courts was read and adopted.

Prosecution for selling of Fish on Streets Enquiry from R.I.C.

Letter from the Head Constable R.I. Constabulary Drogheda, enquiring whether prosecutions had been brought at the instance of the Corporation for the selling of fish on the streets contrary to Bye Law and convictions obtained; and whether obstruction was only complained of where carts were permitted to remain stationary on the public street.

The Town Clerk was instructed as to his reply.

Erection of Lamps in Windmill Lane

A Letter of M. Molloy on the subject of the erection of Lamps in Windmill Lane was read and referred to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 5th day of October 1910.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– L.J. Elcock, P.P. Keeley, T. McCullough,
Councillors:– J. Clarke, E.W. Wardle, T. Byrne, T. Callan, L. Moore, J.V. McQuillan, J. Callaghan, C. Fallon and J. Davis.

Minutes

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages amounting to £56:4:10 examined and passed.

Payments

Payments Ordered, as detailed in Treasurer's Authorities. amounting to £804:11:0 Borough Fund and £8:7:11 Public Library a/c.

Tenders for Straw

Report of Borough Surveyor read, recommending that tenders be invited for 30 tons of wheaten straw.

Ordered that tenders be invited for such straw and for White Oats and Black Oats.

Oil Engine & Pumps Killineer Quarry

Report of Peter Lennon dealing with the Oil Engine and Pump in the Quarry at Killinear was read.

A Committee consisting of the mayor, with Aldermen Elcock, Councillors Byrne and Clarke was appointed to inspect and report.

Labourers Acts Consent to acquisition of holding Moneymore

It was agreed to consent to the acquisition by the South Rural District Council of Drogheda Union of a plot of ground in Moneymore upon a holding of John Leland for the purposes of an Improvement Scheme under the Labourers Acts.

Ushers Mill Fire Malicious Injury claim

Letter read from the Solicitor to the Corporation intimating that the alleged Malicious Injury Claim of Usher & Co. 4th would not be proceeded with.

Rate Collection Sanitary Officers Salaries

A letter from the Local Government Board on the subject of the Rate Collection was read, and a covering letter from the Board in relation to the contribution from the Local Taxation Account in respect of Sanitary Officers Salaries was also read.

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Sites for Artizans Dwellings

It was decided upon the recommendation of the Estate, Law and Finance Committee, to apply to the Local Government Board for their Consent to the appropriation of the following sites for Artizans and Labourers Dwellings: Francis Street, Nuns Walk, Scarlet Street, Platten Road and Dublek Street.

Fire Brigade

Ordered that the Estate, Law and Finance Committee do take into consideration the question of the better organisation and efficiency of the Fire Brigade.

Jno J Callan
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1910.
October 19th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 19th day of October 910.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen – P. P. Keeley.
Councillors: – J. Clarke, J. Byrne, E.W. Ward, J. O. McQuillan, J. Davis, J. Callaghan, B. Matthews, L. Moore, J. Nolan and J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Book examined and signed &c

Barrington Lectures

Ordered that the Town Clerk do apply for a course of Barrington Lectures to be delivered during the winter, a Committee consisting of the Mayor, with Alderman Keeley and Councillors Davis and McQuillan was appointed to arrange details.

Returns of Revenue for weighing on Crane at Killineer

Ordered that the Borough Surveyor do present to next meeting a Return of the Stone and Farm Produce weighed on the crane at Killineer Quarry by Peter Corrigan, setting out the revenue derived from the latter.

Blocking of G. & K. Bill

Ordered that Mr. Joseph Nolan M.P. be written to enquiring whether he would attend a meeting of the Railways to the quays to discuss the question of opposition to the Great Northern Railway Co's. Bill at present before Parliament.

Return of Expenditure by Boro. Surveyor

Report of Borough Surveyor read giving a Return of certain expenditure.

It having been pointed out that the particulars were not in the nature of the particulars asked for the Borough Surveyor was directed to bring in a fresh return.

Breaches of Market Bye Laws.

Market Collector reported that L. Owens, J. Gorman, and J. Burke had been fined for breaches of the Market Bye laws. The Solicitor to the Corporation reported to same effect.

No order made.

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Fire at Townrath

A Report of P. Lennon upon a Fire at Townrath was read and ordered to be referred to the Estate, Law & Finance Committee for consideration.

Royal Commission on Irish Railways Majority Report approved of.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor McQuillan moved:- That this Council approves of the Majority Report of the Royal Commission on Irish Railways".

Councillor Byrne seconded the motion.

Councillor Davis proposed as an amendment:- That the consideration of the Majority Report be deferred for six months".

Councillor Callan seconded the amendment and on a poll there voted -

For the amendment:- Alderman Keeley. Councillors - Matthews, Davis, Callaghan and Callan (5.)

Against the amendment:- Councillors - McQuillan, McArdle, Byrne, Clarke, Dolan and the Mayor. (6)

The Motion. Resolution was then put, those voting against the amendment voting for it, and those voting for the amendment against the motion, the motion was accordingly declared carried.

Tenders for Wheaten Straw and Oats.

Three Tenders for Wheaten Straw and three tenders for Oats were submitted.

Ordered that the same be considered by the Committee already appointed to examine former tenders for Oats.

Housing Scheme Sanction to Loan of £15,000.

Letter read from the Local Government Board sanctioning the borrowing of a sum of £15,000 for the creation of Artizans and Labourers Dwellings, repayment to be made within a period of 60 years.

The Town Clerk was directed to make application to the Board of Works for a loan of £5000, and to apply to the Bank of Ireland for their consent to such loan.

Obstruction by Fish Carts

Letter read from the Head Constable R.I. Constabulary, stating that the Corporation have power to prosecute under the Towns Improvement act for obstruction by fish carts. No order made.

Dead Meat Trade

A letter of Mrs. K. Murphy in relation to a proposed Dead Meat Trade was read and referred to the Estate, Law & Finance Committee.

Jno. J. Callan 2/11/10.

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November 2nd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 2nd day of November 1910.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. O. Keeley,
Councillors:- J. Callan, J. Clarke, C. Drew, J. Byrne, P. Lynch, E. W. McArdle, J. Callaghan, J. Davis, J. Dolan, L. Moore, D. Branigan and W. J. Heffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Minutes & Wages Payments
Wages Book examined and signed.
Payments Ordered amounting to £1383:3:2 Borough Fund and £10:3:7 Public Library Account.

Cost of maintenance of Roads & Streets

Report of Borough Surveyor read, giving cost of maintaining certain streets and roads prior to and since steam rolling, and stating that the man in charge of the weigh crane in the Kellistown quarry had been usefully employed since February.

Ordered that the return asked for at last meeting in regard to the latter be brought in at next meeting.

P. Lennon's Report on Pumps & Fountains &c.

A Report of P. Lennon on Pumps and Fountains; and Hydrants & Fire appliances during past month was read.

Tender for Oats & Straw

Report of Committee appointed to examine Tenders for Oats and Straw read, rejecting tenders for the former and accepting the cheapest tender for the latter - that of J. McCarthy at 2/5 per cwt.

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor Callan.

Housing Loan Repayment of

Communication read from Commissioners of Public Works enclosing form of Guarantee for repayment of proposed loan for Artizans and Labourers Dwellings.

Ordered that the Guarantee be signed.

Housing Scheme Assent to borrowing

Letter read from Bank of Ireland assenting to borrowing of proposed loan of £5,000 for Artizans and Labourers Dwellings.

Communicated.

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1910. November 2nd. Notice of Audit

Communication read from J. A. Reddy Local Govt. Auditor announcing his intention to commence the audit of the Accounts of the Corporation in respect of the year ending 31st March 1910.

Annual Revision of Valuation

Read Letter from General Valuation Office intimating that the annual Revision of the Valuation of the Urban District would be commenced by Mr. A. E. Mills about the 29th October.

Fire at Townrath

An application of Patrick White for 9/6 for services at a fire at Townrath was refused.

State Aid for Blind and Deaf Mutes

A Resolution of the North Dublin Board of Guardians relative to State Aid for the Blind and Deaf Mutes was read and adopted.

Rate Collection L.G.B. decline to grant extension to close

Letter read from the Local Government Board declining to assent to an extension of time for the closing of the Rate Collection in respect of the half year ending 30th September 1910.

Ordered that a copy of the letter be transmitted to the Collector.

Removal of Telephone Pole in Bachelor's Lane

On the motion of Councillor ~~Skeffington~~ Callaghan seconded by Councillor Skeffington the Town Clerk was directed to draw the attention of the National Telephone Co. to their failure to comply with the notice served upon them to remove a pole in Bachelors Lane, and the Estate, Law and Finance Committee was authorized to deal with the matter.

Leases executed unto:- A. Murdock & Sons Ltd.

The following Leases were this day executed:-

(1.) Unto A. Murdock & Sons Ltd., of premises situate at Old Abbey for 75 years from the 25th march 1909 at the yearly rent of £32. Covenants to expend £600 on buildings and to insure in the sum of £800.

James Smyth

(2.) Unto James Smyth, Solicitor, of premises situate on the South side of Laurence Street for 31 years from the 25th march 1909 at the yearly rent of £21. To expend £12, and insure in £500.

Thomas Reilly

(3.) Unto Thomas Reilly of premises Marsh Road for 75 years from the 29th September 1910 at the yearly rent of £6:1:0. To expend £200 and to insure for £200.

Jno. J. Callan 16/11/10.

1910. November 16th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Wednesday the 16th day of November 1910

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.

Alderman P. P. Keeley.

Councillors:- P. Drew, E. W. McArdle, T. V. McQuillan, P. Lynch, J. Clarke, J. Callaghan, J. Dolan, D. Branigan, W. T. Skeffington and L. Moore.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Books examined and signed.

Hire of Steam Roller &c.

Report of Borough Surveyor read, intimating that he had hired the Steam Roller to the Meath County Council, and giving a return of the work performed by Corrigan at Killineer Quarry.

Ordered that the return required by the Council be supplied.

Steel v Corporation Requisition to tax Costs.

Report of Estate Law and Finance Committee read, intimating that at the suggestion of the Gas Works Committee they had authorized the Town Clerk to affix the Corporate Seal and sign a Requisition to Tax the costs of Messrs. Goodbody and Mr. J. H. McCann in respect of the action Steel v Corporation amounting to £269:8:6 and £81:4:6, respectively; and that upon the advice of the Solicitor to the Corporation they had directed the Town Clerk to notify Sir Charles A. Cameron that as from the 1st March next the Corporation would consider themselves freed from any further payment to him as Public Analyst beyond their fair proportion of such salary as may be fixed by the County Council.

Payment of Analyst's Salary

The report was adopted.

Rate Collection

Letter read from the Rate Collector in relation to the closing of his collection for the half year ended 30th September.

Ordered that the same be forwarded to the Local Govt. Board.

Labourers Acts W. J. Carberys & John Moore's holdings compulsorily acquired

Notice of Proposed compulsory acquisition of Lands by the Meath Rural District Council of Drogheda Union ~~for~~ Under the Labourers Acts, in the occupation of W. J. Carberry and John Moore tenants

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tenants of the Corporation, submitted.

It was agreed to assent to such acquisition.

Housing Scheme
Loan of £5,000 recommended

Letter read from the Local Government Board informing the Council that they had recommended to the Commissioners of Public Works the loan of £5000 for the erection of artizans and labourers Dwellings.

Advertising of Fairs

It was decided to advertise the Fairs in the Argus Almanac for 1911.

"Sloblands"
Question of tenure

The Council next discussed in committee with the members of the Harbour Board the question of the tenure of portion of the Sloblands.

On the motion of alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Heffington it was Resolved:—

Joint Committee of Members of Harbour Board and Corporation appointed

"That a special meeting of the Corporation be called for Monday next to appoint 4 representatives to meet 4 representatives of the Harbour Board to discuss the question of sloblands and take such steps as may be deemed necessary in the matter, the Mayor to act as Chairman."

Jno Callaghan
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Special Meeting

Minutes of a special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at noon on Monday the 21st day of Nov. 1910, to select four members to represent the Council upon a conference with four representatives of the Harbour Board in relation to the tenure of the sloblands, and to delegate to such representatives such powers as may be deemed advisable.

Present:

In the chair— His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman— P. P. Keeley.
Councillors:— P. Drew, J. Clarke, J. Dolan, J. Davis, and T. V. McQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting having been read

Councillor Drew proposed, Councillor Dolan seconding,

"Sloblands"
Committee appointed to confer with Harbour Board &c.

That alderman Keeley and Councillors— McQuillan, Davis and Callaghan be and are hereby appointed to represent the Corporation on the proposed conference.

Motion put and carried unanimously.

Jno Callaghan
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 7th December 1910.

Present:

In the chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley.

Councillors:- J. Jordan, P. Drew, J. Clarke, T. Byrne, J. Davis, J. Callaghan, J. Callan, E. W. McArdle, T. V. Whitlaw, D. Branigan, W. J. Heffington, and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Book examined and signed.

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Payments

Payments Ordered amounting to £928:0:9 Borough Fund and £4:4:0 Public Library account.

Letting of portion of Weigh Crane for slaughtering of Cattle

On the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor Byrne, it was agreed to let portion of the Weigh Crane premises to the Louth and Meath Farmers Association for the slaughtering of cattle at the yearly rent of £2:10:0, the Association to carry out all necessary alterations.

Weigh Crane Killineer
Return of work

Report of Borough Surveyor read giving particulars with regard to the work performed by Corrigan in Killineer Quarry. No order made.

Pumps & Fountain
Fireat P. McGrath's Newtown

Report of J. Lennon upon the condition of the Pumps and Fountains, and a Fire at Patrick McGrath's, Newtown, read.

No order made.

Old Age Pension Comtee
Councillor Byrne re-appointed

Councillor Byrne was, upon the motion of Councillor Heffington seconded by Alderman Keeley, re-appointed a member of the Old Age Pensions Committee.

Repair of "Butter Gate"

Letter read from the Secretary Commissioners of Public Works intimating that the ancient monument known as "Butter Gate" was not vested in them.

Ordered that the monument be kept in repair and the ground around it kept clean.

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Communication read from J. J. Farrell, Solicitor, relating to the taxation of the costs of Mr. J. H. McCann in the action – Steel v Corporation.

Steel v Corporation
Taxation of Costs

Ordered that the same be transmitted to the Gas Works Department.

Distress Committee
Auditor's Report

The Report of the Local Government Auditor upon the audit of the accounts of the Distress Committee for the past season was read and was considered satisfactory.

Officer's Clothing

Upon his application the Mace Bearer was authorized to procure a suit of clothes.

The following letter was read:-

St. Peters, Drogheda, 3rd December 1910.

Dear Mr. Connolly,

Letter of thanks from Archd. Segrave for vote of condolence on death of Fr. Finegan

I beg very sincerely in my own name and the name of the Priests associated with me, to thank through you the Mayor and Corporation for their sympathy with us on the lamented death of Father Finegan.

We feel deeply the honour they have paid him in convening for this purpose a special meeting of the Council and still more their tribute of special respect in attending in State his obsequies and funeral. We have suffered a great loss, a loss which you rightly say is that also of the whole town, for he dearly loved the betterment of every family in it and made it his life work. But it is a great consolation to have this recognition of his services from the Corporation in their own name and that of the citizens they represent.

Believe me, very sincerely and gratefully,

P. Segrave.

Jno J. Callan
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 21st day of December 1910.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- A. P. Keeley,
Councillors:- L. Moore, D. Branigan, P. Lynch, J. Callaghan, F. Byrne, J. Clarke, and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Book examined and signed.

List of Arrears of Lost Rates approved

The Rate Collector's Lists of Arrears and Irrecoverable Rates, amounting to £141:1:8 were submitted and approved.

Letting of old Jail premises for slaughtering of Cattle
No order made

Councillor Moore proposed, as a matter of pressing importance, and Councillor Clarke seconded,– that the old Jail premises be set to the Louth and Meath Farmers Association at a rent of £2:10:0 per annum for the slaughtering of cattle in connection with the proposed Dead meat Trade.

No ruling was made thereon there being an equal number of votes for and against.

Sloblands Conference. Report on

A Report upon the Conference between the representatives of the Corporation and the Harbour Board, in relation to portion of the foreshore or sloblands, setting out what had taken place and how the matter had resulted, was read.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Lynch seconded by Councillor Clarke.

Letter of thanks from P. Finegan for vote of condolence

Letter read from P. Finegan, Collon, thanking the Council for their vote of condolence with the relatives of the late Fr. M. Finegan C.C.

Numbering of houses Windmill Lane

Letter read from John Brion, Windmill Lane, suggesting that the doors of the houses in Windmill Lane should be numbered.

Ordered that the Corporation Cottages be numbered.

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Upon their application the workmen were granted a holiday upon the 27th December and the 2nd January.

Rate Collection Poundage fees

Read, a letter from the Local Government Board assenting to the payment of poundage fees to the Rate Collector on the amount lodged by him to the 14th October in respect of the collection of the first moiety of the poor rate for the current year.

No order made.

Thomas Callan

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 4th day of January 1911.

Present:

In the Chair – Councillor J. Callan.
Alderman L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:– Moore, J. Davis, J. Callaghan, D. Jordan, J. Clarke, J. Byrne and J. V. McQuillan.

Minutes

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Book examined and signed.

Payments

Payments ordered amounting to £143:13:5 Borough Fund, and £5:3:6 Public Library account.

Engine & Pumps in Killineer Quarry

It being brought under notice, as a matter of pressing importance, and the Engine and Pump in the Killinar Quarry were immersed in water, it was ordered that they be forthwith cleared of water.

Flooding of.

The Waterworks Plumber gave an assurance that they were quite safe and would not be injuriously affected by the flooding of the quarry.

On the motion of Councillor Byrne, seconded by Councillor Davis the following report of the Estate, Law and Finance Committee was adopted:–

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda

Gentlemen,

Fixing of Rents of Joseph Dwyer's premises occupied by K. Molloy.

In compliance with your request we have again taken into consideration the matter of the fixing of the rents of Mr. Dwyer's premises, Bull Ring, and the premises in Dyer Street lately in the occupation of Richard Mooney, deceased, and for which Mrs Katie Molloy has applied for a lease.

Mr. Dwyer submitted accounts of his expenditures but we were unable to ascertain from them the sums expended upon the different portions of the premises. Mr. Dwyer was not able to help us in this respect, he attended meetings and explained his position. We asked him to agree to such rent as Mr. George A. Daly might fix after having fully considered all the circumstances and

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and, subsequently, offered to appoint Mr. Daly to represent the Corporation and to allow Mr. Dwyer to appoint a valuer on his behalf, and to be bound by the Valuers' decision, but Mr. Dwyer would not accept either offer and therefore we are obliged to leave the settling of the matter to you.

Mrs Molloy was asked to make a definite proposal, and in reply through her solicitors, Messrs. Smyth & Son, withdrew all previous proposals. A sub committee was then appointed to inspect the premises and interview Mrs. Molloy and they were led to expect that a definite proposal would be made. However, after waiting for a considerable time it was intimated that if a definite proposal was forthcoming by next meeting ejectment proceedings would be instituted. Messrs Smyth & Son replied that Mrs. Molloy would not renew the tenant and would not renew her application and we accordingly instructed the Solicitor to recover possession.

Lease for 99 years to John J. Hoey

Mr. J. J. Hoey having made a proposal for a lease for 99 years at the yearly rent of £11 of portion of the premises No. 34 Shop Street upon the condition that he would expend about £600 upon new buildings we accepted the offer and asked Mr Hoey to submit plans. The Plans being satisfactory we directed that steps be taken to apply to the Local Government Board for their sanction and we now report the matter for your approval.

Dated 19th December 1910. John J. Callan Chairman.

A letter from Mr. Dwyer, assenting to arbitration and naming Mr. R. McIntosh, being read it was agreed to allow the arbitration to proceed.

Housing Scheme Loan of £5,600 sanctioned.

Letter read from the Secretary, Office of Public Works intimating that the Treasury had sanctioned a loan of £5600 to the Corporation for the erection of Artizans Dwellings, repayable in 50 years with interest at the rate of 2½ per cent.

Auditor's Report year ending March 1910.

Communication read from the Local Government Board enclosing a copy of the Report of the auditor, together with attested abstracts of the accounts, upon his audit of the accounts of the Corporation for the year ended 31st March 1910.

Consideration of the matter was deferred.

Jno Callan

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1911 January 23rd

Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Monday the 23rd day of January 1911.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– P. P. Keeley, P. Lyons, L. J. Elcock, T. McCullough, S. Jordan.

Councillors:– W. T. Skeffington, P. D. McIvor, D. Branigan, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, P. Tallan, L. Moore, J. Davis, J. Dolan, T. Reid, T. V. McQuillan, J. A. Gannon, P. Drew, J. Magrane, J. Clarke, and J. A. C. Noonan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Election of Mayor

Alderman Elcock proposed, and Alderman Lyons seconded,– that Councillor J. J. Callan be and is hereby re-elected Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1912.

Councillor Noonan proposed himself which was seconded by Councillor Magrane.

On a Poll there voted for – Callan

Councillor J. J. Callan elected

Aldermen:– Keeley, Lyons, Elcock & Jordan. Councillors– Skeffington, McIvor, Branigan, Callaghan, Lynch, Tallan, Moore, Davis, Dolan, Reid, McQuillan, Gannon, and Drew. (17)

For Noonan. Alderman McCullough; Councillors– Clarke and Magrane. (3)

The Chairman accordingly declared himself re-elected Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1912, and thereupon made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and subscribed the Oaths appertaining to the Office of Mayor and of Justice of the Peace.

Adjournment

On the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Moore it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting until the 1st February prox. at noon.

J. M. J. Callan
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Minutes of an adjourned Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 1st day of February 1911.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– J. J. Maginn, P. P. Keeley.

Councillors:– J. Clarke, E. W. McArdle, T. Reid, T. V. McQuillan, J. Dolan, P. Lynch, J. Callaghan, D. Branigan, P. D. McIvor, W. T. Skeffington, L. Moore and J. McGrane.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Book examined and signed.

Payments

Payments ordered amounting to £583:2:11 Borough Fund and £12:0:8 Public Library Account.

Dates of Quarterly Meetings

On the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Skeffington it was unanimously Resolved:–

That the remaining Quarterly Meetings for the year shall be held at noon on the first Wednesday's of april, July, and October."

Appointment of Committees

The following Committees were agreed to for the ensuing year.

Bye Laws and Markets Committee:

His Worship the Mayor; Aldermen Lyons and Elcock; Councillors– Moore, McIvor, Tallan, Magrane, Branigan, Noonan.

Estate, Law and Finance Committee:

His Worship the Mayor; Aldermen– Keeley and Jordan; Councillors– Dolan, Lynch, Callaghan, Davis, Drew and Clarke.

Gas Works Committee:

His Worship the Mayor; Aldermen– Lyons, McCullough and Elcock; Councillors– Moore, Lynch, Drew, Skeffington and Reid.

Waterworks Committee:

His Worship the Mayor; Aldermen– Lyons, Elcock and Jordan; Councillors– Moore, Callaghan, Skeffington, Magrane & Davis.

Technical Instruction Committee:

His Worship the Mayor; Alderman McCullough; Councillors– Drew, Dolan, McQuillan, McArdle, Tallan; Rt. Rev. Mgr. P. Segrave; Vy. Rev. J. Curry, Rev. Canon Ledoux; Dr. W. Bradley; Messrs. W. J. D. Walker

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Walker and J.W. Harbinson.
Public Library Committee:
His Worship the Mayor; Alderman - Keeley and McCullough;
Councillors - Moore, McKeffington, Drew, Clarke, Noonan and
Gannon; Rt. Rev. Mgr. Pilgrave, Vy. Rev. J. Curry, Rev. Canon
L.O.S. Ledoux, Rev. T.R. Brunskill; Messrs. - M.A. Casey,
T. McElderry, A. J. McQuillan, and J. Gray.
Housing Committee:
His Worship the Mayor; Aldermen - Keeley, Lyons and Jordan;
Councillors - Magrane, Lynch and McKeffington.

Old Age Pensions Committee Coun. McIvor elected on

Councillor McIvor was selected to fill a vacancy in the old age Pensions Committee in room of Mr. T. Byrne.

Erection of Lamp Letter Box.

Subject to the approval of the Borough Surveyor permission was given the Postal authorities to erect a Lamp Letter Box at the junction of North Road and Windmill Lane.

Approval of plans for erection of 44 Houses by Boyne Spinning & Weaving Co.

Subject to slight alterations required by the Borough Surveyor the Council approved Plans for the erection of four dwellings on the Marsh Road by the Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co. Ltd.

Complaint re condition of Windows of House, Hand St.

A complaint of Thomas Doyle, Hand Street, regarding the condition of the Windows of his house, was referred to the Boro Surveyor.

Footpath at Mell Committee appointed re

The Representatives of the West Gate Ward were appointed a Committee to investigate and report upon an application from residents of Mell for a footpath to be concreted.

L.G.B.'s consent to granting of 99 years Leases to Mc Kelly & J.F. Hoey

Letter read from the Local Government Board assenting to the granting of Leases for 99 years unto Michael Kelly of premises Duleek Street and to John Francis Hoey of premises No. 24 Shop Street.

List of Arrears of Lot Rates L.G.B.'s sanction to

Further Communication from the Board, read, sanctioning the Rate Collectors Lists of arrears and Lot Rates for past half year.

Jno. J. Callan
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 15th day of February 1911.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P.P. Keeley.
Councillors:- J. Callaghan, J.A.C. Noonan, C. Drew, E. McArdle, J. Davis, T. McQuillan, J. Dolan, J. McGrane, J. Clarke, T. Reid, R.D. McIvor, D. Branigan, and L. Moore.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Book examined and signed, & deducted for fire in Mrs. Flanagans premises Duke Street pending report thereon.

Report of Borough Surveyor read, intimating that the Plans for the four dwellings proposed to be erected by the Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co. were in order.

Fittings for Pumps & Fountains

Report of Peter Lennon read stating that internal fittings were required for some fountains, the cost of which would be about £2.; that the Pumps and Fountains were in good order; that a Fire had occurred in Trinity Street which had been extinguished by the Fire Brigade, and that the Engine and Pump in Killineer quarry had been cleared of water.

Fire Trinity St

Ordered that the fittings be obtained for the fountains, and that a Return be made of the expenditure upon clearing away the water from the Engine and Pump.

Return of expenditure upon clearing water

Housing Scheme Erection of 40 Houses ✓

Report from Housing Committee read, recommending the erection of forty artizans Dwellings of No. 1 design (four rooms), and that a Clerk of Works be engaged at a remuneration of £2:2:0 per week.

Clerk of Works ✓

It being unanimously agreed that the wages of the clerk of works should be £2:10:0 per week the report was adopted upon that understanding, tenders to be invited &c in due course.

New Gas Main at Mell ✓

Report of Gas Works Committee read, intimating that a new main would be laid at Mell, that from Cairn well to to the Chapel of Ease; that they could not make any recommendation on

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on the application of the Workmens I.A. Society; and that they could not recommend the laying of a gas main in Stoney Lane.

Ordered that the lamp over the door of the Workmens I.A. Society be lighted nightly.

Concreting

A report of a sub committee recommending the concreting of a footpath at meell was read and referred to the Estate, Law & Finance Committee.

Rent of Joseph Dwyer's premises.

Communication read from Messrs. Geo. H. Daly and Robert McIntosh intimating that they had agreed that the rent of Mr. Joseph Dwyer's premises Bull Ring should be £30 per annum with a Lease for 21 years.

On the motion of Councillor McArdle seconded by Councillor McGrane the communication was approved, Alderman Keeley dissenting and also Councillor McIvor.

John's Gate Tower Maintenance of Ancient Monuments

Upon the suggestion of Mr. Joseph Dolan Arder it was decided to ask the Commissioners of Public Works to take over the control and maintenance of the ancient Monument known as "Johns Gate Tower".

Admission of Press to Committee Meetings

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor McIvor moved:- "That the Press be admitted to all the meetings of the different Committees appointed by Municipal Council with liberty to report the proceedings at same."

Motion not carried

Councillor McGrane seconded. On a division there voted-for the motion:- Councillors- McIvor, McGrane, Noonan and Wardle. Against the Motion:- Alderman Keeley; Councillors:- Branigan, Reid, Callaghan, Dolan, Clarke, Drew, Davis and McQuilan. The motion was declared lost.

Condolence

On the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor Drew, a vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with Councillor Heffington upon the death of his father.

Jno Callaghan
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 1st day of March 1911.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor

Aldermen:- A. Jordan, L. J. Elcock, P. O. Keeley.

Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, P. Drew, T. Reid, J. Davis, T. V. McQuilan, J. A. Gannon, J. Clarke, L. Moore, J. Callaghan, P. D. McIvor, D. Branigan and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments

Payments ordered amounting to £1630: 17: 6 Borough Funds and £11: 5: 11 Public Library account.

Wages

Wages Book examined and signed.

Erection of Post Box

Report of Borough Surveyor read, intimating that the Post Box proposed to be erected at the junction of the North Road and the Windmill Lane was unsuitable.

He was directed to see the Postmistress about the matter.

Cost of clearing Water out of Killineer Quarry

Reports of Peter Lennon read stating that the cost of clearing the water out of Killineer quarry was £9: 12: 6.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to furnish further particulars.

Fire in Fair St.

Report of P. Weldon upon the fire in Mr. P. Flanagan's premises Fair Street, read.

The report was considered satisfactory.

M. J. Kierans appointed on Public Library Committee

At the suggestion of the Public Library Committee Mr. M. J. Kierans was added to that Committee.

Holding of Fairs

Report of Inspector of Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction in relation to Drogheda Fair on the 8th February read. No order made.

The following letter was read:-

West Street, Drogheda, 28th February 1911

Dear

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Letter of thanks from Councillor Skeffington for vote of Condolence

Dear Mr. Connolly,

Kindly convey to the members of the Council my most sincere thanks for the expression of deep sympathy and the vote of Condolence passed to me on the occasion of the death of my dear Father, who for over fifty years took the Keenest interest in the proceedings of the Public Bodies of Drogheda.

The other members of the family desire me to also express their heartfelt thanks.

Sincerely yours,

J.B. Connolly Esq. W. T. Skeffington.

Resignation of Charles E. McCann as Rate Collector ✓

Letter read from Charles E. McCann tendering his resignation of the position of Rate Collector

It was agreed to accept the resignation as at the 31st March.

Date for striking of Rates

Letter from the Local Government Board read, drawing attention to the date for the striking of rates. No order made.

Irish Road Congress ✓

The Mayor and Alderman Elcock were appointed as Delegates to the Second Irish Road Congress.

Return of moneys paid to J. H. McCann Solicitor

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Noonan moved:- "That the Borough Treasurer furnish to the Council a complete and explanatory statement of all moneys under every head paid to John H. McCann Solr. during the time he has acted as Solr. for the Council; that all amounts be given year by year; that receipts for all cheques paid to the said John H. McCann be produced."

Alderman Keeley having seconded, the motion was put and carried.

Other Notices of Motion of Councillor Noonan were submitted.

They were either withdrawn, ruled out of order or not seconded.

Jno J Callan
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March 8th.

Special meeting re Sloblands

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 8th day of March 1911; to consider Report of Committee in Connection with Sloblands.

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
also present:

Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. P. Keeley
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, T. V. McQuillan, J. Davis, J. A. Gannon, J. Clarke, L. Moore, P. D. McIvor, J. Dolan and J. Callaghan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

The Report of the Committee; their Statement to the Board of Trade; and the Statement of the Harbour Board to the Board of Trade dealing with the Sloblands at St. James, which it is proposed to secure for industrial purposes were read.

Sloblands Joint application to Board of Trade for grant in perpetuity Consent to waive right to strip along Morningbourne ✓

On the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor Callaghan it was the Report of the Committee and their Statement were unanimously adopted, and the Town Clerk was directed to communicate with the Harbour Commissioners intimating that, acting upon the advice of the Board of Trade, the Corporation would be prepared to join in a joint application to the Board of Trade for a grant in perpetuity; to waive their rights in the portion of the Sloblands which had been leased to the Harbour Commissioners and to undertake the reclamation of the Sloblands.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 15th day of March 1911.

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.

also present:

Aldermen:- T. McCullough, L.J. Elcock, P. Lyons, P.P. Keeley and J.J. Maginn.

Councillors:- E. McArdle, J.A.C. Noonan, J. Clarke, T. Reid, J. McShane, P. Drew, J. Davis, P. Lynch, J.A. Fannon, J. Callaghan, W.T. Keffington, D. Branigan, J. Dolan, L. Moore, and S.D. McIvor.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Book examined and signed.

Report of Borough Surveyor, regarding the employment of Corrigan in Killineer quarry, read. No order made.

Pumps & Fountains

Read, a Report of Peter Lennon upon the condition of the Pumps and Fountains. No order made.

Steel v Corporation

The consideration of a report of the Gas Works Committee re the action Steel v Corporation was adjourned pending the attendance of the Solicitor to the Corporation and the Secretary of the Gas Works Department to explain matters in connection with the report.

Exposing Cattle for Sale on certain Streets

Communication from the Head Constable R.I.C. Drogheda, read, enquiring whether the Corporation desired the Police to bring prosecutions against persons obstructing the thoroughfare by exposing cattle for sale other than in places set apart for the purpose.

The Town Clerk was directed to reply that the Corporation desired such prosecutions to be brought.

Tenders for Artizans Dwellings

Six Tenders were submitted for the building of Artizans Dwellings.

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Che. Fogarty's Tender accepted

that of Christopher Fogarty, Drogheda being the lowest, — £5,175:0:0 for forty dwellings of brick, ~~under~~ £5,263:10:0 for 40 dwellings of stone, being £129:7:6 and £131:11:9 per house respectively, — the same was accepted unanimously, brick dwellings being chosen.

Several applications for the position of Clerk of Works of the proposed Housing Scheme were read.

Clerk of Works

Francis Collins, was proposed by Councillor McShane seconded by Cllr. Clarke,

Robert W. Hayes, by Councillor Davis seconded by Alderman Keeley,

and Stephen Martin, by Councillor Callaghan, seconded by Councillor Lynch.

A Poll was taken when there voted for:—

Collins:— Aldermen:- McCullough, Maginn, Lyons.

Councillors:— McArdle, Noonan, McShane, Reid, McIvor, Fannon, Clarke, Branigan and Keffington. (12.)

Fras. Collins elected

Hayes:— Alderman Keeley.

Councillors:- Drew and Davis. (3.)

Martin:— Alderman Elcock.

Councillors:- Lynch, Moore, Dolan and Callaghan. (5.)

Francis Collins was accordingly declared elected.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Noonan moved:-

2nd year's office as Mayor

"That in future no member of the Council shall receive a second year's office as Mayor until the position has in turn been accepted by or offered to each member of the Council." Alderman Maginn seconded. On a Poll there voted —

For the Motion:— Aldermen:- Maginn and McCullough.

Councillors:- McArdle, Noonan, McIvor, Fannon, Clarke and Branigan. (8.)

Motion not carried

Against the Motion:— Aldermen:- Elcock, Lyons and Keeley.

Councillors:- McShane, Reid, Drew, Davis, Lynch, Moore, Dolan, Callaghan, Keffington (9)

The Motion was declared lost.

Proposed by Councillor Keffington, seconded by Alderman Keeley and Resolved:-

Sealing of Deed of Mortgage to Board of Works

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Five Thousand

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Thousand Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1908 and the incorporated amending or extending Acts.

The Mortgage referred to was thereupon duly executed.

Proposed by Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor Dolan and Resolved:-

Loan of £5,000. Requisitions for instalment to be signed.

"That inasmuch as this Council does not immediately require from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland the total amount of the sum mentioned in the Deed of Mortgage to them this day executed by this Council, but prefer to receive the same by instalments as occasion may require, it is Resolved that the requisitions for each advance shall be intimated to said Commissioners by the Chairman of this Council for the time being, countersigned by the Town Clerk. And that each such requisition shall be forwarded to the Accountant of the said Commissioners and that all such advances shall be lodged to our Account as the Corporation of Drogheda in the Drogheda Branch of the Bank of Ireland".

Jno Callan
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Special meeting

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 22nd day of March 1911, to consider reply from Harbour Board re Sloblands.

His Worship the Mayor presided.

also present:

Alderman P.P. Keeley.

Councillors:- J.A.C. Noonan, J. Clarke, T. Reid, P. Drew, J.A. Gernon, J. Dolan, J. McShane, J. Callaghan and S.D. McIvor.

The notice convening the meeting was read.

Sloblands Harbour Board to join in joint application to Board of Trade

Letter read from the Secretary Drogheda Harbour Commrs intimating that that body was prepared to join with the Corporation in an application to the Board of Trade for a grant or a lease of the Sloblands at St. James upon the understanding that the Corporation would waive their rights, would undertake to reclaim the Sloblands, and that the grant or lease would vest solely in the Commissioners.

The Town Clerk was directed to point out in greater detail the attitude of the Corporation and to endeavour to make the position as clear as possible.

Jno Callan
April 19th 1911

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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 5th day of April 1911.

His Worship the Mayor presided.

also present:

Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock, P. P. Keeley, C. Lyons.

Councillors:- E. McArdle, J. Clarke, J. A. C. Noonan, P. Drew, J. McGrane, J. Davis, J. A. Gannon, J. Callaghan, T. V. MacQuillan, P. D. McIvor, T. Reid, S. Branigan, W. J. Heffington, and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Book examined and signed.

Payments — Payments ordered amounting to £695:5:10 Borough Fund, and £9:17:6 Public Library Account.

Pumps & Fountains — Monthly Report of Peter Gannon upon condition of Pumps and Fountains read.

Ordered that cups be attached to Fountains at North Quay and Wellington Quay.

Borough Surveyor's Report read. No order made.

Auditor's Report — The Report of the Auditor upon the audit of the Accounts for the financial year ending 31st March 1910, and a Report of the Gas Works Committee in re the action - Steel v the Corporation were considered.

Steel v Corporation — It was agreed to reconsider these matters at next meeting.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 19th day of April 1911.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- P. P. Keeley, L. J. Elcock

Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. McGrane, E. McArdle, J. Davis, J. Callaghan, T. Reid, P. D. McIvor, J. Clarke, P. Drew, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Dolan and J. Gannon.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Book examined and signed.

Road Board Conference — Report of Borough Surveyor enclosing copy of a joint report relating to the Road Board Conference, read. No order made.

Steel v Corporation — Report of Gas Works Committee on the subject of the action - Steel v Corporation - read.

Having heard explanations from the Solicitor to the Corporation and from the Secretary of the Gas Works it was agreed that no action could be taken in the matter.

The following Report of the Estate, Law and Finance Committee was read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Keeley, seconded by Councillor Davis:-

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

Vacancy in position of Rate Collector — The Vacancy in the position of Rate Collector has been duly reported to us and we have had the matter under consideration.

Terms of appointment — We recommend you to appoint on the 21st April instant, a suitable person to this office whose remuneration shall be a commission of fourpence in the pound upon his collection, the security to be the same amount as that given by the late Collector - £1000. And we further recommend that the person appointed shall be required to give an undertaking to comply with such directions as the Town Clerk may deem advisable for the obtaining of accurate information for the preparation of the Voters and Jurors Lists in addition to the duties imposed by Statute.

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Striking of Rate

We have had the question of the striking of a Rate for the current financial year under consideration for the past few weeks, and we have arrived at the conclusion to recommend the levying of the same rates as those which have been made for the past few years, viz- a Consolidated Rate of four shillings in the £ and a Sanitary Rate of one shilling and six pence in the £. Under ordinary circumstances it would not be possible to make such a recommendation, but a proposal will shortly be submitted to you which, it is expected, will tend in the direction of more economic administration.

Building Lease to Patrick Phillips

We recommend the granting of a Building Lease for 75 years from the 25th March last, at the yearly rent of £5:10:0, with a covenant to expend £350 on new buildings, unto Mr. Patrick Phillips of premises North Road, at present held by him under a lease at the yearly rent of £4:13:4. Mr Phillips has already expended a sum of about £300 in building a new house in anticipation of obtaining the building lease now recommended.

Independent Valuer P. J. O'Brien to be engaged

We ask for authority to engage, when considered desirable, the services of Mr. P. J. O'Brien, Lawrence Street, Drogheda, to value house property at a fee of £2:2:0 per valuation.

Dated 12th April 1911. John J. Callan, Chairman.

P. H. McCarthy's report on Waterworks

Report read from Water Works Committee intimating that the services of Mr. P. H. McCarthy B.E. had been engaged and that he had made an inspection and report upon the Waterworks; that it had been decided to carry all Mr. McCarthy's recommendations into effect, save the suggestion to pipe the water from Barnattin to Killineer, and recommending that Mr. McCarthy's services should be retained for the preparation of detailed plans, estimates and other work as may be necessary for obtaining a loan.

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Keeley seconded by Councillor McArdle, save the portion dealing with the retention of Mr. McCarthy's services upon which further information as to fees was desired.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Alderman Keeley moved and Councillor Noonan seconded:-

"That

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Prize Scheme for Cottages

"That the Finance Committee be empowered to draw up and present to the Council (1)- a Prize Scheme for the best Kept cottages and gardens occupied by tenants of the Corporation, (2)- for the best kept cottages not provided with gardens."

Motion put and carried unanimously.

Granite Crossings

Councillor McGrane moved pursuant to notice of motion:-

"That Granite Crossings be laid down in the following places in the Borough - At St. Thomas Ballans, Laurence Gate, the north and south side of St. Mary's Bridge, and Dublin Gate at Mrs. Doyle's."

On a show of hands it was agreed by 8 to 4 to postpone the matter until a new Borough Surveyor has been appointed.

List of Arrears & Lost Rates approved

The Rate Collectors Lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates amounting to £14:18:0 and £84:2:6 respectively in respect of the Consolidated Rate and £29:3:1 and £33:2:1 in respect of the Sanitary Rate were submitted and were approved.

Letters and [illegible] upon which no order was made were read from:

The Workmans Total Abstinence Society regarding a shelter for Quay laborers
J. Berry, Georges Street, regarding a refund of rent.
The Local Government Board, appointing Mr. M. Cosgrave as auditor.
The Commissioners of Public Works declining to take over John Gate Tower.

Industrial Conference Delegates

The Mayor and Councillor Davis were deputed to represent the Council at the seventh All Ireland Industrial Conference.

Meat Marking (Ireland) Bill

Resolutions of the Dublin Victuallers Association and the Irish Cattle Traders and Stock Owners Association in favour of the Meat Marking (Ireland) Bill, were read and adopted.

Resignation of James Curtis as Boro' Treasurer

Letter read from the Borough Treasurer, Mr. James Curtis, tendering his resignation owing to failing health.

The resignation was accepted with regret.

Condition of roadway back of St. Mary's Cottages

Letter read from the Hon. Secretary, Cairnes Cottage Trust, drawing attention to the condition of the roadway at the rere of the Trust Cottages at St. Marys. Ordered that the Borough Surveyor do attend to the matter.

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Special meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 26th day of April 1911, to appoint a suitable person to the position of Rate Collector; and to consider report of the Estate, Law and Finance Committee regarding position of Borough Surveyor.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– L. Jordan, J. McCullough, P. Lyons, J.J. Maginn, L.J. Elcock.

Councillors:– P. Drew, J. V. McQuillan, J. A. C. Noonan, P. Tallan, E. McArdle, J. Davis, J. A. Gannon, J. Dolan, J. Reid, J. Callaghan, C.D. McIvor, D. Branigan, P. Lynch, W. J. O'Heffernan, and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Rate Collector

Two applications for the position of Rate Collector were read.

Mr. James Crawford was proposed by Alderman Elcock and seconded by Councillor O'Heffernan.

Mr. James J. McQuillan was proposed by Councillor Lynch and seconded by Councillor Davis.

A Poll was taken when there voted for —

Mr Jas J. McQuillan elected

Crawford:— Aldermen:– Elcock, McCullough and Maginn.
Councillors:– Noonan, McArdle, and O'Heffernan. (6.)

McQuillan:– Aldermen:– Jordan, Lyons.
Councillors:– Drew, McQuillan, Tallan, Davis, Gannon, Lynch, Dolan, Callaghan, Reid, McIvor, & Branigan. (13)

Mr. McQuillan was accordingly declared elected.

Position of Borough Surveyor

A Report of the Estate, Law and Finance Committee regarding the position of Borough Surveyor was read.

Alderman Elcock moved and Councillor Tallan seconded that the report be rejected.

On a Division there voted.

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For the Motion – Aldermen:– Elcock, Lyons.
Councillors:– McArdle, Dolan, Gannon, Callaghan, McIvor and His Worship the Mayor. (8.)

Against the Motion – Aldermen:– Jordan, Maginn.
Councillors:– Lynch, Dolan, Reid & O'Heffernan (6.)

Did not vote:– Alderman McCullough; ~~Councillors Davis & Branigan~~
Councillors:– Davis, Drew and Branigan (4.)

The Motion was declared carried.

Mr. J.J. Burke requested to resign as Borough Surveyor

Being requested to do so Mr. J. J. Burke tendered his resignation of the position of Borough Surveyor, and the same was accepted upon the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Alderman Elcock.

Suspension of Standing Orders

Alderman Elcock thereupon moved the suspension of the Standing Orders, Councillor McArdle seconding.

Motion put and carried unanimously.

Borough Surveyor to be appointed – Terms and qualifications

A considerable discussion then ensued, and eventually Councillor Davis proposed, which was seconded by Councillor Tallan and unanimously carried –

That three weeks from this day the Council do proceed to appoint a fit and proper person holding a Degree in Civil Engineering of some recognised College or University, whose age does not exceed forty five years and with not less than ten years practical experience, to the position of Borough Surveyor at a Salary of £300 per annum; the person appointed to enter into an Agreement with the Council and to be required to devote his entire time to the duties of the Office.

Resignation of Alderman Keeley

Letter read from Alderman Keeley tendering his resignation as an Alderman for Fair Gate Ward.

The resignation was accepted with regret upon the motion of Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor Callaghan.

Councillor Tallan thereupon proposed a Vote of Thanks to Mr. Keeley for his valuable services as a member of the Council. The Motion being seconded by Councillor Dolan was put and carried unanimously.

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May 3rd

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 3rd day of May 1911.

His Worship the Mayor presided.
also present:

Aldermen:- Luke J. Elcock.

Councillors:- J. Clarke, J. A. Noonan, J. McGrane, J. A. Gannon, J. Davis, T. V. McQuillan, J. Callaghan, T. Reid, D. Branigan, J. Dolan, P. Drew.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages — Wages Book examined and signed.

Payments — Payments ordered amounting to £418: 10: 5 Borough Fund, and £5: 2: 6 Public Library Account

Pumps & Fountains — Monthly Report of Peter Lennon intimating that the Pumps and Fountains were kept in working order during the past month, read. No order made.

Adjournment of Auditor's Report — The consideration of the Auditor's Report for the year ending 31st March 1910 and the Reports of the Town Clerk and the Secretary of the Gas Works Department in connection therewith, was adjourned.

Election on Committees — In room of the late Alderman Keeley Councillor Davis was selected as a member of the Housing Committee, and Councillor Gannon as a member of the Old Age Pensions Committee ~~and~~

Mr. Keeley was unanimously elected an "outside" member of the Public Library Committee.

Councillor Davis proposed, Councillor Callaghan seconding, that Councillor Tallan be selected to fill the vacancy in the Estate, Law & Finance Committee.

Councillor McGrane proposed and Councillor Clarke seconded, that Councillor Noonan be elected to

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to such vacancy.

On a division Councillor Tallan was selected by 9 votes to 3.

Sloblands — A communication from the Secretary of the Harbour Board and two communications from the Board of Trade in relation to the Foreshore or Sloblands were read, and, were referred to the Sloblands Committee.

Recoupment of Sanitary Salaries — Circular Letter from the Local Government Board relating to part recoupment of Sanitary Salaries was read. No order made.

The following letter was read:-

Laurence Gate, Drogheda, 2nd May 1911.

Dear Mr. Connolly,

Please convey to the members of the Corporation my sincere appreciation of the unanimous vote of thanks they were good enough to pass to me last week on tendering my resignation. If anything could enhance that act it was the manner in which it was conveyed by you on the part of the Council and the Officials for which I am indeed deeply grateful.

Yours faithfully
O. O. Keeley.

Letter of thanks from Ald. Keeley for vote of ~~thanks~~ congratulation

Election of Member on School Attendance Committee — The following were elected members of the School Attendance Committee:-

Councillors:- L. Moore, J. A. Gannon, P. Drew, J. Clarke & J. Callaghan.

Tender for Annual Supplies — A Committee consisting of the Mayor with Councillors Dolan, Gannon and Reid, was appointed to consider Tenders for Annual Supplies.

Rate Resolution for — On the motion of Alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor Callaghan, it was unanimously resolved:-

"That we, the Corporation of Drogheda, do order and direct that a Consolidated Municipal Rate be made, applotted, levied, assessed, and raised within the Borough of Drogheda, the said rate

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rate to be for the financial year ending the 31st day of March, 1912, and to be at the rate of forty eight pence in the pound; to be assessed, levied and raised, from and off the owners, occupiers or tenants of all hereditaments rateable for the relief of the destitute poor in Ireland; thirty five pence in the pound of such rate being to meet General District Poor Rate Charges, eleven pence in the pound thereof being to meet Borough Charges (including the maintenance of Public Works transferred from the Grand Jury), one penny in the pound thereof to meet the expenses for the purposes of the Public Libraries Acts, one penny in the pound thereof to meet the expenses for the purposes of the Technical Instruction Acts.

And it is hereby further resolved that a Sanitary Rate of Eighteen pence in the pound be made, applotted, levied and raised under the provisions of section 226 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, in the manner therein provided to meet the expenses of the Water Supply for the District."

The Estimates were thereupon submitted and were approved, and the Rate Book and the Collector's Warrant were duly signed and sealed.

Borough Surveyor Period of experience reduced.

It was unanimously agreed to reduce the period of practical experience, to be inserted in the advertisement for Borough Surveyor, from 10 years to 5 years.

Jno J Callan
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1911. May 17th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 17th day of May 1911.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, T. McCullough, P. Lyons and L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, E. McArdle, P. Drew, J. McGrane, T. V. McQuillan, J. A. Gannon, J. Dolan, P. Lynch, T. Reid, J. Callaghan, P. D. McIvor, J. Davis, and W. T. Skeffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Book examined and signed.

Change of date of June Fair

It was unanimously agreed to change the date of the June Fair from the 22nd to the 23rd June in consequence of the Coronation Holidays, the Town Clerk to give due notice to the public of the change.

Fire Brigade practices

Report read from Peter Lennon regarding practices of the Fire Brigade. No order made.

Housing Scheme Specification to be amended

Report of Housing Committee read intimating that Mr. Frederick Shaw, Architect, had been engaged to remedy imperfections in the Specification for the Artizans Dwellings and to make copies of Plans &c; that the Local Government Board had approved of the Specification as amended; and that the Contractor had been allowed fifteen months for the completion of his contract.

The report was adopted.

Sloblands

Report read from Sloblands Committee suggesting a further conference with the Harbour Commissioners to settle the matters in dispute, and recommending that the negotiations with the Board of Trade in relation to a claim of the Crown should be conducted by the Estate, Law, and Finance Committee.

The report was adopted.

It was agreed to adjourn the consideration of the Report of

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1911. May 17th. Auditor's Report

of the Auditor upon his audit of the accounts for the financial year ending 31st March 1910 until his report for the year ending 31st March 1911 has been received.

Position of Boro. Surveyor

By unanimous consent it was agreed to consider at a meeting of the Council in Committee the applications received for the position of Borough Surveyor.

Removal of Lamp North Road

Communication read from the Secretary Gas Works Department intimating that the Gas Committee proposed to to remove a lamp on the North Road at Boyne View to the opposite side of the road, and to erect an oil or acetyline gas lamp at Bellew's Houses.

The Council agreed it would be undesirable to remove the lamp as suggested.

Notice of Audit ✓

Communication from Local Government auditor read, intimating that he would open the Audit of the Accounts for the financial year ending 31st March 1911 on the 15th day of May 1911 at 11 o'clock.

Sending of Men to Killineer Quarry

Letter read from Dock Labourers Union regarding sending of men to Killineer Quarry. No order made.

Mr. J. J. McQuillan as position as Rate Collector & Clerk of Old Age Pensions Committee.

Read, a letter from the Local Government Board expressing their willingness to consider any representations the Council might make in favour of Mr. James McQuillan holding the positions of Rate Collector and Clerk to the Old Age Pensions Committee.

Ordered that the Board be informed it was the wish of the Council that Mr. McQuillan should hold both positions.

Taking over of John's Gate Tower

At the suggestion of Mr. Joseph T. Dolan it was decided to again write the Board of Works requesting them to take over the maintainence of Johns Gate Tower.

John Dolan
7/6/11

1911. June 2nd. Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Friday the 2nd day of June 1911; to make an appointment to the position of Borough Surveyor; and to consider the terms of the Agreement with regard to the Sloblands.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, T. McCullough, P. Lyons, L. J. Elcock
Councillors:- T. Reid, J. Callaghan, P. Tallan, J. Davis, J. A. C. Noonan, P. Drew, E. McArdle, T. V. McQuillan, J. A. Gannon, J. McGrane, J. Clarke, P. Lynch, J. Dolan, P. D. McIvor, D. Branigan, & W. F. Skeffington & L. Moore

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Applications for Boro. Surveyor ✓

The names of 8 Candidates for the position of Borough Surveyor - messrs Ridge, Davison, Delahunty, Hannigan, Montgomery, Punch, Munce and Fleming - were agreed to be submitted to the meeting for selection, the formality of proposing and seconding a Candidate to be dispensed with.

A Poll was thereupon taken when there voted for:-

Delahunty:- Aldermen:- T. McCullough & P. Lyons.
Councillors:- Noonan, Drew, McArdle, McQuillan, Gannon, McGrane, Clarke, Lynch, Dolan McIvor, Branigan & Skeffington (14)

Ridge:- Aldermen:- S. Jordan & L. J. Elcock
Councillors:- ~~P. Tallan~~ T. Reid & J. Callaghan (4)

T. J. Delahunty appointed

Davison:- Councillors:- P. Tallan, J. Davis, J. J. Callan (Mayor) (3)
Hannigan: Councillor L. Moore (1)

Mr. Delahunty having a clear majority of votes over the other Candidates he was accordingly declared elected.

Sloblands Joint Committee Agreement

An Agreement entered into between delegates of the Corporation and delegates of the Harbour Commissioners in relation to Sloblands was read as follows:-

"We the Delegates appointed by the Harbour Commissioners and by the Corporation of Drogheda to consider the question of the

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the Sloblands are agreed that a joint application should be made to the Board of Trade by the Harbour Commissioners and the Corporation for a grant in perpetuity or a lease for a long term of years at a nominal rent and free from restricted covenants of such Sloblands which were formerly held under lease by the Commissioners from the Board of Trade.

Revenue from letting

That the Revenue to be derived from the letting of such Sloblands shall be for the benefit of and received by the Harbour Commissioners, the sole object of the Corporation being to have a voice in the disposition of the lands acquired, so that these premises may not be tied up but should be used to the best possible public advantage.

Vesting of Corporate portion in Joint Bodies Committee

It is further agreed that for the purpose of immediately reclaiming the Sloblands the Corporation shall consent to enter into a Deed vesting the portion of the Corporate Estate which lies on the southern side of the Sloblands in question and is bounded by the Mornington Road in the Bodies jointly.

On the motion of Alderman Jordan seconded by Councillor McGrane the same was unanimously approved.

Jno. J. Callan
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1911
June 7th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 7th day of June 1911.

Present:-

In the Chair- Councillor John Dolan

Councillors:- Callaghan, E. McArdle, J. Davis, D. Branigan, J. Clarke & T. Reid.

The Notice convening the meeting was read

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Book examined and signed.

Payments ordered amounting to £531 : 14 : 11 Borough Fund, and £5 : 1 : 11 — Public Library Account.

Clearing of Sites Patrick St.

Report of Borough Surveyor read intimating that the Contractor had commenced clearing a site in Patrick Street for the building of Artisans Dwellings

Pumps & Fountains

Monthly report of Peter Lennon on the condition of Pumps and Fountains read. No order made.

Report of Sir Charles Cameron, upon his analyses of three samples of Water, read. The report was considered satisfactory.

National Insurance Bill approval of principle of

Pursuance to Notice of Motion, Councillor Callaghan moved:- "That this Council desires to express its approval of the principles of the National Insurance Bill, but considers that amendments will be necessary, before its application to Ireland can be regarded as satisfactory, and that the amendments be left in the hands of the Irish Parliamentary Party."

Councillor Mc Ardle seconded and the Motion was put and declared carried.

Technical Instruction Committee Abstract of Accts

Communication read from the Local Government Board enclosing an Audited Abstract of the Accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for the Year ending 31st March 1911. No order made.

School Attendance Committee

Communication read from the Commissioners of National Education

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Education setting out the names of the persons appointed by them, to form one half of the School Attendance Committee for a period of three years from the 1st July 1911. No order made

Motor Car Acts

Circular letter from the Local Government Board upon the subject of the Motor Car Acts 1896 & 1903 and Orders made thereunder, submitted. Ordered that the same be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

Taking up of duties by new Boro. Surveyor

Letter read from Mr. T. J. Delahunty, enquiring how soon after the 15th July the Council desire him to enter upon the duties of the office of Borough Surveyor. Ordered that Mr. Delahunty be informed it is the wish of the Council he should take up office as soon as possible.

L.G.B's approval of J.J. McQuillan, Rate collector ✓

Letter of the Local Government Board read approving the appointment of Mr. James J. McQuillan to the position of Rate Collector. No order made.

Resignation of T. L. McElderry on Public Library Comtee.

Letter read from Mr. T. L. McElderry resigning his position as a member of the Public Library Committee.

The resignation was accepted.

Condolence J. Curtis Boro Treasurer

A vote of Condolence was unanimously passed to the family of the late Mr. James Curtis Borough Treasurer.

Jno. J. Callan
2/6/11

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June 21st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 21st day of June 1911.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– A. Jordan, J. F. Hoey, L. J. Elcock,
Councillors:– J. A. B. Noonan, J. Clarke, T. Reid, T. V. McQuillan, R. Drew, J. Callaghan, J. Dolan, P. A. McIvor & J. Davis

Minutes
Wages

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Book examined and signed.

Town Clerk to temporarily discharge duties of Borough Treasurer ✓

Report of Estate, Law and Finance Committee read, intimating that they had appointed the Town Clerk to temporarily discharge the duties of the Borough Treasurer's Office and that they were carefully considering what recommendation should be made as to a new appointment.

Councillor Noonan proposed, Alderman Hoey seconding, that the report be rejected.

Alderman Elcock moved as an amendment which was seconded by Councillor Callaghan – that the report be adopted.

On a Division being taken only Councillor Noonan and Alderman Hoey were found to be opposed to the amendment which was accordingly declared carried.

Secty. Gas Works Dept. reports re Auditor's Report

The Report of the Secretary of the Gas Works Department in connection with the report of the Auditor upon the accounts of the Gas Works Department for the year ending 31st March 1910 was under consideration.

The Secretary having made an explanation the same was accepted as satisfactory.

Execution of Lease to Michael Kelly ✓

A Lease was this day executed unto Michael Kelly of plot of ground upon the East side of Duleek Street for a term of ninety nine years from the 25th March last at the Yearly rent of £ Covenants to expend £ in building and to insure in the sum of £

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The following letter was read:—

Peter Street, Drogheda, 20th June 1911.

Dear Mr. Connolly,

Letter of thanks from Mrs. Curtis for vote of Condolence

Please convey my sincere thanks to the members of the Corporation for their kind vote of condolence with me and the members of my family in our bereavement.

I am, Yours sincerely,
Alice Curtis.

Tenders for Coal for Gas Works.

Communication read from the Secretary Gas Works Department intimating that his Committee had accepted Tenders for supply of Coal from the Wigan Coal and Iron Co. and the Albion Coal and Cannel Co. for the year ending 30th June 1912, the prices averaging 6½ per ton under last Year's.

Maintenance of John's Gate Tower

Letter read from the Secretary to the Commissioners of Public Works suggesting that the County Council of Louth would undertake the maintenance of John's Gate Tower.

Alderman Elcock undertook to bring the matter before the County Council.

Daylight Saving Bill Approval of

Arising out of a letter from a Mr. Wm. Willet the Council expressed its approval of the principle of the Daylight Saving Bill.

Election of County Councillors L.G.B. Communication

Letter from the Local Government Board read, enclosing copy of a letter addressed to the County Council of Louth upon the subject of the recent election of Rosantyn County Councillors for the Borough of Drogheda.

No order made.

Telephone Employee's continuance employment

Upon the motion of Alderman Hoey seconded by Councillor McQuillen, a Resolution of the Amalgamated Society of Telephone Employés in reference to their continuance in employment by the Government, was adopted.

P. J. Callan
5/7/'11

1911.
July 5th

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 5th day of July 1911.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– J. J. Hoey, and L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, J. A. C. Noonan, J. A. Gannon, J. Dolan, T. Reid, J. Callaghan and J. Davis.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes Wages Payments

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Book examined and signed.

Payments ordered amounting to £376:0:4 Borough Fund and £6:10:6 Public Library Account.

Adjournment for Bellewstown Races

On the motion of Alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor Davis it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting until the 19th July instant on account of Bellewstown Races, the Town Clerk to enquire in the meantime why the Mayor's name had been omitted from the list of Stewards of this year's meeting.

P. J. Callan
19th July 1911

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July 19th

Minutes of an adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 19th day of July 1911.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– L. Jordan, J.F. Hoey,
Councillors:– J.A.C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J.A. Gannon, J. Dolan, W.T. Heffington, P.D. McIvor, T. Reid, D. Branigan, J. Callaghan, J. Davis and P. Drew.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes & Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Book examined and signed, and instructions given to the Borough Surveyor to present the wages on loose sheets in future and to better classify the expenditure

Cinematograph Licence

Mr. Thomas Harris, of 3 Duke Street, was granted a license under the Cinematograph act, in respect of a portable theatre to be used at Bettystown Co. Meath, subject to the requirements of the Borough Surveyor being complied with

Borough Surveyor L.G.B's approval

Communication from the Local Government Board read, approving of the appointment of Mr. T.J. Delahunty to the position of Borough Surveyor.

Pumps & Fountains

Monthly Report of Peter Lennon upon the condition of Pumps and Fountains read. No order made.

New Houses in Patrick St.

Report of Housing Committee read, intimating that they had directed the making of new cross foundations in the building of the new cottages in Patrick Street in order to avoid threatened litigation by Mr. Patrick McEvoy.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Heffington seconded by Councillor Drew.

Tenements for revision of Valuation

Lists of Tenements for Revision of Valuation were submitted and approved.

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Bellewstown Races Omission of Mayor's name

Letter read from George P. Bradwell, Secretary Bellewstown Races upon the subject of the omission of the Mayor's name from the list of Stewards of the Race Meeting of the present year.

The Town Clerk was directed to ask for further particulars.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Noonan moved, and Alderman Hoey seconded:–

"That inasmuch as they have forfeited the confidence of the Council and the Public the Estate, Law & Finance Committee be dissolved"

The motion was put and declared lost there being only the mover and seconder in favour of it.

Position of Borough Treasurer Special meeting re

The Suspension of the Standing Orders being unanimously agreed to Councillor Heffington thereupon moved – that a special meeting of the Council in Committee be held after the next meeting of the Council for the purpose of dealing with the situation created by the resignation of the late Mr. James Curtis, Borough Treasurer. Councillor McIvor seconded.

The motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Borough Surveyor to have sole control of Workmen

Councillor Davis proposed, ~~Councillor~~ Alderman Jordan seconding:–

"That the new Engineer have sole control of all the employees (workmen) of the Corporation, except the Gas Works Department; and that he can engage or dismiss any man as he thinks fit."

Motion put and carried.

J.J. Burke's services to be retained for one month

Councillor Davis proposed, Councillor Callaghan seconding:–

"That the services of Mr. J.J. Burke be retained for one month at his former salary in order that he may ~~introduce~~ accompany the new Engineer and introduce him to his work in general."

Motion put and carried.

Jno. J. Callan
2/8/11

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1911.
August 2nd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 2nd day of August 1911.

Present.

In the chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. F. Hoey, L. J. Elcock, T. McCullough, and P. Lyons.
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. McGrane, T. Reid, E. McArdle, J. A. Gannon, J. Davis, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, P. J. McIvor, D. Branigan & W. J. O'Keffington.

Minutes

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Wages

Wages Book examined and signed.

Payments

Payments ordered amounting to £566: 7: 2 Borough Fund and £20: 2: 6 Public Library account.

Outbreak of Fire

Report of Borough Surveyor upon an outbreak of fire upon the premises of the Drogheda Oatmeal Milling Co, read. No order made.

Bellewstown Race Omission of Mayor's name.

Letter read from George J. Gradwell, Secretary, Bellewstown Races, intimating, in reply to a letter of the Town Clerk of the 20th July, that his letter of the 11th July conveyed the views of his Stewards and that he had nothing to add to it.

Ordered that the Stewards be asked individually for the information requested in the Town Clerk's letter.

Town Tenants Conference Delegates

Councillors Lynch, McIvor, and Magrane were appointed Delegates to the Town Tenants Conference to be held in Dublin on the 23rd August instant.

Car Drivers' Licence

Wm Murphy, John Street, was granted a Car Driver's Licence.

Tenders for Hay

Four Tenders for Hay were submitted.
Alderman Lyons and Councillors Lynch and Branigan were deputed to decide upon same and also to purchase straw.

Vacancy in office of Borough Treasurer

The Council hereupon resolved itself into Committee to

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to deal with the vacancy in the Office of Borough Treasurer created by the resignation of the late Mr. James Curtis.

Boro' Treasurer at Salary of £100 a year

Councillor Lynch proposed and Councillor McGrane seconded:- that a Borough Treasurer be appointed at a Salary of £100 a year.

Bank of Ireland appointed Treasurer with Accountant under Town Clerk at £140 a year

Alderman Elcock thereupon moved as an amendment – that the Bank of Ireland be appointed Treasurer with a competent accountant under the Town Clerk at a Salary of £140 a year. Councillor McArdle seconded.

A Division was taken when there voted –

For the Amendment		Against the amendment	
Aldermen:-	Elcock	Aldermen:-	Hoey
	McCullough		Lyons
Councillors:-	Reid	Councillors:-	Noonan
	McArdle		Magrane
	Gannon		Lynch
	Clarke		Davis
	McIvor		Callaghan (7)
	Branigan		
	O'Keffington (9)		

The ~~Resolution~~ amendment was declared carried and then put as a Resolution and declared carried by the same voting.

Jno Callaghan
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August 16th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 16th day of August 1911.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman:- J. J. Hoey, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons.
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. A. Gannon, D. Reid, P. Drew, E. McArdle, P. Lynch, J. Dolan, J. Callaghan, J. Davis, P. D. McIvor, W. T. Heffington, D. Branigan, and L. Moore.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages.

The Minute of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Book examined and signed.

Report of Borough Surveyor upon the work performed since last meeting; repairs to road carts, street crossings; drainage of Kellys Lane; flooding of the Chord Road and the roadway to Cromwells Mount, read.

Ordered that the same be referred to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

Fire Brigade

A further report of the Borough Surveyor relating to the equipment and working of the Fire Brigade was read.

The various recommendations were approved of subject to the expenditure being passed by the Estate, Law, & Finance Committee.

Report of the Council in ~~Estate, Law and Finance~~ Committee, as follows, read:-

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

Report on position of Borough Treasurer

At a meeting held immediately after the last meeting of the Council, we considered the situation created by the resignation of the late Mr. James Curtis of the position of Borough Treasurer.

A proposal was made on the motion of Councillor Lynch

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Lynch, seconded by Councillor McGrane, - that a Borough Treasurer be appointed at a salary of £100 a year, to which an amendment was proposed by Alderman Elcock, and seconded by Councillor McArdle – "that the Bank of Ireland be appointed Treasurer with a competent accountant under the Town Clerk at a salary of £40 a year."

The amendment was put to the meeting when there voted:-
For the amendment:- Aldermen:- Elcock and McCullough
Councillors:- Reid, McArdle, Gannon, Clarke, McIvor, Branigan and Heffington (9)
Against the amendment:- Aldermen:- Lyons and Hoey.
Councillors:- Noonan, McGrane, Lynch, Davis and Callaghan. (7.)

The amendment was then put to the meeting as a resolution and carried by the same voting.

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Alderman Elcock proposed, Councillor McArdle seconding – that the report be and is hereby adopted.

Councillor Lynch proposed as an amendment which was seconded by Councillors Davis – that a Borough Treasurer be appointed at a salary of £100 a year.

The amendment was put when there voted:-
For – Aldermen:- Lyons, Hoey.
Councillors:- Noonan, Drew, Moore, Dolan, Lynch, Davis, Callaghan, Branigan. (10)
Against – Aldermen:- Elcock, McCullough.
Councillors:- Reid, McArdle, Gannon, Clarke, McIvor, Heffington. (8.)

Appointment of Borough Treasurer at £75 per year

Councillor McArdle thereupon moved – that a Borough Treasurer be appointed at a salary of £75 per annum who shall attend at his office during Bank hours and be at liberty to engage in other work outside those hours. Councillor Reid having seconded this amendment the same was put when there voted:-

Motion carried

For – Aldermen:- Hoey, Elcock, McCullough, Lyons.
Councillors:- Reid, McArdle, Gannon, Clarke, McIvor, Heffington, Branigan. (11.)
Against:- Councillors:- Noonan, Drew, Moore, Dolan, Lynch, Callaghan,

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Callaghan, Davis(7)

There being no further amendment proposed, Councillors Reid's proposal was then put as a substantive motion and agreed to as being carried by the same voting as took place upon it as an amendment.

A Report of the Gas Works Committee was not considered pending further particulars being supplied.

Sanitary Officers Salaries

Communication from the Local Government Board read, transmitting a Paying Order for £5:5:0 as a proportion of Salaries of Sanitary Officers. No order made.

Payment of Wages by Contractor for Artizans Dwellings

A Communication from Robert Mugent regarding the payment of wages by the contractor for artizans dwellings was read and referred to the Housing Committee.

Sloblands Conveyance

The Town Clerk read a letter from the Board of Trade relating to the joint application of the Corporation and the Harbour Board for a Conveyance of the Sloblands, and a copy of his reply thereto. The reply was approved.

A letter was read from Mr. J.A. May withdrawing his complaint against Joseph Byrne Carman.

Speed of motor cars

The Mayor and the Town Clerk were deputed to interview the District Inspector regarding the speed of motor cars driven through the town.

Resignation of Miss Fox Caretaker Mayoralty House

Letter read from Kate Fox resigning her position as Caretaker of the Mayoralty House.

Ordered that the matter be reported to the Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

Jno J Callan
Sep. 6th 1911

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September 6th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 6th day of September 1911.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J.J. Hoey, L.J. Leech, and J.J. Maginn.
Councillors:- J. McGrane, T. Reid, J.A. Gannon, E. McArdle, J. Dolan, P. Drew, J. Clarke, J.A.C. Noonan, P. Lynch, T.V. McQuillan, J. Callaghan, J. Davis, P.D. McIvor, L. Branigan, and W.J. Heffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Payments

Wages Book examined and signed.

Payments ordered amounting to £2712:1:4, Borough Fund; £708:19:8 Artizans Dwellings Loan account, and £4:4:0 Public Library account.

Opening of "Artizans Dwellings Loan A/c"

The Town Clerk was, upon the motion of Councillor Lynch seconded by Councillor McQuillan, authorized to open a new account with the Bank of Ireland to be called "Artizans Dwellings Loan A/c" and to lodge to the credit of such account the instalments received from the Commissioners of Public Works, and to debit such account with the proper expenditure incurred in the Schemes for the erection of Artizans Dwellings.

Report of Gas Works Committee read, intimating that tenders had been accepted by them:

Tenders for Coal

(1.) For freight on coal at 3/2½ + ¾d per ton, for shipments from Garston and Partington respectively - J. Fisher & Sons, Newry, Contractors.
(2.) For surplus tar to 31st July 1912, 18/- per ton. D. Anderson & Sons, Belfast, Contrs.
(3.) For coal, at 10/9 + 10/11 per ton, f.o.b. Garston and Partington, Contractors Wigan Coal and Iron Co., and Albion Coal Co., respectively.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Noonan, seconded by Councillor Reid.

The following reports of the Estate, Law and Finance Committee and the Local Government Auditor were read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Dolan seconded by Councillor Branigan

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Building Lease to Geo Cooney.
Erection of 3 houses by Boyne Spinning & Weaving Co.
Purchase of Typewriter.
Depositing of refuse upon streets

Tenders

Concreting.
Time Keeper, Pay Clerk & making up of Time Sheets
Boro' Surveyor's Fidelity Bond
Reduction of £1 per year in Miss Finglas' rent
Sale of site to Arch. Segrave Scarlet St.
Caretaker Mayoralty Ho.

TO THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DROGHEDA.

GENTLEMEN,

We have agreed with Mr. George Cooney, Beamore Road, for the granting of a building lease to him for 99 years at a rent of £2 per annum of premises in his occupation upon the east side of the Beamore Road. Mr. Cooney to expend not less than £200 upon the erection of a new dwelling-house.

We have given the Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd., permission to erect three better class houses, instead of four, as originally intended, upon a vacant site on the Marsh Road, on the understanding that a greater amount than that specified in the covenant to build contained in their lease—£500—will be expended.

The Typewriter in use in his office having become worn out, we have authorized the Town Clerk to purchase a new machine.

We have empowered the Borough Surveyor to bring prosecutions at his discretion against any person or persons found depositing refuse upon streets.

We have thought it well to take advantage of the powers conferred by the Health Resorts and Watering Places Act to place an advertisement of the Tourist attractions of the district in the Guide Books issued by the Larne and Stranraer Steamship Joint Committee at a cost of £5.

The tenders received for the various annual contracts were, by our directions, handed to the Borough Surveyor to examine them, and Mr. Delahunty has reported that he considers it desirable to invite fresh tenders covering a period of 18 months to the 31st March, 1913. We approved of his suggestion, and directed Mr. Delahunty to prepare new tender forms, etc., and to take the necessary steps for the obtaining of fresh tenders.

Where applications are received in future for the concreting of footpaths of a greater width than 8 feet, we recommend that the cost of the concreting of the additional width beyond 8 feet should be borne by the applicant.

Upon the taking up of his duties by Mr. Delahunty, we issued instructions that the Foreman for the time being should be responsible for the time of the workmen, the Borough Surveyor to prepare the Wages from the Time Sheets thus supplied, and the Sanitary Sub-Officer to pay the Wages. The system previously was that the Borough Surveyor was responsible for the time, the preparation of the Wages Book, and the payment of the men. Such a system ought obviously to be discontinued.

As but very trifling sums of money pass through his hands, and as none of his predecessors were required to give any security, we think it unnecessary and unreasonable to ask the present Borough Surveyor to provide security for £500. We think security for £100 would be quite sufficient, and we accordingly suggest that a Bond for this amount should be provided by Mr. Delahunty.

We have agreed with Miss Mary Finglas, Francis Street, by a reduction of £1 per annum in her rent, to take over from her, for the building thereon of Artisans' Dwellings, a plot of ground in Scarlet Street, which was included in a lease granted by the Corporation some years ago to a Miss Catherine Lyons.

Archdeacon Segrave being anxious to build a School Teacher's residence in Scarlet Street, we have arranged, subject to your approval, for an absolute sale to him, for a sum of £50, of a vacant site upon the north side of Scarlet Street.

As the vacancy in the position of Caretaker of the Mayoralty House, created by the resignation of Miss Kate Fox, requires to be filled immediately, and as the members of the Council seemed at last meeting to be agreed that the new appointment should be made upon the terms of the previous one, we instructed the Town Clerk to issue an advertisement for applications to be considered at your next meeting.

Dated 21st August, 1911.

JOHN J. CALLAN,
Chairman.

Auditor's Report
Year ending March 1911

No. 42 850/1911.
Drogheda Urban District.

DUBLIN, August 12th, 1911.

SIR,

I beg to report that I have audited the accounts of the Corporation of Drogheda for the year ended March 31st. 1911.

The rate struck for the period under review was the same as that for the previous year, namely, a consolidated Poor Rate and Town Rate of Four Shillings in the £, and a Sanitary Rate of One Shilling and Sixpence in the £.

The rate collection was of a satisfactory character, the full amount of the warrant having been lodged, and the sum taken forward as arrears showing a reduction as compared with the previous year.

There is a slight improvement in the condition of the Borough Fund, inasmuch as the expenditure was within the limits of income. The two principal items of expenditure, paving and repair of streets, and scavenging and watering of streets, show reductions of £360 and £260, respectively, upon the corresponding outlay of the previous financial period.

There is a debit balance of £143 7s. 7d. against the Gas Fund, which is caused by the litigation that took place during the year between the Gas Works Committee and a contractor who made a claim for £212 10s. 6d., balance alleged to be due on foot of a contract and for extras. The entire contract was for £1,380, and the Gas Committee claimed certain deductions from the original amount on the ground of alleged loss caused by the contractor's alleged delay in the execution of the works. Eventually the matters in dispute were referred to arbitration, and the result was that the Arbitrators found in favour of the contractor for a sum of £197 5s. 4d. and costs. The latter item, including the Gas Committee's own law costs—a sum of £75 6s. 10d.—amounted to £302 7s. 6d.

During the year under audit the Corporation, with the approval of the Local Government Board, re-borrowed a sum of £9,253 16s. 11d. for the purpose of paying off a mortgage of a like amount which had been raised in 1880 in order to consolidate the then outstanding loans. No provision having been made for repayment, it was necessary to re-borrow the present loan, which was obtained from the Bank of Ireland at 4 per cent., and is repayable in twenty years.

The collection of the rents of the Artizans' dwellings is satisfactory, and taking the year 1910 as a standard of comparison, the collection indicates an improvement.

It is desirable that the settlement for manure sales, which takes place within the period of audit, should be made before the close of the financial year, and the Corporation should make arrangements to this end in future.

No proper stock or store books have hitherto been kept, but I understand that since the appointment of the new Town Surveyor it has been decided to comply in future with the terms of Article 60 of the Public Bodies Order.

I have made two surcharges of £5 and £5 10s. 0d. against certain members of the Corporation for authorising illegal payments to these amounts. The expenditure in question was disallowed because it was not made according to the provisions of the Borough Funds (Ireland) Act, 1888.

The Borough Treasurer retired from office at the close of the financial year, and the accounts were closed and the books presented for audit by the Town Clerk, Mr. J. B. Connolly, who discharged the extra duties laid upon him in a very efficient and satisfactory manner.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

MAURICE COSGRAVE,
Auditor.

THE SECRETARY,
LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD,
DUBLIN.

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Councillor Dolan moved pursuant to notice of Motion — "That Mr. Burke's services be retained in the Borough Surveyor's Office at a salary of 30/- per week, under the supervision of the Borough Surveyor as Inspector of Roads and Time Keeper for 12 months."

After an informal discussion had taken place, Councillor Drew proposed, Councillor M'Ardle seconding — 'that the consideration of the matter be deferred to another meeting.' This course was unanimously agreed to.

Applications for Caretaker Mayoralty House

Four applications for the position of Caretaker of the Mayoralty House were submitted, the applicants being: Patrick Reilly, Windmill Lane, Patrick Carolan, Drogheda, Patrick M'Donough, Bredin Street, and Joseph Brady, North Road.

Patrick Reilly elected.

All the names were put to the meeting when Reilly received 11 votes, Brady 6, Carolan 1, & M'Donough none. Reilly was thereupon proposed by Councillor Noonan, seconded by Alderman Hoey and was declared elected.

Old Age Pensions Committee

The Council next proceeded to appoint an Old Age Pensions Committee for a period of three years.

Upon the motion of Councillor M'Ardle seconded by Councillor O'Fiullen the existing Committee was re-appointed, the members being: Aldermen:- M'Cullough, Maginn, Jordan

Councillors:- Moore, Dolan, Cannon, Callan, M'Ivor, Lynch, Callaghan, Drew, O'Heffington

Rt. Rev. Mgr. P. Segrave, Vy. Rev. J. Curry, Rev Canon L.D.I. Tedoir, Rev. T. A. Brunskill, Messrs:- C. M'Kenny, W.B. Hill, — — J. Reilly and W. Cannon.

Bellewstown Races Omission of Mayor's name

Replies from Stewards of Bellewstown Races to the enquiries of the Town Clerk respecting the omission of the Mayor's name from the list of Stewards, were read. The matter was referred to the Mayor & Town Clerk.

It was unaniniously agreed to adjourn the question of the consideration of the salary and duties of the Borough Treasurership.

Jno J Callan
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1911.
September
20th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 20th day of September 1911.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock.

Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. McGrane, T. V. McQuillan, J. Dolan, J. Callaghan, T. Reid, P. J. McIvor, and W. J. Keffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Book examined and signed.

Condolence

On the motion of Councillor Noonan, seconded by Councillor McGrane a Vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with the Alderman Stoey upon the death of his child.

Endless Pan Conveyor for Gas Works

A Report of the Gas Works Committee suggesting the erection of an endless Pan Conveyor, was read.

No consideration of the matter was adjourned to next meeting for further particulars to be supplied.

Report of Housing Committee read, intimating that they were satisfied that the Contractor for the Artizans Dwellings was not violating his contract in the payment of wages, recommending that Water closets be erected for the

Water Closets for new Houses, Scarlet St.

new Cottages in Scarlet street, and recommending the adoption of an amended plan for Artizans Dwellings.

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Elcock seconded by Councillor Callaghan.

Councillor Dolan by permission withdrew a Notice of Motion regarding Mr. J. J. Burke.

Standing Orders Amending of re "General Questions"

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Callaghan moved, and Councillor Reid seconded.-

That the Standing Orders be and are hereby amended to the extent that as regards the order of business "general questions"

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questions" shall be taken at the termination of all other business of the Council instead of after "finance" as at present arranged.

The motion was carried by seven votes to three.

Alderman Stoey was added to the Housing Committee upon the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by Alderman Elcock.

Position of Boro' Treasurer

Alderman Elcock proposed - that the position of Borough Treasurer be advertised upon the terms agreed on.

Councillor M'Ivor seconded.

Councillor Callaghan proposed and Councillor Noonan seconded - that the position be not advertised.

Upon a division there voted -

For the Amendment: Councillors:- Noonan, Dolan, McGrane, Clarke, Callaghan and Reid. (6.)

Against: Alderman Elcock. Councillors:- McQuillan, M'Ivor, Keffington. (4)

The amendment was declared carried.

Execution of Leases:

The following Leases were executed:-

Joseph Dwyer

Unto Joseph Dwyer of premises upon the South side of the Bush Ring, for a term of thirty one years from the 25th March 1910, at the yearly rent of £30. Covenant to insure in the sum of £1000.

Patk. Phillips

Unto Patrick Phillips of premises upon the East side of the North Road, for a term of seventy five years from the 29th Septr. 1911 at the yearly rent of £5:10:0. Covenants to expend £350 on buildings and to insure for £600.

Parnell Monument Unveiling Demonstration

Corpn. attend in State

The Council decided, unanimously, to attend in State at Parnell Monument Unveiling Demonstration in Dublin on the 1st October 1911.

Letter from the Local Government Board read, enclosing copy of a communication addressed to the Rate Collector relating to the collection of rates in certain cases. No order made.

Letter read from James J. Curtis with reference to the discharge of his duties by the late Borough Treasurer. No order made.

Jas. J. Callan
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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 4th day of October 1911.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- L. Jordan, J.F. Hoey, L.J. Elcock, T. McCullough.

Councillors:- J. Clarke, J.A.C. Noonan, J. McGrane, J. Davis, E. McArdle, J.A. Gannon, T.V. McQuillan, P.D. McEvoy, P. Callan, W.T. Heffington, and J. Callaghan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Book examined and signed.

Payments

Payments ordered amounting to £1111:7:7 Borough Fund and £8:12:11 Public Library account.

Reduction of wage of Waterworks Plumber

Report read from Water Works Committee intimating that as the Borough Surveyor had taken over control of the Water Works and the Killineer quarry they had fixed the wages of the Waterworks Plumber, Peter Lennon, at 40/- per week; and expressing the opinion that any further extension of the Water main in Platten Road was not warranted by the existing circumstances.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Heffington, seconded by Alderman Elcock, Councillor Gannon dissenting.

Gas - Conveyor at Gas Works

Reports of Gas Committee upon the subject of the erection of an endless gas-conveyor, read.

It was unanimously agreed to adjourn the consideration of the same until the matter has been more fully considered by the Gas Works Committee.

Position of Borough Treasurer

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Callaghan moved:-

"That the resolution of the 16th August 1911 fixing the salary of the Borough Treasurer at £75 be rescinded, and that the Council appoint a Borough Treasurer at a salary of £100

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£100 a year, the person elected to devote his entire time to the duties of the office. The Town Clerk to submit the terms of the advertisement to the next meeting of the Council."

Councillor Davis seconded, whereupon Councillor McArdle proposed as an amendment which was seconded by Councillor McQuillan -

"That the Bank of Ireland be appointed Treasurer with a competent accountant under the Town Clerk at a salary of £140.

A division was taken when there voted -

For the amendment: Aldermen:- Jordan, Elcock, McCullough.

Councillors:- McArdle, McQuilan, Clarke, Heffington, McEvoy, (8)

Bank of Ireland to act as Treasurer with Accountant under Town Clerk

Against the Amendment: Alderman:- Hoey.

Councillors:- Noonan, McGrane, Gannon, Callaghan, Callan & Davis. (7)

The amendment was accordingly declared carried, and the Town Clerk was directed to insert an advertisement in terms of the same.

Councillor Noonan withdrew a Notice of Motion relating to an amendment of the Standing Orders.

Letter of thanks for vote of Condolence

Letter read from Alderman Hoey thanking the Council for their Vote of Condolence to him on the death of his child.

Chas. E. McCann Application for Pension

Application from Charles E. McCann, late Rate Collector, for a Pension, read.

The same was referred to the Estate, Law & Finance Committee.

Public Park at Rampart

Letter from George De Selle Dall read, explaining his views upon the ~~application~~ suggestion of the Council that he should place at their disposal for conversion into a Public Park, situate at the entrance to the Rampart. No order made.

Letter read from James J. Curtis in relation to the discharge of his duties by the late Borough Treasurer. No order made.

Jno. J. Callan.
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October 18th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 18th day of October 1911.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, T. McCullough, E.J. Elcock, P. Lyons, J.J. Hoey.
Councillors:- P. Drew, J. Clarke, T. Reid, T.V. McQuillan, J. McGrane, E. McArdle, J. Dolan, J. Davis, P.D. McIvor, J. Callaghan, P. Tallan, P. Lynch, J.A.C. Noonan and W.J. Keffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

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The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Councillor Keffington thereupon moved, which was seconded by Councillor Dolan:-

Condolence
L. Moore

"That this Council do now adjourn without transacting any business as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Councillor Laurence Moore, and that a Vote of Condolence be and is hereby passed with Mrs. Moore and the Rev. P.J. Moore P.P. in their bereavement".

Motion put and carried.

Simon Jordan
15/11/11

1911.
November 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 15th day of Nov. 1911.

Present:

In the Chair - Alderman S. Jordan.
Aldermen:- J.J. Hoey, E.J. Elcock, T. McCullough, P. Lyons and J.J. Maginn.
Councillors:- J.A.C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. McGrane, E. McArdle, T.V. McQuillan, P.D. McIvor, J. Dolan, P. Lynch, J. Callaghan, J. Davis, P. Tallan, T. Reid, J.A. Gannon, W.J. Keffington, and D. Branigan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Book examined and signed.

Payments

Payments ordered amounting to £710:0:1 Borough Fund and £4:4:0 Public Library Account.

Application for position of Accountant

Two applications for the position of Accountant were read.

Alderman Elcock proposed and Councillor McQuillan seconded - that Mr. Joseph Carr be appointed.

Councillor Noonan proposed as an amendment which was seconded by Alderman Hoey - that the consideration of the application be deferred.

Consideration of application deferred

A division was taken when there voted:
For the amendment - Aldermen:- Lyons and Hoey.
Councillors:- Noonan, Magrane, Dolan, Gannon, Tallan, Lynch, Davis, Callaghan, Reid, Branigan (12)
Against the amendment:- Aldermen:- McCullough and Elcock.
Councillors:- McQuillan, McArdle, McIvor, Clarke, Keffington (7)

The amendment was declared carried.

Delay by Contractor in completion of Cottages

Report of Borough Surveyor in relation to the delay by the Contractor in the completion of the Cottages in Patrick Street and in Scarlet Street, read. also Communication from the contractor upon the subject.

Ordered

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Sale of Sulphate of Ammonia

Ordered that the same be referred to the Housing Committee.

Report from Gas Works Committee in relation to sale of sulphate of ammonia and purchase of sulphuric acid, read.

Ordered that the Committee be requested to supply — particulars of such contracts.

re J. J. Burke's position in Boro' Surveyor's Office

A Notice of Motion of Councillor Dolan relating to the position of Mr. J. J. Burke was by consent referred to the State, Law and Finance Committee.

A Notice of Motion of Councillor Callaghan dealing with the position of Borough Treasurer having been ruled out of order the meeting terminated.

Peter Lynch
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 6th day of December 1911.

Present:

In the Chair — Councillor P. Lynch.
Aldermen:— J. D. Hoey, L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons and J. Maginn.
Councillors:— J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, P. Drew, T. V. McQuillan, J. McGrane, E. McArdle, J. Derriel, J. Davis, J. Callaghan, J. Reid, P. D. McIvor, J. Dolan, W. J. Heffington, D. Branigan, P. Fallan. (20)

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The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages sheet examined and signed.
Payments ordered — £2075:11:5 Borough Fund, £9:12:9 Public Library, £600,—Artizans Dwellings Loan ap (Instalment of £1000 to be applied for)

Contribution of £50 to Distress Committee

application of Distress Committee for Contribution of £50, acceded to.

The following Report was taken as read and was adopted on the motion of Councillor Davis, seconded by Alderman Elcock:—

Cinema Licences for Whitworth Hall
Position of J. J. Burke.
Fair Rent on Jane M. Murphy. Appeal
Solicitors Costs.
Tenders for Oil Suit
Tenders for Straw
Purchase of Horse
Ashbins
Cost of lighting of Public Library
Lease to Thos. McCann, Dyer St
Cottages Green Lanes
Erection of Shed Francis St.
Patk Cummins & Jas Mathews' Holdings — Rents fixed
Fixing of Rent property
Church Lane

Report of Estate, Law and Finance Committee.

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

GENTLEMEN,

We have authorized the granting of a Cinematograph License to Mr. Thomas Barnes for the Whitworth Hall.

We have considered the question raised by the Notice of Motion of Councillor Dolan in regard to the position of Mr. J. J. Burke. We are unaware of any position to which we could recommend the Council to appoint Mr. Burke.

Upon the advice of the Solicitor to the Corporation an Appeal has been lodged against the fixing of a Fair Rent upon a holding of Jane M. Murphy at Manimore.

We recommend that the Seal of the Corporation be affixed to requisitions to tax the costs of Mr. J. H. M'Cann, Solicitor, and that Mr. F. G. M'Keever, Solicitor, do appear on the taxation on behalf of the Corporation.

We recommend for your approval the Rate Collector's lists of Arrears and Lost Rates for the half-year ending 30th September, amounting to £298 8s 4d and £91 2s 2d respectively.

We have invited Tenders for the supplying of 40 Oil Suits of Irish Manufacture for the Workmen, and have selected the Tender of a local firm, Messrs T. Brady & Son, subject to satisfactory proof being forthcoming by the Manufacturer that the goods proposed to be supplied as Irish made are Irish made.

We have invited Tenders for the usual supply of straw and appointed a sub-committee to examine samples. The Tenders of Mr. James M'Carthy, Newfoundwell, and Mr. Nicholas Norris, Ballymakenny, for wheaten straw at 2/5 per cwt., and of Mr. William Fanning, of Colpe, for oaten straw at 2/4 per cwt were selected.

The Borough Surveyor having reported a break down of an old sewer in James' Street we directed him to have the sewer re-constructed.

An additional horse being urgently needed we invited proposals for same, and a Selection Committee consisting of Messrs Jordan, Lyons, Lynch and Branigan, purchased a mare from Mr. Patrick Kirk of Hemlinstown, for £34.

Upon his suggestion we authorized the Borough Surveyor to procure a number of Ashbins for sale to the public, and instructed Mr. Delahunty to arrange for the supplying of them through a local trader if possible.

The excessive cost of the lighting of the Public Library having been brought under our notice we made representations to the Public Library Committee upon the matter, with the result that new fittings have now been put in and charged to the Public Library Funds, which it is hoped will result in a very considerable saving.

Mr. Thomas M'Cann, of Dyer street, has made a proposal for a lease of premises in Dyer street lately in the occupation of Miss Mooney. We recommend that he be granted a lease for 31 years at the yearly rent of £8, £150 to be expended by him upon repairs; an application to be made by the Corporation, at Mr. M'Cann's expense, to the January Quarter Sessions for a renewal of the license which formerly attached to the premises.

Our attention having been drawn to the condition of the Corporation cottages in Green Lanes, we inspected some of the cottages and found them in a very bad state, and urgently in need of repair. We thereupon directed the Borough Surveyor to put each cottage into a thorough state of repair, and we recommend that the rents be increased to 1/6 per week each to recoup the Corporation for the present outlay.

Having again considered the matter, we recommend that a shed be erected for Matthew and Edward Murphy at the rere of their dwellings in Francis street, these men having agreed to pay an extra rent of four-pence per week each. It is doubtful whether the shed can be erected this winter, as the repairs to the Green Lane cottages, the purchase of a horse, and the construction of the James' street sewer, will make it very difficult to tide over the present financial year.

We have fixed rents at £4 10s. 0d. and £1 10s. 0d upon holdings at Newfoundwell of Patrick Cummins and James Matthews, respectively, the lease of which expired at the 25th March last.

Under the same lease a portion of the Christian Brothers' garden, and a dwellinghouse in Church Lane in the occupation of Mr. S. A. Woods came into possession. Upon these we fixed rents of 10s. and £25 0s. 0d. respectively.

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Rent of for J. Carberys holding Legavooren

Mrs. K. Branigan's application for Lease of Cottages, Chord Rd.

Another lease expired at the 25th March last of an agricultural holding at Legavooren, and cottages on the Chord Road, the former tenant being a Mr. William J. Carbery. Mr. Carbery intimated that he did not ask or make any claim for a renewal of the lease of the cottages, and suggested that the rent upon the agricultural holding should be fixed by consent by the Land Commission. This has since been done, the rent being fixed at £23 4s. 0d., and the rents of the cottages have been collected weekly by your Rent Collector.

Mrs. Kate Branigan, of Laurence Gate, has made an application for a lease of the Cottages (her application is attached). She has not been at any time tenant to the Corporation, and we therefore were unable to entertain her application. Any negotiations which her husband had could only have been for the unexpired term of the lease, and her statement that the plot contained but three thatched cabins when Captain Branigan purchased in 1871, is contradictory with her first application; neither is it borne out by our enquiries, and the Ordance Survey made in 1870 shows that the slated cottages, as well as the thatched cottages, were in existence at that time. As regards her further statement that when the Corporation took over possession the cottages were in good repair and had the best sanitary arrangements, suitable for this class of property, existing thereon, the Borough Surveyor reports that new drainage and w.c.'s are necessary, and he estimates an expenditure of £25 per house is necessary to cover this and other repairs to the slated cottages, and £40 upon the thatched cottages. Mrs. Branigan and her husband have been in receipt of the rents of the nine cottages for the past 40 years, free of any head rent. The policy of the Corporation being against the creation of middlemen, we cannot recommend that Mrs. Branigan's application be considered, except as regards the space occupied by the three thatched cabins, which we recommend should be pulled down and Mrs. Branigan given a preference in taking a building lease of the site occupied by them.

Mrs Branigan's House, Shop St.

Rate Collector's pension

The holding in the occupation of Mr. William Branigan in Shop Street came into possession under a lease which also expired at the 25th March last. By reason of their dangerous condition, we have had no option but to direct the Borough Surveyor to take steps for the taking down of the premises.

We have consulted Mr. F. G. M'Keever, Solicitor, upon the position of the Corporation in relation to the application of Mr. Charles E. M'Cann, late Rate Collector, for a retiring allowance. We attach Mr. M'Keever's opinion.

Dated 4th December, 1911.

JOHN J. CALLAN, Chairman.

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Laurence Gate,
Drogheda,

25th September, 1911.

To the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Drogheda.

GENTLEMEN,

On the 27th January, 1871, my husband, the late Captain Laurence Branigan, purchased for the sum of £230 all that Plot of Ground, with the Three Thatched Cottages thereon, situate at the Chord Road, and which contained about Two Roods and Ten Perches, Irish Plantation Measure, or thereabouts.

Prior to my husband's death, which occurred on the 21st day of October, 1894, he built on the holding Six Slated Houses adjoining the said Thatched Cottages at a cost of over £900.

From time to time during my said husband's tenure considerable sums of money were expended by him upon the property for the purpose of repairs and sanitary arrangements, and during my own tenure I have similary spent over £150 thereon, the last expenditure being in August, 1910, when I erected ashpits, concreted and drained same.

At the time your Council acquired possession from me of the said Premises same were in good repair, and had the best sanitary arrangements suitable for this class of property existing thereon.

The property having been so long in the possession of my family I am anxious to obtain a Building Lease thereof, or am prepared, if your Council would be disposed to Sell the Fee Simple thereof, to make an offer for the purchase of same. Should the Council, however, decide to grant a Lease I am ready and willing to remove the existing Thatched Cottages, and in lieu thereof to erect 2 Two-storied Artizans' Dwellings, with the most up-to-date sanitary arrangements therein.

Having regard to the foregoing facts I respectfully submit that my offer is entitled to the favourable consideration of your Council, and I shall be pleased to have your decision thereon at your earliest convenience. In conclusion, I should mention that the outlays of my late husband and myself upon the purchase of and buildings erected on said property were not recouped on the expiration of the Lease, not to mention interest.

I am, Gentlemen,

Yours obediently,

KATE BRANIGAN.

Letter from mrs Kate Branigan re House Chord Road

35 Laurence Street,
Drogheda,

24th November, 1911.

J. B. CONNOLLY, Esq.,
Town Clerk, Drogheda.

Re **Application for Superannuation by Mr. C. E. McCANN.**

DEAR SIR,

Referring to the application of above to your Council for a Superannuation Allowance, and your Council's request for advice as to their legal position in the matter, I have looked carefully into the matter, and am of opinion that not having devoted his entire time to the service of the Council, the Council could not under any of the Superannuation Acts consider his application, but being an Existing Officer (within the meaning of the Local Government Act, 1898), the Council may, if they think fit, grant a Superannuation Allowance under Sec. 10 of the Local Government Act, 1902.

The only Section providing for compulsory Superannuation is Sec. 118 of the Local Government Act, 1898, but Mr. McCann is not qualified under this Section, not having devoted his entire time to the service of the Council, or their predecessors in office.

I am accordingly of opinion that the Drogheda Corporation, while having a discretion (subject to the approval of the Local Government Board) to grant an Allowance if they think fit, are in no way bound to do so.

I herewith return you file of correspondence which you left with me.

Faithfully yours,

F. G. McKEEVER.

C.E. McCann's Superannuation F.G. McKeever's Opinion re

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Callaghan moved, Councillor Mc Grane seconding:-

"That the resolution passed on 16th August 1911, to appoint a Treasurer at a salary of £75 per annum be rescinded, and that what purports to be a resolution passed on the 4th October 1911

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Borough Treasurer's position

1911, to appoint the Bank of Ireland as Treasurer with an accountant at £40 a year be rescinded and expunged from the Reconciled Minutes of the Council's proceedings as being irregular, null and void. That the Council do appoint a fit and proper person to be Borough Treasurer at a salary of £100 a year, and that the person appointed be a whole time officer and give the usual Bond."

Alderman Elcock proposed as an amendment – "that a Borough Treasurer be appointed at a salary of £75 a year."

On a division there voted –

For the amendment:- Alderman Elcock.

Councillors:- M'Quillan, M'Ardle, Clarke, M'Evoy, and Keffington. (6)

Against the amendment – Aldermen:- Maginn, Lyons, Hoey.

Councillors:- Noonan, Drew, Berrill, M'Grane, Davis, Dolan, Tallan, Callaghan, Reid, Branigan and Lynch (14)

The amendment was declared lost. The motion was then put and declared carried, Alderman Elcock dissenting. An opinion of the Solicitor to the Corporation dealing with the matter was read.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to report upon matters in a Notice of Motion of Alderman Hoey.

In room of the late Councillor Moore, Councillor Berrill was appointed a member of the Waterworks and Bye-laws and Markets Committee, Councillor Branigan a member of the School attendance Committee, Councillor M'Evoy the Gas Work Committee, & Councillor Tallan the old age Pensions Committee and

The following letter was read:-

Shamrock House, Drogheda, Nov. 7th 1911.

Dear Mr. Connolly,

Will you kindly convey to the members of the Corporation my sincere thanks for their kind vote of sympathy with me and my family on the death of my dear husband, Mr. Laurence Moore, which was passed on Wednesday 18th ultimo; also for adjournment of the meeting.

The generous tribute paid to my late husbands memory by Councillor Keffington in moving the resolution and which was endorsed by

Letter of thanks from Mrs. Moore for vote of Condolence

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by Mr. Dolan and the other members of the Council shall be ever gratefully remembered by me. The knowledge that after the long period of over 50 years as member of the Council he was held in such esteem by his colleagues tends in no small way to soften the grief his loss has caused me.

And, Mr Connolly, please accept my grateful thanks for the kind ~~way~~ and sympathetic way in which you sent me the Council's condolence and your reference to the record held by him in his attendance at the meetings.

Sincerely Yours
Judith Moore.

Remitting of Surcharges

Letter read from the Local Government Board enclosing Orders made remitting surcharges of the Auditor at last audit.

Technical School Scholarship & apprenticeship in Gas Works

Letter read from the Technical Instruction Committee suggesting that the Corporation should offer as a Scholarship to students of the Technical School an apprenticeship in the Gas Works, and pointing out that the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction were prepared to offer substantial scholarships in connection therewith as well.

It was unanimously agreed to act upon the suggestion and instructions were given that the matter be brought before the Gas Works Committee to give effect to the recommendation.

Overhead Telegraph Wires

Communications from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraps, requesting the consent of the Corporation to the erection and maintenance of lines of overhead telegraph in the Borough, read.

It was agreed to consent subject to the approval of the Borough Surveyor.

Boyne Navigation

Communication from the Town Clerk Navan read, transmitting copy of a resolution passed by his Council on the subject of an unexpended balance of a grant voted in 1894 for the improvement of the Boyne Navigation

The Town Clerk having reported that he had written to Mr. Joseph

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Joseph Nolan M.P. on the subject but had not received any definite reply, he was directed to suggest that the Town Clerk of Navan should write to Mr. Nolan.

Fair Wages Clause in Contracts

Circular Letter of the Local Government Board on the subject of Fair Wages Clauses in Contracts read.

Ordered that the clauses referred to be as far as possible inserted in future contracts of the Corporation.

Execution of Memorials for 99 years Lease to George Cooney & Sale to Arch. Segrave

The seal of the Corporation was ordered to be affixed to two memorials to the Local Government Board praying for their sanction to the granting of a lease to George Cooney Beamore Road and to a sale to the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Segrave of a plot of ground in Scarlet Street.

Peter Lynch

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 20th day of December, 1911.

Present:

In the Chair— Councillor P. Lynch.
Aldermen— J. F. Hoey.
Councillors— J. A. B. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. McGrane, T. Reid, P. D. McIvor & J. Callaghan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages sheet examined and signed.

The following Report of the ~~Housing~~ Council's committee was read and adopted, on the motion of Councillor Callaghan, seconded by Councillor McGrane:-

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

Housing Scheme Erection of 20 Houses Patrick St. and Scarlet St.

We have considered the report of the Housing Committee and the reports of the Borough Surveyor upon the delay in the completion of the Cottages in Patrick Street and Scarlet Street and on certain materials sought to be used and work done. Having heard the Contractor's explanation we recommend that 20 Cottages be built under the present Contract if the Borough Surveyor approves.

Dated 13th December 1911.

Peter Lynch, Chairman.

Councillor P. D. McIvor was appointed a Member of the Distress Committee in room of Mr. P. C. Keeley, resigned.

Notice of Audit

Communication from the Local Government Board read intimating that Mr. E. P. McCarron would audit the Accounts of the Council as from the 1st January 1912 in lieu of Mr. W. Musgrave.

List of Arrears & Lost Rates Approval of

Further communication from the Local Government Board read, returning lists of Arrears and Irrecoverable Rates with the sanction of the Board endorsed thereon.

Rate Collector's Sureties

The Rate Collector, Mr James J. McQuillan, submitted the

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names of Mr. William F. McQuillan, Fair Street, and Mr. William Drew, Waterunder, as his sureties.

The same were approved.

Exchange of Land Killincer
Execution of Agreement

An Agreement with Mr. William Curran of Rockall for an exchange of Land in connection with the construction of a Concrete Tank to hold filtered water was this day executed.

Officers' Clothing

Upon their applications it was agreed to provide the Mace Bearer with an Overcoat and suit of clothes, and the Gas Inspector and Watchman Kenny with Overcoats.

P. Lynch
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January 3rd

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 3rd day of January, 1912.

Present:

In the Chair – Councillor P. Lynch.
Aldermen – S. Jordan, L.J. Elcock, P. Lyons, J.J. Hoey & J.J. Maginn
Councillors – J. Clarke, T.V. MacAuliffe, E.W. Wardle, J. McGrane, J. Davis, T. Reid, J. Callaghan, P.D. McIvor, J. Berrill, W.J. Skeffington, D. Branigan, J. Dolan, J.A.C. Noonan, P. Drew, J.A. Gannon.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes – The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages – Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments – Payments ordered amounting to £464: 8: 10 Borough Fund; £640: 0: 0 Artizans Dwellings Loan Acc, and £4: 4: 0 Public Library Account.

Borough Treasurer P.P. Keeley appointed

But one application for the position of Borough Treasurer was received, the applicant being Mr. P.P. Keeley Chord Road.

He was declared elected having been proposed by Councillor Callaghan, seconded by Alderman Lyons.

Lighting of Poor House Lane

Communication from residents of Sunnyside and St. Marys Cottages relating to the lighting of Poor House Lane read. Ordered to be referred to Gas Works Committee.

Letter read from the agent Bank of Ireland intimating that £1: 5: 1 interest had been credited to the Public Library Account.

Food & Drugs Act Prosecution

Upon the reading of a letter from Mr. J.W. McCann Solicitor he was authorized to take such steps as he might consider necessary in a Food & Drugs Act prosecution against Hon. Mr. Hoey

Vote of congratulation to Mr. J.A. Lynch

On the motion of Councillor Skeffington seconded by Alderman Maginn a resolution was unanimously passed congratulating Mr. J.A. Lynch on his promotion to the editorship of the Dungarvan Observer.

Hon. J. Callan 23/1/12.

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January
23rd

Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Tuesday the 23rd day of January 1912.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– L.J. Elcock, T. McCullough, J.J. Hoey, P. Lyons, and S. Jordan and J.J. Maginn.
Councillors:– J. Berrill, D. Branigan, T. Reid, J. Dolan, P.D. McIvor, J. Davis, J. McGrane, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, J.A.C. Noonan, P. Callan, W.J. Skeffington, P. Drew, J.A. Gannon, J. Clarke, T.V. McQuillan, and E.W. Wardle.

Minutes – The Notice convening the meeting was read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Election of Mayor Alderman T. McCullough elected

Alderman Elcock thereupon proposed and Councillor McQuillan seconded – that Alderman McCullough be and is hereby elected Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1913.

The motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Alderman McCullough then made a Declaration of acceptance of Office, and having taken the Oaths of allegiance and the Oath appertaining to the office of Justice of the Peace was invested with the Chain of Office by the outgoing mayor. He thereupon took the Chair.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting until the 7th February proximo having been moved by Alderman Elcock and seconded by Councillor Skeffington the same was put and carried.

Hon. T. McCullough

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7th February

Minutes of an adjourned Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 7th day of February 1912.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- J.F. Hoey, P. Lyons.

Councillors:- J.A.L. Noonan, J. Clarke, P. Drew, J.F. McQuillan, J. Berrill, E. McArdle, T. Reid, J. McGrane, J. Callaghan, J.J. Callan, J. Davis, P.D. McIvor, P. Lynch, D. Branigan, W.T. O'Keffington, J.A. Gannon, and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes & Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Callaghan it was Resolved:-

Quarterly Meetings

"That the remaining Quarterly Meetings of this Council for the year ending 23rd January 1913, shall be held at noon upon the first Wednesdays' of April, July and October."

Appointment of Committees

The following Committees were appointed for the year 1912:-

Bye Laws and Markets Committee:-

His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- P. Lyons, L.J. Elcock.

Councillors:- J.J. Callan, P.D. McIvor, J. Berrill, J. McGrane, D. Branigan, and J.A.L. Noonan.

Law and Finance Committee:-

His Worship the mayor.

Aldermen:- Jordan

Councillors:- Dolan, Lynch, Callaghan, Davis, Callan, Drew, Clarke.

Gas Works Committee:-

The Mayor. Aldermen:- Lyons, Elcock.

Councillors:- Callan, Lynch, Drew, Reid, McIvor, Callaghan.

Water Works Committee:-

The Mayor. Aldermen:- Lyons, Elcock, Jordan.

Councillors:- McQuillan, Berrill, Callaghan, Callan, Noonan.

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Technical Instruction Committee.

The Mayor. Aldermen:-

Councillors:- Callan, Dolan, Drew, McQuillan, McArdle, Callan.

Rt. Rev. Mgr. Segrave, V.y. J. Curry P.P., Rev. Canon L.P.J. Ledoux, Dr. Bradley.

Messrs.- W.J.D. Walker, J.W. Harbinson.

Public Library Committee:-

The Mayor. Councillors:- Callan, Clarke, Reid, Lynch, Gannon.

Mgr. Segrave, Fr. Curry, Canon Ledoux, Rev. T.R. Brunskill.

Messrs. M.A. Casey, J. Gray, A. McQuillan M.J. Kieran.

Housing Committee:-

The Mayor. Aldermen:- Lyons, Jordan, Hoey.

Councillors:- Davis, McGrane, Lynch, O'Keffington, Callan.

Old Age Pensions Committee:-

Aldermen:- McCullough, Magian, Jordan

Councillors:- Callan, Dolan, Callan, McIvor, Lynch, Callaghan, Drew, Gannon, O'Keffington.

Mgr. Segrave, Fr. Curry, Canon Ledoux, Rev. T.R. Brunskill.

Messrs.- McKenny, Hill, Reilly, Gannon.

It having been suggested that the Bye Laws and Markets Committee should deal with the question of the provision of a Fair Green and a Public Abbatoir, Councillor O'Keffington proposed and Councillor McArdle seconded – that a separate Committee be appointed for the purpose. Councillor Noonan proposed as an amendment, Councillor McIvor seconding – that the matter be referred to the Bye Laws and Markets Committee. On a Division being taken there voted –

For the Amendment:- Aldermen:- Hoey.

Councillors:- Noonan, McGrane, Reid, Berrill, Lynch, Callan, Callaghan, Davis, McIvor, Branigan. (11.)

Against the Amendment:- Aldermen:- Lyons.

Councillors:- Drew, McQuillan, McArdle, Gannon, Clarke, Dolan, O'Keffington. (8)

The Amendment was accordingly put and declared carried.

Report of Borough Surveyor upon a Fire in Peter Street read.

No order made.

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Borough Treasurer to submit Cash Book & Bank Pass Book ✓

Report of Law and Finance Committee recommending that the security to be given by the Borough Treasurer be reduced to £500; his cash book & Bank Pass Book to be submitted for examination weekly by the Committee or when they do not meet by the Town Clerk, read.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Keffington.

Apprentice in Gas Works

Report of Gas Works Committee read on the subject of the ~~M~~ taking in of an apprentice to be trained as a Gas Manager.

Ordered that a copy of the report be forwarded to the Technical Instruction Committee.

Letter of thanks from Rev. P. Moore for vote of condolence

Letter read from the Rev. P. J. Moore, Bombala, N.S.W., thanking the Council for their vote of condolence passed upon the death of his father the late Councillor Moore.

Daylight Saving Bill ✓

Letter read from Wm Willett, London, asking that the Member of Parliament be written to to give the Daylight Saving Bill his chance in the Ballot for Private Members' Bills.

Ordered that Mr. Nolan be requested to do so.

Irish Trade Mark ✓

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:
"That all articles supplied to this Corporation as of Irish Manufacture must be branded with the Irish Trade Mark and the Register No. of the manufacturer. Delivery will not be accepted of any articles which do not conform to this regulation".

Retiring allowance of Mr. C.E. McCann ✓

The consideration of the Notice of Motion of Councillor Callaghan regarding the application of Mr. C. E. McCann for a retiring allowance, was adjourned to next meeting.

Thos M Cullough

1912
February 20th 12th 27th

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the assembly room of the Court House at the hour of four o'clock in the afternoon on Monday the 12th day of February 1912 to consider report of Law and Finance Committee in relation to the rents of the new artizans dwellings.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J.T. Hoey, J.J. Elcock, P. Lyons
Councillors:- J.A.C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. McGrane, J.A. Gannon, J. Bernill, E. Wardle, J.V. McQuillan, J. Davis, P. Lynch, P. Callan, J.J. Callan and J. Callaghan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Fixing of Rents of new Artisans Dwellings

Report of Law and Finance Committee read, recommending that the rents of the new Artizans Dwellings in Patrick Street and Scarlet Street be fixed at 3/- per week.

Councillor Davis proposed and Alderman Elcock seconded – that the report be and is hereby adopted.

Councillor Noonan proposed as an amendment Alderman Hoey seconding, – that the rents be fixed at 2/6 per week.

As only Councillor McGrane and the mover and seconder were in favour of the amendment the motion was declared carried by twelve votes to three.

6/3/12 Thos M Cullough

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February
21st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 21st day of February 1912.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:—

Councillors:— J. A. B. Noonan, J. Clarke, T. Reid, J. V. McQuillan, J. McGrane, P. Lynch, J. A. Gannon, J. Dolan, J. Callaghan, J. J. Callan, D. Branigan, P. S. McIvor, and W. J. Heffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages sheet examined and signed.

Condolence on Parr — Councillor Callaghan proposed and Councillor Dolan seconded — that this meeting do now adjourn out of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Wm. Parr, father of Dr. Thomas Parr, Medical Officer of Health, and that the Town Clerk do tender to Dr. Parr the sympathy of the Council in his bereavement occasioned by the lamented death of his father.

Motion put and carried unanimously.

6/3/12 Thos Mc Cullough

1912.
March 4th

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon on Monday the 4th day of March 1912, to take into consideration a report of the Housing Committee and to consider generally the question of the promotion of an extensive housing scheme.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:— P. Jordan.

Councillors:— J. A. B. Noonan, J. V. McQuillan, E. McArdle, J. Davis, P. Lynch, J. McGrane, J. Clarke, P. Drew, J. Callaghan, P. S. McIvor, T. Reid.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Housing Scheme ✓ — Report of Housing Committee read, recommending that the dix dwellings to be built by Mr. Christopher Fogarty to complete his contract should be erected upon a site in Potato Market Square. and that Contracts be entered into for the building of about fifty three-roomed two storey dwellings, twenty-five to be erected at Platten Road and twenty-five at Mens Walk, the Borough Surveyor to prepare the necessary plans and the Town Clerk to arrange a further loan.

Letters from Mr. Fogarty were read, asking an extra of £15.10.0 per house for the building ~~of~~ on the Potato Market site for extra foundations, and requesting that a Committee should select a site for twenty three dwellings.

The Town Clerk was directed to write to Mr. Fogarty informing him that a fresh site would be selected and that instead of 23 there were only six dwellings to be erected by him.

Plans ✓ — The Borough Surveyor submitted a sketch plan of a three roomed single story dwelling which was examined. The Model Plans of the Local Government Board were also submitted and were examined.

After considerable discussion Councillor McArdle proposed, Councillor Noonan seconding — that designs "2" and "4" in the model plans be selected, and that ten dwellings be erected according

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according to design "Z" - a four roomed plan - and forty dwellings according to design "H" - a three roomed plan; and that the necessary plans be prepared, tenders invited and arrangements made for a further loan.

Councillor Callaghan proposed as an amendment and Councillor McIvor seconded — that thirty dwellings be erected according to design "H" and twenty according to a design prepared by Mr. J. J. Burke.

There being only Councillor Reid in favour of the amendment along with the proposer and seconder the motion was put and declared carried.

Jno J. Callan
10/3/12

1912
March 6th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 6th day of March 1912.

Present.

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:— L. J. Elcock, C. Lyons, L. Jordan.
Councillors:— J. A. C. Keenan, J. Clarke, J. Reid, T. C. McQuillan, J. Davis, J. Callaghan, P. D. McIvor, W. J. Heffington, L. Branigan, J. Dolan, C. McArdle, J. McGrane, J. A. Gannon and P. Drew.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments — Payments ordered amounting to £1875.6.1 Borough Fund and £22.0.4 Public Library account.

Extension of Gas Mains

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Heffington seconded by Councillor Davis:-

DROGHEDA CORPORATION GAS WORKS.

Gas Works, Drogheda,
February 8th, 1912.

Gentlemen,

REPORT OF THE GAS COMMITTEE re EXTENSION OF MAINS.

We have had under consideration the question of the extension of the Gas Supply Mains to localities not now served, and the relief of districts where the pipes are small and the pressure insufficient. We have had before us also the several applications for lighting, and have decided to bring before you a comprehensive scheme, and recommend the Corporation to obtain a loan of £725 to cover the cost of works according to the enclosed schedule. We have made enquiries, and find that we shall have sufficient increased consumption on the route of extensions as will amply cover the Interest and Sinking Fund on the proposed outlay. The extension from Railway along Dublin Road will take in the new Rectory, Railway Cottages, and the property at Blackbull; and the Poor-house Lane extension will supply Mr. Carpenter's and public lamp. We propose to run a main from Boyne Mill Gate via Greenhills Road, supplying the adjacent cottages, thence through Stoney Lane to Bredin Street, connecting there to existing main and relieving this district to Sunday's Gate, which is badly served at present; also supplying lamps on the route. Beamore Road—extending main 84 yards for lamp. Platten Road—connecting up gas to oil lamp. Mell Road— extending main to boundary, supplying lamps and property. John's Gate—extending main up Donore Road 84 yards for lamp. Patrick Street—laying main where only small service now exists. George's Street—laying main from Horse Fair to junction with Windmill Lane, thus relieving Fair Street and North Road generally.

Estimated Cost of Proposed Extensions of Mains.

	Yds.	£	s	d
From existing Main in Dublin Road to Blackbull	900	92	1	8
Continued to Newtown House	150	15	0	0
From Dublin Road to top of Poorhouse Lane	334	33	8	0
Extension in Beamore Road	84	8	8	0
Extension in Platten Road	167	12	0	6
Extension in Donore Road	166	16	12	0
From Boyne Mills, via Stoney Lane to Bredin Street	534	57	17	0
Extension of North Road Main	200	20	0	0
From George's Street to junction with Windmill Lane ...	361	46	12	7
From West Gate to end of Fair Street	70	9	1	0
From Mell Chapel to Boundary	600	60	0	0
New Main in Patrick Street	485	48	10	0
Special Connections, Repairing Trenches, Watching, &c. ...	—	55	9	3
Fitting up 50 Cottages with Slot Meter Cooker, &c.	—	250	0	0
		£725	0	0

R. C. E. McCann's Retiring allowance

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Callaghan moved:— "that the application of Mr. C. E. McCann, late Rate Collector, for a Retiring Allowance be considered."

Councillor

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Councillor Drew seconded the motion which was put and carried.

Alderman Elcock thereupon proposed – that Mr. McKeon be allowed a Retiring Allowance of £35 a year. Councillor Gannon seconded.

A Division was called for upon which there voted –
For the motion – Aldermen:- Jordan, Elcock, Lyons.
Councillors:- Drew, Noonan, McQuillan, Dolan, Gannon, Clarke, Davis, Callaghan, Branigan
and the Mayor. (13).
Against the motion – Councillors:- Reid, McArdle, McShane, McIvor, O'Keffington. (5)
The Motion was accordingly declared carried.

Letter of thanks from Dr Parr for vote of Condolence

Letter read from Dr. Thomas Parr thanking the Council for their vote of condolence passed upon the death of his father.

Upon the reading of a letter from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, of which the following is a copy, it was ordered that a copy be transmitted to the Harbour Board for their observations thereon:-

Navigation of Port – Improvement of

**Department of Agriculture and
Technical Instruction for Ireland,
Upper Merrion Street, Dublin,**
19TH JANUARY, 1912.

SIR,

I have to state, for the information of the Corporation of Drogheda, that correspondence has taken place with the Drogheda Harbour Board on the subject of the necessity for improving the navigation of the Port between the sea and the Town of Drogheda. The Department have already combined with the Harbour Board in providing the cost of a survey, which has been carried out, and a request has recently been received that an application be made by the Department to the Development Commissioners for funds—partly by way of grant and partly by way of loan—to enable the proposed improvement to be carried out.

The Drogheda Corporation are probably aware of the financial position of the Harbour Board, and will realise that some difficulty may be involved in an application by that Board to the Commissioners. The Corporation are, no doubt, deeply interested in any matter concerned with the improvement of the Port, and, consequently, the question may be worthy of their consideration whether they should not combine with the Harbour Board in any scheme that may be considered desirable, and secure such Parliamentary powers as may be found necessary to enable them to do so. A combination of the nature of that indicated would certainly strengthen the position of the Department in recommending the application to the Development Commissioners.

It is well to add that the Development Commissioners have passed a resolution of general application to the effect that, as a rule, they would decline to recommend schemes involving the acquisition of Parliamentary powers until such powers had first been obtained.

I am Sir, your obedient Servant,

T. P. GILL, Secretary.

The Town Clerk, Corporation of Drogheda,
Courthouse, Drogheda.

Fair Green Site

Letter read from L. J. Branigan Shop Street offering a site for a Fair Green.

Ordered

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Ordered that the same be brought before the Bye Laws and Markets Committee upon the following Monday.

Railway Rating Delegates

His Worship the Mayor; Councillor Davis, and the Town Clerk were deputed to represent the Corporation at a Conference to be held in the City Hall Dublin on the 20th March 1912 to discuss the question of Railway Rating.

Concreting

Application read from Thomas Callan Chord Road for the footpath in front of houses owned by him in Francis Street to be concreted.

Ordered that the application be complied with.

Sanitary Salaries

Communication from the Local Government Board, transmitting a Paying Order for £214:16:2 as a contribution to Sanitary Salaries for the half year ending 30th September 1911.

No order made.

Public Roads (Ireland) Acts

Circular Letter from the Local Government Board submitted, enclosing a copy of "The Public Roads (Ireland) Act, 1911" and explaining its provisions.

The matter was referred to the Borough Surveyor.

Jno J Callan
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 20th day of March 1912

Present.

In the Chair - Councillor J.J. Callan.

Aldermen:- L.J. Elcock, J.L. Hoey.

Councillors:- J.F.C. Noonan, J. Clarke, E. McArdle, T. Reid, J.A. Gannon, P. Drew, J. McQuillan, J. Dolan, J. Callaghan, P.D. McIvor, D. Branigan, and W.J. Heffington.

Minutes. — The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Improvement of Port Committee appointed to confer with Harbour Board — Read, a letter from the Secretary to the Harbour Commissioners intimating that the Commissioners approved of the suggestion of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction - that the Corporation should co-operate with the Harbour Board in a scheme for the improvement of the Port, and suggesting that a Committee from the Corporation should confer with a Committee from the Harbour Board on the matter.

A Committee consisting of Alderman Elcock and Councillors Davis, Callaghan, McQuielan, Clarke and McArdle was appointed to meet the representatives of the Harbour Board.

Housing Fund Corporation's Contribution — Communication from the Local Government Board read, intimating that the Corporation's Contribution from the Housing Fund for the year ending 31st March 1912 would be £11:7:5, and that the contributions of future years would depend upon the amount borrowed by all local authorities in Ireland.

Monsignor Segrave Sale of plot Scarlet St. — Further communication of the Board read, approving of the proposed sale to Mgr. Segrave of a plot of ground in Scarlet Street

Motor Car Regulations Amending Order re — Circular letter of the Board also read forwarding copy ## and explaining the provisions of an order amending regulations with respect to Motor Cars. No order made.

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Advertising Hoarding offer for site for — A proposal of the Drogheda Advertising Co. to take vacant premises in Shop Street for an advertisment hoarding was not entertained.

Home Rule Demonstration, Dublin Corpn. attend in State — On the motion of alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor McQuillan, it was unanimously Resolved:- "That the Corporation do attend in State at the Home Rule Demonstration to be held in Dublin upon Sunday the 31st March 1912 and that the Town Clerk be and is hereby instructed to make all necessary arrangements."

Government Contracts — A Resolution regarding the supply of Government Contracts in Ireland forwarded by the Dublin Industrial Development Association was submitted and was unanimously adopted.

Meat Marking Bill — A Resolution of the Irish Cattle Traders and Stock Owners' Association approving of the Meat Marking (Ireland) Bill was read and adopted.

Thos McCullough

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1912. April 3rd

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 3rd day of April 1912.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. F. Hoey and S. Jordan.
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. Dolan, E. McArdle, J. McGrane, T. V. McQuillan, J. Berrill, J. Davis, J. Callaghan, P. D. McIvor, T. Reid, D. Branigan and J. A. Gannon.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments. — Payments ordered amounting to ~~£668:3:8~~ £668:8:3 Borough Fund and £5:13:6 Public Library Account.

Workmens' Dwellings Platten Road & Duleek St. Plans, Specification & Tenders

Report of Town Clerk read, intimating that Plans, Site Plan and Specification had been prepared for the building of forty two three-roomed two-storey Workmens' Dwellings upon the site at the corner of Platten Road and Duleek Street and would be submitted together with tenders for the same.

Loan of £5,000

That arrangements had been made for the borrowing of a further loan of £5,000, and an alternative site selected in Patrick Street upon which Mr. Christopher Gogarty was building six dwellings to complete his contract.

Housing Fund contribution

And that the contribution from the Housing Fund would for this year be equal to the full liability incurred.

The report was adopted.

Letting of premises Church Lane to R. H. Lloyd.

Report of Estate, Law and Finance Committee read, recommending that Mr. S. W. Woods should be allowed to remain on in possession of the premises occupied by him in Church Lane for a few weeks beyond the 25th march, and that they should ~~be being~~ be re-let to Mr. R. H. Lloyd Bank of Ireland upon the same conditions as attached to Mr. Woods' tenancy.

The report was adopted.

Report

1912. April 3rd

New Two lift Telescopic Gas Holder — Sanction for borrowing of £725 for Extensions

Report of Gas Works Committee read, recommending that a new two lift telescopic Gasholder with steel tank and lattice standards to hold 150,000 cbc. ft. be erected at the Gas Works at an estimated cost of £2,800, and that the sanction of the Local Government Board to such expenditure and a sum of £725 for Extensions of Mains &c be requested. The Committee further recommended that Plans and Specifications should be prepared and contracts let.

The report was adopted.

Tenders for Workmens' Dwellings

Six Tenders for the erection of forty two Workmens' Dwellings at the corner of Platten Road and Duleek Street together with Plans, Site Plans and Specification were submitted.

S. Henly & Sons Tender accepted.

The lowest tender, that of Messrs. S. Henly & Sons Fair Street, at £123:4:4 per house, was accepted, and the Plans and Specification were approved.

Mary Finglas Lease Scarlet St. Rent reduced for surrender of portion of holding to Corpn.

The Seal of the Corporation was affixed this day to an endorsement upon a Lease unto Catherine Lyons of premises in Scarlet Street, the interest in which is now vested in Miss Mary Finglas of Francis Street, whereby the rent reserved is reduced from £5 to £4 per annum in consideration of a portion of the plot being surrendered to the Corporation.

B. R. T. Balfour Lease sealed to

A Lease was this day executed together with a Memorial thereof unto Blayney R. T. Balfour, Townley Hall, Drogheda, of a yard and premises on the South side of West Street at the rere of premises of the lessee for a term of thirtyone years from the 25th March 1910, at the yearly rent of fifteen shillings.

C. E. McCann's Retiring Allowance

On the motion of Councillor Callaghan seconded by Alderman Jordan it was unanimously Resolved:-

"That the resolution of the Council of the 6th March 1912, awarding Mr. Charles E. McCann, late Rate Collector, a Retiring Allowance of £35 per annum be and is hereby affirmed."

At the invitation of the Irish Tourist Development Ltd the

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Tourist Conference Delegates

the Mayor and the Town Clerk were deputed to represent the Council at an All Ireland Tourist Conference proposed to be held in Dublin.

Corporation Workmen's Holidays

A Communication from the Dock Labourers Union on the subject of Holidays of Workmen was read and ordered to be brought before the Law and Finance Committee.

Right of way Newfoundwell

A letter from Joseph F. Matthews relating to a right of way at Newfoundwell was also read and referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Charge of malingering by Workmen repudiated

Upon the reading of a communication from the workmen repudiating the charge of malingering made by Councillor McGrane no order was made.

Duties on Land Values
Forms not to be filled

The Town Clerk submitted forms received from the Assistant Secretary Inland Revenue in relation to Duties on Land Values.

He was instructed not to fill up such forms.

Thos McCullough
17/4/12

1912. April 16th
Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Tuesday the 16th day of April 1912; to carry into operation the provisions of the Shops Act 1911.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. Lyons, J. Jordan.
Councillors:– D. Branigan, J.A. Gannon, C. McArdle, T. Reid, J.A.C. Noonan, J. Dolan, J. Davis, and J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

A Memorial from Shopkeepers ~~was~~ to whom the second schedule of the act does not apply was read asking that Thursday should be made the weekly half holiday.

Shops Act
Weekly Half Holiday
Closing Order for Thursday

On the motion of Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor Noonan it was unanimously Resolved:–

"That in pursuance of the Shops Act 1911 we, the Corporation of Drogheda, do hereby order and direct that all Shops within the Borough, other than those expressly excluded by the second schedule to the said act, shall be closed at one o'clock in the afternoon on Thursday of every week, and such day shall be recognised as the weekly half-holiday subject to the provisions of the said Act and to the following exceptions: that is to say, in the event of a Fair day or a Holiday of the Roman Catholic Church falling upon a Thursday all shops shall be closed at one o'clock on the preceding Tuesday instead.

This Order shall apply to all classes of shops save as aforesaid, to the entire Borough, and the weekly half-holiday shall be the same day throughout the year."

A Memorial purporting to be signed by 67 persons licensed for the sale by retail of intoxicating liquors was submitted, asking that such trade or business should be brought within the weekly half holiday order.

On the motion of Councillor McArdle, seconded by Councillor Dolan

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Dolan it was unanimously Resolved:-

That the Town Clerk be and is hereby directed to take all necessary steps for ascertaining by open ballot the opinion of all shopkeepers or traders to whom the second schedule of the shops act 1911 applies, as to whether they are in favour of closing their establishments at one o'clock upon Thursdays - the day selected by this Council for the weekly half-holiday - and on Tuesdays instead of Thursdays whenever a Fair Day or a Holiday of the Roman Catholic Church falls upon a Thursday."

Thos Mc Callough
1/5/12

1912. April 17th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 17th day of April 1912.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. F. Hoey, L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, P. Drew, T. Reid, J. A. Gannon, T. V. McQuillan, P. Tallan, J. Berrill, J. Davis, P. D. McIvor, J. Callaghan, D. Branigan, W. T. Skeffington & J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages sheet examined and signed.

Gas Works Loan & Striking of Rates

Reports of the Town Clerk dealing with the proposed Gas Works Loan and the Striking of Rates were submitted.

Ordered that a Special Meeting be convened for the 24th April to consider such reports.

Rate Collector's lists of Irrecoverable Rates & Arrears approved

The Rate Collector's Lists of ~~arrears and~~ Irrecoverable Rates and arrears amounting to £71: 2:8 Consolidated Rate, and £26:8:5 Sanitary Rate, and £38:19:0 Consolidated Rate and £58:1:5 Sanitary Rate respectively were submitted and approved.

National Convention Delegates

The Mayor with Aldermen Jordan and Lyons and Councillors McQuillan, Skeffington & Dolan were appointed Delegates to the National Convention to be held in Dublin on the 11th April.

Workmens' Dwellings Platten Road Extra allowed for change in Site Plan

Plans, Specification, Estimate (£131:17:4), Detail plan of windows of doors amended as required by Local Government Board, and Site Plan amended to provide only 30 dwellings instead of 42 for the building of Workmens Dwellings at the corner of Platten Road and Duleek Street were submitted and approved.

It was unanimously agreed to allow the Contractors, Messrs S. Henly & Sons, £2:5:8 extra per house in consequence of the alteration in site plan and to find another site for remaining 12 dwellings, with a similar extra, to complete contract.

Concreting

Upon her application it was ordered that the footpath in

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in front of houses erected by Mrs. Branigan in Alston Lane to be concreted.

Vote of congratulation to Irish Party

On the motion of Councillor Heffington, seconded by Councillor McQuillan it was unanimously Resolved:-

'That this Corporation congratulates the Irish Parliamentary Party upon the introduction of the Home Rule Bill and earnestly expresses the hope that it may soon be passed into Law.'

Thos Mc Cullough

1/5/12

1912. May 1st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the first May 1912.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- J. J. Hoey, P. Lyons,

Councillors:- J. Reid, R. D. McIvor, J. Callaghan, J. Davis, J. V. McQuillan, E. McArdle, S. Branigan, P. Fallan, J. A. C. Noonan, J. Dolan, Marcus D. Drew and J. A. Cannon.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments

Payments ordered amounting to £585: 15: 11 Borough Fund and £4: 9: 11 Public Library account.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

The following Reports of the Town Clerk were taken as read

East Wall Loan

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE, COURT HOUSE DROGHEDA
15th April, 1912.

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

CAS WORKS LOANS.

GENTLEMEN,

I have been requested by the Gas Works Committee to make application to the Local Government Board for sanction to the borrowing of £3,525 for Extensions of Mains, purchase of Slot Meter Cookers, and the erection of a Gas Holder.

Four other Loans have already been contracted for the Gas Works, and as Loans entail considerable cost in Enquiry Expenses, Law Costs, Stamp Duty, &c., there ought, if at all possible, to be some finality to such borrowings. I would suggest, therefore, that the Gas Committee might take into consideration whether the improvements desired could not be carried out without the aid of a loan.

The estimate for the Gas Holder is £2,800. I am informed by the Borough Surveyor that a new Gas Holder was erected in Tralee while he was there which cost only £1,490.

With regard to the Extension of Mains, the greater portion of this expenditure, amounting to £475, will entail an increase in the cost of Public Lighting, which is already very heavy, as there are not sufficient consumers in the localities to be served to make the extensions remunerative. The whole of the extensions do not appear to be immediately necessary—that is, they could be carried out by degrees; but the erection of the Gas Holder may be now necessary.

In 1908 a Loan was contracted for the erection of new Retorts, Retort Benches, and Washer Scrubber, and the Gas Works Manager estimated that when these improvements were carried out about £700 per annum would be saved. As no relief, to any appreciable extent, has since been given to gas consumers, it must be assumed that portion of this saving has been applied to over-payments to the Sinking Fund. As a matter of fact, there have been substantial over-payments to the Sinking Fund, and perhaps those excess payments could be used for the erection of the Gas Holder, and thereafter the extensions carried out by degrees.

£250 is put down for Slot Meter Cookers. Until now Cookers have been obtained from the Manufacturers with the cost being spread over some years, and no reason is assigned for discontinuing that method.

Your obedient Servant,

J. B. CONNOLLY,
Town Clerk.

Striking of Rates

STRIKING OF RATES.

GENTLEMEN,

The Law and Finance Committee have referred to me the annual Estimates of the Borough Surveyor and the Demand of the County Council, etc., and have directed me to bring in a report on the question of the striking of a rate for the ensuing financial year.

The Estimates do not disclose anything of a special nature to which it is necessary to draw attention. The County Council Demand, however, cannot be passed over without notice being taken of certain items. I refer particularly to the expenditure incurred in the late Parliamentary Election for North Louth, and the proposed erection of a Pier or Harbour at Annagasson.

There is not a shadow of justification for asking the Parliamentary Division of South Louth, of which Drogheda forms a very considerable part, to contribute to expenses, unprecedented in amount, incurred by the Parliamentary Division of North Louth in contesting a Revision of the Voters' Lists and a Parliamentary Election with great bitterness. The greater portion of these expenses was incurred in the past financial year, but the County Council, instead of striking a sufficient rate to cover them, reduced the estimate quite regardless of the actual expenditure incurred. This looks at first an "Ostrich" attitude, as by degrees the County will have to make good the deficiency; but it had this merit, if merit it can be called, the effect of the action of the County Council, for the time being, left those concerned under the impression they were only being asked to contribute their portion of a normal expenditure. The amount allowed was £800—a normal figure—while the estimated expenditure was £1,300. In the case of Drogheda, its proportion of the deficiency will be brought forward as a Debit Balance until the deficiency is by degrees made good.

To tax Drogheda for a Harbour at Annagasson is to raise money off Drogheda to provide Annagasson with facilities to reduce the trade of the Port of Drogheda. Nor is this all; the Harbour Commissioners of Dundalk, recognising that the trade of their Port would be prejudicially affected, the Provisional Order contained powers to levy Dues, &c., lodged a petition against it, and the expenses of contesting the claims of the Commissioners are put upon Drogheda, whose Port trade will be more sensibly affected than that of Dundalk. Every penny needed for the development and maintenance of the Port of Drogheda must be provided by Drogheda, and it is but simple justice, therefore, to say it ought not to be taxed for harbour improvements in another portion of the County. As I understand the situation, no definite agreemeent has yet been arrived at between the Promoters of the Annagasson Pier and the Harbour Commissioners of Dundalk, and unless such agreement is come to the Provisional Order will meet with opposition, and there is no necessity to remind members of the Corporation how easy it is to mount up costs in opposing a Provisional Order before Parliament. The County Council have set a limit of £200 upon such expenditure, but it is almost impossible to limit it.

Only £81 is brought into Receipts under the head of Motor Fees, which appears to me a very small sum having regard to the present number of Motor Cars in the County, and I am under the impression that a greater expenditure of effort would result in a much larger revenue from this source, in which of course the Borough of Drogheda would be entitled to participate.

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Water Rate

The annual sum allowed for the maintenance of the Dundalk Infirmary has been increased by £200, which means that Drogheda will be asked for the future to contribute an additional amount of about £20 per annum towards the upkeep of an Institution from which it derives no benefit directly or indirectly.

A resolution was unanimously passed by the County Council some time ago to the effect that the Clerks of the contributory areas within the County should be furnished with copies of Minutes, Reports, Estimates, &c., in order that they might keep their Councils informed of proposals of the County Council affecting their respective districts, but this resolution, so far as Drogheda at any rate is concerned, has, for some time past, been ignored.

Compared with the previous year, the Demand shows a reduction of £133, equal to 1½d in the pound nearly, due entirely to a considerable reduction in Union Charges, which, in turn, is due to the operations of the Old Age Pensions Act.

No reduction in rates can, however, be made, as the cost of rebuilding the retaining wall to the Dublin Road will be more than the reduction in the County Council Demand.

Throughout the year, which ended on the 31st March, the cost of maintenance of roads, streets, and paths was reduced by £760, but, as this economy was effected at the cost of "starving" roads in the earlier part of the year, it probably will be counterbalanced by increased expenditure during the current year; besides, there was an increase in expenditure under other heads.

There can be no reduction in the Sanitary Rate for the Water Supply. A Public Rate of 1/6 is high, but it is hardly fully recognised that nearly £2,000 per annum has to be found for Interest and Sinking Fund on loans. The Water Undertaking has cost over £40,000 to make it what it is to-day, and while it is true that a better Supply could be provided for less than half that amount, yet the Corporation were in the position of having no option but to purchase the existing Water Undertaking and to make the most they could of it.

I think it would be well worth the while of the Corporation to appont a deputation to wait upon the Local Government Board for the purpose of representing the exceptional circumstances connected with the Water Undertaking, and that the period fixed for the repayment of the loans for the Barnattin Reservoir should be re-considered and a much longer period allowed.

Although no reduction can be made in the current financial year, I think a change in the incidence of taxation might afford considerable relief to the general body of ratepayers if consumers who use the water for other than domestic purposes were obliged to pay proportionately for doing so—that is Publicans, Bakers, Chemists, Fish Dealers, Hotel and Restaurant Keepers, Carriers, Dairyowners, Hairdressers, Car Posting Establishments, Builders' Yards, Mineral Water Manufacturers, Livery Stables, Bottling Stores, Slaughter Houses, Hoses for Gardens, Motor Works, etc.

The change made in 1907 has proved a more economical and more equitable method of taxation than that which preceded it. Prior to that date the vast majority of Ratepayers were paying a total Rate of 6s. 2d.—a Consolidated Rate of 4s. 8d.; and a Water Rate of 1s. 6d.—and the remainder only the Consolidated Rate of 4s. 8d. Under the altered conditions, all Ratepayers paid a total Rate of 5s. 6d, a gain of 8d. to the great bulk of the Ratepayers, and in some cases as much as 17s. 3d. in the pound.—several cottages, whose valuations were only 10s. formerly paid 9s. 4½d. a year, instead of 9d.—and an increase of 10d. to a small number who previously did not contribute their fair share to the expenses of the Water Supply. The change has not, however—except in the case of Manufacturers—prevented consumers, who use the Water Supply for other than domestic purposes, from continuing to do so without extra charge. A fairer method would be to reduce the Domestic Water Rate, and to charge consumers who use the water for other than domestic purposes in accordance with a scale to be fixed. The effect of this would be to more fairly distribute the cost of the Water Supply in proportion to the extent to which the water is consumed.

At the present time a Concrete Tank to hold filtered water is being constructed at Rosehall, and the money, instead of being raised by Loan, is being found by the following method:—The Local Government Board have advanced £500 for the relief of distress; £70 has been received in local subscriptions; and £50 has been contributed by the Corporation. In all £620. The estimate for the work is £800, and I have suggested to the Finance Committee that the balance could be provided by suspending payment to the Sinking Fund for the Street Improvements Loan, into which Sinking Fund over-payments have been made. I fear though that the work will not be completed within the estimate. I think the estimate will be largely exceeded, as already £500 have been expended on excavations alone, and this part of the work is yet far from completion. If my anticipation should prove correct, the Corporation will be faced with a difficulty to find money to complete the work. Difficulties have not arisen in the progress of the work, but the return for the money expended by the Distress Committee cannot be described as satisfactory. On the other hand, if a Loan were decided upon, there would be the expenses of a Local Enquiry, and Legal and other expenses; a very considerable delay, and an increased rate of about one penny for the next 30 years to cover Principal and Interest.

Having regard, therefore, to all the circumstances referred to, I propose to frame my estimates for a Consolidated Rate of 4s. in the pound, and a Sanitary Rate of 1s. 6d. in the pound, being the same rates as have been levied for the past three years.

Your Obedient Servant,

J. B. CONNOLLY,
Town Clerk.

Gas Works Loan

A Report of the Gas Works Committee was read stating that two of the loans referred to in the Town Clerk's report had been entirely paid off; that the capacity of the works of the works had been increased and renewed out of revenue during the past four years at a cost of over £3000; that the holder proposed to be erected would be about twice the size of the holder erected in Tralee; that the increased cost in Public Lighting would not amount to more than £25 per annum.

Ordered the Plans, Specifications and Estimates of the Gas Works improvements be submitted for approval; that the portions of the Town Clerk's report dealing with the Water Supply be brought before the Water Works Committee, and that the report be brought before the next meeting of the Council for further consideration.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Davis moved:—
"That the following words shall be added to and form part of

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Shops Act Orders

of the Order made by the Council at their meeting on the 16th April 1912, under the Shops Act 1911, fixing the day on which shops shall be closed for the weekly half holidays.

"Where a shop is closed for the serving of customers not later than one o'clock in the afternoon on any day which is not a Thursday in any week in which the Boyne Regatta or the Drogheda Agricultural and Industrial Show or Bellewstown Race Meeting or Slane Race Meeting is held this order shall not require such shops to be closed at one o'clock in the afternoon on Thursday of that week."

The Motion was seconded by Councillor McArdle was put and was declard carried.

On the motion of Councillor Drew seconded by Councillor McQuillan it was Resolved:

Striking of Rates Resolutions

"That we, the Corporation of Drogheda do order and direct that a Consolidated Municipal Rate be made applotted assessed levied and raised within the Borough of Drogheda, the said Rate to be for the financial year ending the 31st day of March 1913 and to be at the rate of forty eight pence in the pound, to be assessed levied and raised from and off the owners occupiers or ~~X~~ tenants of all hereditaments rateable for the relief of the destitute poor in Ireland, thirty three pence three farthings in the pound of such rate being to meet General District Poor Rate Charges, twelve pence farthing in the pound thereof being to meet Borough charges (including the maintenance of the public works transferred from the Grand Jury), one penny in the pound thereof to meet the expenses for the purposes of the Public Libraries Acts, and one penny in the pound thereof to meet the expensa for the purposes of the Technical Instruction Acts.

And it is hereby further directed that a Sanitary Rate of eighteen pence in the pound be made applotted levied and raised under the provisions of section 226 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 in manner therein provided to meet the expenses of the Water Supply for the District."

The Estimates as foreshadowed in the Town Clerks report were submitted and were formally approved on the motion of Councillor Dolan seconded by Councillor Callaghan and the Rate Book and Collectors

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Shops Act Orders Closing of Butcher Shops on Half Holidays

A Communication purporting to be signed by two thirds of the persons engaged in trade of the sale of meat asking the Corporation to extend the Weekly Half holiday Order under the Shops act 1911 to their trade or business, was read.

It was unanimously agreed to ~~exclude~~ extend to such trade or business the half holiday closing order.

Housing Fund contribution

A Communication from the Local Government Board forwarding a certificate amounting to £44:7:6 made sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 5 of the Housing of the Working classes (Ireland) Act 1908 was read.

No order made.

"Holland"
Letter from Board of Trade re

Letter read from the Assistant Secretary Board of Trade on the subject of the proposed Conveyance to the Corporation and the Harbour Board of certain lands at St James foreshore.

The Town Clerk having read copy of his reply the same was approved.

New Rectory Dublin Road
Gulley Trap & Gravel footpath in front of

Application from the Secretary St Marys Select Vestry for a gully trap to be placed in the water table and connected with the main sewer, and for the gravel footpath to be continued in front of the new Rectory on the Dublin Road, read.

Ordered that the request be complied with.

Rate Collector's Lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates
L.G.B. approve

Read, a letter from the Local Government Board returning the Rate Collectors Lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates with their Rulings stamped thereon, and suggesting certain procedure in future where rates are not paid to the Collr.

Ordered that the suggestions be acted upon.

Joseph Byrne, Car Driver
Licence revoked

Upon a complaint made by Councillor Fallan as to his conduct on the 17th april it was unanimously decided to revoke the Car Drivers License of Joseph Byrne.

Thos Mc Cullough 15/5/12

1912. May 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 15th day of May 1912.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– P. Lyons, J.T. Hoey, D. Jordan and L. J. Elcock.

Councillors:– D. Branigan, T. Reid, P.D. McIvor, J. Callaghan, J. Dolan, P. Lynch, J. Berrill, J. Clarke, J.A. Gannon, J. Davis, T.C. McQuillan, E. Ward & S. Drew.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Notice — The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Patrick Cluskey Car Drivers Licence

Patrick Cluskey, Duleek Street, was granted a Car Drivers Licence.

Striking of Rates Report on

The Report of the Town Clerk upon the Striking of Rates was again considered.

Ordered that the portions of it relating to the Demand of the County Council be brought under the notice of the County Councillors for Drogheda, a meeting to be convened for that purpose; and that the Water Works Committee do bring in a report detailing the changes proposed to be made in the manner of raising the revenue for the water supply. The appropriation of the Street Improvements Loan Sinking Fund for the current year to the cost of the Tank at Rosehall was agreed to.

Fair Green

The consideration of a Report of the Bye Laws and Markets Committee relating to sites for a Fair Green was adjourned to next meeting.

Reduction in price of Gas by 3d per 1000 Cubic ft

A Report of the Gas Works Committee recommending a reduction of 3 pence per 1000 cubic feet in the price of Gas was read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Hoey, seconded by Councillor McIvor.

Gas Works Secretary Increase in salary of £30 per year

Read, a report of Gas Works Committee recommending that the Salary of the Manager and Secretary be increased by £30 per annum.

On the motion of Alderman Hoey, seconded by Alderman Elcock it was unanimously agreed to increase the salary by

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by £30 per annum.

Gas Holder Loan for erection of

A further Report of Gas Works Committee in connection with the proposed Loan for a Gas Holder &c was read.

It was agreed to adjourn the consideration of the matter for a week in order that Plans, Specification Estimate &c might be submitted for approval.

It was agreed to adjourn the consideration of a report of the Law and Finance Committee to next meeting.

Chas. E. Mc Cann Retiring Allowance

On the motion of Councillor Callaghan, seconded by Councillor Dolan it was unanimously Resolved:-

"That the resolution of the Council of the 6th March 1912, awarding a Retiring allowance of £35 per annum to Charles E. Mc Cann, late Rate Collector, be and is hereby affirmed."

Shops act 1912 Committee appointed &c

Circular Letter from the Under Secretary, Dublin Castle, on the subject of the Shops act 1912 together with Regulations and a Memorandum issued by the Lord Lieutenant, submitted.

A Committee consisting of the Mayor with Aldermen Lyons and Cook and Councillors - Ward, McQuillan, Davis and Gannon was appointed to deal with the matter.

Thos Mc Geough
5/6/12

1912. May 22nd

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of 12-30 o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday the 22nd day of May 1912.

Present.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. L. Hoey.
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, C. Drew, J. A. Gannon, E. Ward, J. Davis, J. V. McQuillan, J. Dolan, J. Serrill, J. Callaghan, P. Lynch, T. Reid, P. L. McIvor, and L. Branigan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Artizans Dwellings Loan of £5000 for

Report of Town Clerk upon the delay in the sanctioning of a second loan of £5,000 for the erection of artizans Dwellings, read. It was pointed out the delay arose because accomodation for only 30 houses had so far been provided, and suggested that 25 houses might be built upon the Mans Walk site by the present Contractors at the same price as the Duleek Street dwellings and a loan of £750 arranged for.

It was unanimously agreed to act upon the suggestion.

Artizans Dwellings Building of three-roomed houses

It having been mentioned that the Borough Surveyor was preparing plans for a five-roomed dwelling to let at 4/- per week, it was decided upon the motion of Councillor Callaghan seconded by Councillor Noonan that the preparation of the plans should not be proceeded with and that the Council should instead continue to build three-roomed dwellings.

Erection of Gasholder L. G. B's consent to Loan

Report of Gas Works Committee read, intimating that they had ascertained from the Local Government Board that their consent to the borrowing of £7,700 for Extensions and Improvements had not been revoked and therefore no Enquiry was necessary for the loan for the Gas Holder, Extensions of Mains &c., but instead to ask the Local Government Board to vary the consent as only £1030 had been included for a Gasholder in an existing tank in the loan sanctioned. And that the Board suggested the Gas Works Manager should put in writing the information he had verbally given them and that it should be sent with the Plans and Specification.

Plan, Specification and Estimate for Gas Holder together with a Statement

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Statement prepared by the Gas Works Manager were submitted and ~~was~~ approved, and the Town Clerk was directed to forward the same to the Local Government Board

Report of Law and Finance Committee as follows, read:

John Dowd & John Callaghan Leases to ✓

GENTLEMEN—Mr. John Dowd, of Hardman's Garden, and Mr. John Callaghan, T.C., Shop Street, have applied for leases of their Premises at Hardman's Garden and Bachelor's Lane respectively, of which they are presently yearly tenants at rents of £4 10s. 0d. and £2 2s. 0d. We recommend that leases for 31 years be granted at rents of £4 10s. and £1 respectively, Mr. Callaghan to repair a wall on his premises.

Church Lane premises Repairs to

We have given the Borough Surveyor directions to carry out repairs at a cost not exceeding £10 to premises in Church Lane, agreed to be let to Mr. R. H. Lloyd, Bank of Ireland.

Car Inspector P. Faulley appointed

We unanimously recommend the Council to give effect to the decision arrived at by the Council in Committee on the 30th August, 1910, to increase the salary of the School Attendance Officer, Mr. Patrick Shanley, by £12 per annum, in consideration of his discharging the duties of Car Inspector, the present Inspector, Caffrey, to retire upon an allowance of 2s 6d per week.

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Increase in Wages to Workmen

We have had under consideration the application of the Workmen for an increase in their wages, and we recommend that their wages be increased by 1s per week all round, with the exception of the Foreman and Tradesmen.

Increase in Foreman's Wages

We have increased the Foreman's wages by 2s 6d, making them 22s 6d per week.

Chr. Gogarty's application for lease of plures Chord Rd not entertained.

Your Committee had before them a proposal of Mr. Christopher Gogarty to take a lease of premises upon the Chord Road, upon which there at present stand three thatched cabins and a slated cabin, for the building thereon of five or six two-storied Workmens' Dwellings. Your Committee decided not to entertain the proposal.

G. N. R. Bill Parliamentary Agent's Costs

We instructed the Solicitor to the Corporation to discharge a claim of Mr. R. L. S. Badham, Parliamentary Agent, for costs amounting to £7 8s. 8d. in connection with the opposition to the Great Northern Railway Company's Bill and to charge the same in his own Bill of Costs.

Tourist Guide Books Advertisement

We have again decided to put an advertisement in the Tourist Guide Books of the Larne and Stranraer Steamship Joint Committee at a cost of £5, there being a decided increase in the number of tourist inquiries since the first advertisement.

Rt. Rev. Mgr. Segrave & James McGinn Exchange of land

We recommend the Council to accept Archdeacon Segrave as tenant of portion of a holding of Mr. James Maginn at Manimore, which the former has arranged to take from the latter in exchange for an unused portion of the new Cemetery, in order to provide an entrance to the Cemetery from the public road at the top of Windmill Lane, the rent when divided not to be less than the present rent. In the event of Archdeacon Segrave desiring to purchase later on, we see no objection to the Corporation assenting to a sale.

Tenders for Annual Supplies

We have examined tenders for Annual Supplies, and we recommend that the following be accepted :—

✓	Oils, Colours, &c.,	... ...	Peter Murphy.
✓	Horse Shoeing,	... ...	John Owens.
✓	Harness,	... ...	John Callan.
✓	Carts and Smithwork,	... ...	James Cooney.
✓	Ironmongery,	... ...	P. Murphy, & A. Murdock & Sons, Ltd.
✓	Cement,	... ...	A. Murdock & Sons, Ltd.
✓	Bricks,	... ...	H. R. Osborne.
✓	Slates,	... ...	Patrick Wogan.
✓	Machine Oils,	... ...	Vacuum Oil Co., Ltd.
✓	Timber,	... ...	A. Murdock & Sons., Ltd., & M. Kirkpatrick & Sons.
✓	Gravel and Sand,	... ...	Peter Carroll.
✓	Disinfectants,	... ...	Luke J. Healy, & Pearson's Antiseptic Co., Ltd.
	Clothing,	... ...	J. T. Fay.
✓	Keeping Tholsel Clock in Repair	...	Wehrley & Co.

We have selected the lowest tender for each item, except in the case of Contracts for Harness, Carts and Smithwork, where we considered it would be undesirable to sub-divide the contracts, and in the the case of the Vacuum Oil Co., Ltd., where we thought it best to accept their tender, although not the lowest, having regard to the quality of the oils they propose to supply. We have not accepted any of the tenders for Forage, as we considered these should be invited in the month of October, when prices would be lower.

Dated 6th May, 1912.

THOMAS M'CULLOUGH,
Chairman.

James Caffrey Retiring allowance

It was unanimously agreed to make the allowance to the present Car Inspector, Caffrey 3/6 instead of 2/6 per week.

Councillor Noonan thereupon moved - that a Car Inspector at a salary of £18 per year be advertised for. Alderman Hoey seconded.

Councillor Lynch moved an amendment - that the report be adopted, and Councillor M'Quillan seconded. There voted

For the amendment — Councillors - Drew, Davis, Dolan, M'Quillan, Gannon, Clarke, Lynch, Reid, M'Ivor and Branigan (10)

Against the amendment - Alderman Hoey. Councillors - Noonan, Devine, M'Gurk (4)

The amendment was declared carried. Thos M'Cullough 5/6/12

1912. June 5th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 5th day of June 1912.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen: — P. Lyons & L. J. Elcock.

Councillors: — J. A. C. Noonan, J. M'Grane, J. Davis, J. A. Gannon, J. V. M'Quillan, J. Dolan, J. Callaghan, P. J. M'Ivor, J. Reid, P. Branigan, J. Clarke and E. Murdock.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages sheet examined and signed.

Payments — Payments ordered: Borough Fund £ Public Library Account £

Increase in men's wages to be retrospective.

Ordered that the increase in the wages of the men do take effect from the 15th May - the date of the meeting at which the report of the Law and Finance Committee would have been considered if reached on that day.

Boro' Surveyor's Report

Report of Borough Surveyor upon the work performed by his department during the past month, read. No order made.

Joseph Byrne Car Driver Licence renewed

Joseph Byrne appeared before the Council to explain his conduct when driving some gentlemen from Baltray and in respect of which his Licence had been revoked.

Upon his making a full apology and undertaking to apologise to Mr. Fallen J.P. the Council agreed to renew his license.

C. E. M'Cann's Retiring allowance Consent of Lord Lieutenant to

Communication from the Under Secretary, Dublin Castle, notifying the consent of the Lord Lieutenant to the Retiring Allowance of £35 per annum to Charles E. M'Cann, late Rate Collector, read, also letter from Mr. M'Cann thanking the Council for their action.

Roadway & Island's Cottages

An application from users of the roadway at the back of St. Mary's Cottages asking the Council to undertake its maintenance was read and referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

National Insurance Act

Circular Letters of the Board of Trade on the subject of the National Insurance act were submitted. No order made. Thos M'Cullough 19/6/12

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1912. June 19th.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 19th day of June 1912.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons & S. Jordan.
Councillors :- J. A. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. J. Callan, T. Reid, P. D. McIvor, J. Callaghan, D. Branigan, E. McArdle, P. Lynch, P. Tallan, J. Dolan, J. Berrill, J. Davis, J. A. Gannon, & T. V. MacQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Shops Act Inspector P. Weldon temporarily appointed

Report of Shops Act Committee read recommending the Council to temporarily appoint the Sanitary Sub Officer to discharge the duties of Inspector under the Act.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Mc Ardle, seconded by Councillor Noonan.

Erection of Gas Holder Tenders not considered

A Report from the Gas Works Committee relating to tenders for the erection of a Gas Holder &c. was not considered owing to an intimation from the Gas Works Manager that the Contractor whose tender had been ~~accepted~~ recommended declined to proceed with the work unless given an extension of time.

"Fair Green" Provision of

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Alderman Elcock moved :-

"That in the opinion of this Council a Fair Green is necessary and should be provided with the least possible delay; and it is hereby decided that such steps as may be necessary shall be taken to give effect to this Resolution."

Councillor Davis seconded.

On a division there voted :-

For the Motion – Aldermen Jordan & Elcock. Councillors – Mc Ardle McQuillan, Davis, Lynch, Berrill, Gannon, Clarke, Tallan, Callan, Callaghan, McIvor. (13.)

Against the Motion. Alderman Lyons. Councillors – Dolan, Reid & Branigan (4)

Councillor Noonan declines to vote.

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The Motion was declared carried.

Bar Inspector Motion to rescind

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Noonan moved –

That at the next meeting of the Council I shall move the rescinding of the resolution on the books adopting the following passage in the Law, Estate & Finance Committee's report, viz: "We unanimously recommend the Council to give effect to the decision arrived at by the Council in Committee on the 30th August 1910 to increase the salary of the School Attendance Officer, Mr Patrick Stanley, by £12 per annum in consideration of his discharging the duties of Bar Inspector."

Councillor Mc Ardle seconded.

~~On a division there~~ voted.

For the Motion – Alderman Elcock. Councillors – Noonan, Mc Ardle, McQuillan, Berrill, Clarke, Branigan, and The Mayor. (8)

Against the Motion – Alderman Jordan. Councillors – Davis, Lynch, Tallan, Callaghan, & McIvor. (6)

Councillors Dolan, Gannon, Callan & Reid declined to vote.

Motion not carried

The motion was declared not carried as a majority of members present had not voted in favour of it.

Shops Act Committee Couns. Branigan & Noonan appointed on

Pursuant to a Notice of Motion of Councillor Reid which was seconded by Councillor Mc Ivor, Councillors Noonan and Branigan were added to the Shops Act Committee.

Condolence Letter of thanks from Miss Curry

Letter read from Miss M. A. Curry, Academy Street, Navan, thanking the Council for their vote of condolence passed upon the death of her Uncle, the late Very Rev. John Curry, P.P.

Workmen's Dwellings L. G. B. Sanction to Loan of £5000

Communication ~~read~~ from the Local Government Board read sanctioning further loan of £5,000. for the erection of Workmen's Dwellings.

S. Henly & Sons Erection of 30 houses Platten Rd &c. 26 at Ann's Walk

Letter from Messrs S. Henly & Sons, Contractors, read agreeing to erect 30 houses at Platten Road and Duleek Street, and 26 houses at Ann's Walk under their Contract and in accordance with the terms of the Town Clerk's letter of the 24th May.

Public Park Reclamation of waste Lands along Railpark

Ordered that the Town Clerk do write to the Boyne Navigation Co. requesting permission to reclaim some waste land lying between the Canal

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1912. June 19th. Canal Trackway and fields at Ballsgrove, with the object of conversion into a public Pleasure Ground.

Matthw. & Ed. Murphy Erection of Shed at Francis Street.

A Committee consisting of Alderman Elcock, Councillor Callaghan, and the Borough Surveyor was appointed to inspect and report with regard to a Shed erected for Matthew and Edward Murphy at Francis Street.

Thos Mc Cullough 3/7/12

1912. July 3rd

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 3rd day of July 1912.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- J. Jordan and L.J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J.A.C. Noonan, P. Lynch, J.J. Callan, J. Callaghan, P.D. McIvor, T. Reid, J. Davis

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minuted — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Minuted Wages. Payments. — Wages sheet examined and signed.

Payments ordered: Borough Fund £171: 8: 2, Public Library account £15: 18: 1, Artizans Dwellings account £300.

Bellewstown Races meeting adjourned — On the motion of alderman Elcock seconded by Councillor Davis it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting for a fortnight Bellewstown Races being held on this day.

Thos Mc Cullough
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1912. July 17th

Minutes of an adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 17th day of July 1912.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. Jordan.
Councillors:- J.J. Callan, S. McArdle, J.A. Gannon, J. Clarke, J.A.C. Noonan, J. Dolan, J. Callaghan, J. Davis, P.D. McIvor, and T. Reid. J.V. McQuillan. P. Lynch and D. Branigan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minuted — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

P.J. Corcoran, Jas. St. Purchase of plot Old Corn Market Hill

Report of Law and Finance Committee read, intimating that Mr. P.J. Corcoran James street had made a proposal to purchase the interest of the Corporation in a plot of ground on the old Corn Market Hill which held under a Lease for 75 years recently granted at the yearly rent of £5, and recommending that the proposal be accepted on the basis of 25 years purchase of the rent, the costs to be borne by Mr. Corcoran.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Dolan seconded by Councillor Gannon.

Erection of Gasholder &c. New tenders to be invited

Report of Gas Works Committee read recommending that new Tenders be invited about January next for Gasholder &c as the contractor whose tender they had recommended for acceptance had notified he could not complete the work before February.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by Councillor Dolan

Tender for Gas Coal

Further Report of Gas Works Committee read recommending the acceptance of the Tender of the Wigan Coal and Iron Co. Limited for about 3000 tons of Coal at 12/9 per ton f.o.b. Garston.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor McArdle seconded by Councillor Gannon.

Communication from Alderman J.J. Maginn read tendering his

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Alderman J.J. Maginn Resignation of

his resignation as Alderman for West Gate Ward.

On the motion of Councillor Lynch seconded by Councillor Noonan it was unanimously Resolved to accept the resignation and to remit the usual fine.

V.y Rev. D. Flynn P.P Election on Committees in room of late V.y Rev. Canon

The Very Revd. Denis Flynn P.P. was elected a member of the old age Pensions, the Technical Instruction and Public Library Committees in room of the V.y. Revd. John Barry P.P. deceased.

Dublin Corpn. Stock Transmission of Dividend Warrants

On the motion of Councillor Callaghan, seconded by Councillor Branigan it was Resolved:-

"That the seal of the Corporation be this day affixed to a Request for the Transmission by Post of Dividend Warrants on Dublin Corporation Redeemable Stock to Peter P. Keeley, Borough Treasurer in lieu and in substitution of transmission ~~to~~ to the late Treasurer, Mr. James Curtis."

Mary & Jas. Maginn Execution of Agreement regarding Lough Killineer Reservoir

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to an Agreement with Mary Maginn and James Maginn of Manimore whereby leave and license are given to the Corporation to deposit on certain land on the Westside of their Killineer Reservoir stones, gravel, clay and other material excavated in the carrying out of improvements in said Reservoir, without any liability to remove the same and leave and license are given to said Mary Maginn and James Maginn to utilize, till and depasture with cattle certain land on the North side of said Reservoir without liability for rent

Housing of working Classes Conference Delegates to

The Mayor and Councillors Davis and Gannon with the Town Clerk were appointed delegates to a Conference with the Lord Lieutenant on the subject the housing of the working classes in Urban Districts.

Geo. Cooney, Beamore Rd. L.G.B's Sanction to Lease for 99 years.

Letter of the Local Government Board read, sanctioning the granting of a lease of premises on the Beamore Road to Mr. George Cooney for a term of 99 years at a rent of £2

Jno. Wm. Cullough
7/8/12.

1912.
August 7th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Dreghda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 7th day of August 1912.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- L. Jordan, L.J. Elcock, P. Lyons.
Councillors:- P. Drew, J.A.C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J.J. Callan, P. Lynch, J. Davis, J.A. Gannon, J. McGrane, J. Callaghan, P.D. McIvor, T. Reid, D. Branigan, J. Dolan, E. McArdle.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments Payments ordered: Borough Fund £602:17:1, Public Library £6:16:0 Cottages Loan £1000.

Borough Surveyor's Report

Report of Borough Surveyor upon the various works carried out or in course of being carried out since June 1st read.

No order made.

Cattle Weigh Bridge Tender of W. & T. Avery Ltd. for

Report of Law and Finance Committee read, recommending the acceptance of a Tender of Messrs. W. & T. Avery Ltd. at £73 for an extra heavy six ton Cattle Weighbridge fitted with patent Z steelyard for printing weights on tickets.

Jas. M. Murphy Fixing of Fair Rents not to be proceeded with

Recommending that the Corporation do not take the case of the fixing of a Fair Rent upon the holding of Jane M. Murphy to another court.

Workmens Compensation Insurance Premium to be dropped

Recommending that the Policy of Insurance under the Workmens' Compensation Acts be dropped in consequence of the high premium demanded and that the risk be assumed by the Corporation.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Magrane seconded by Councillor Clarke.

Town Tenants Convention Delegates to

The Mayor, Alderman Lyons, and Councillors Callaghan and Noonan were appointed delegates to the Town Tenants annual Convention.

Tenders for Hay

Four Tenders for Hay were submitted and were referred to a Committee consisting of the Mayor, Aldermen Jordan and Lyons and Councillors

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Councillors Lynch and Branigan.

Notice of Audit

Communication from Ed. P. McCarron, Local Government Auditor, read, intimating that he would commence the audit of the accounts of the Corporation for the year ending 31st March last on the 15th day of August 1912.

Tighe Ltd.
Permission to run Electric Wire Across Street

Application read from Tighe Ltd. for permission to run a wire for lighting purposes, 50 feet high, from their premises in John Street to their Bull Ring premises.

Permission was unanimously granted subject to the approval of the Borough Surveyor of the carrying out of the work.

Revision of Valuation
List of Tenements for

Lists of Tenements for Revision of Valuation and of Changes of Names of Occupiers were submitted and were approved.

Thos McCullough
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August 21st

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 21st day of August 1912.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- P. Drew.
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, T. Reid, J. Clarke, J. A. Gannon, J. Dolan, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Callaghan, P. D. McIvor, J. Berrill & J. McGrane.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read

Minutes
Wages

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Shops Act 1912
Order to be amended

A Report of the Town Clerk drawing attention to certain anomalies in the carrying out of the Weekly Half-Holiday Order made under the Shops Act 1912, was read. It was agreed to amend the Order as indicated in the Report.

Breaches of Bye-Laws

Report of Market Collector read intimating that Peter Fanning, Laurence Kirwan and Laurence Owens were each fined 1/- & 5/-, and Peter Kirk 1/- and 10/- Costs, for selling Fish on the public street; and that Mrs. Maryanne McArdle and James Toner were each fined 1/- & 10/- Costs for breaches of the Shops act.

Councillor Noonan moved a Notice of Motion standing in his name in relation to letters addressed otherwise than to Officials, but there being no seconder, the matter dropped.

Mrs. Kate Smyth, Coney Hall
Execution of Conveyance of premises Shop St.

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to a Conveyance unto Mrs. Kate Smyth of Coney Hall, Drogheda, of premises at the corner of Shop Street and Dyer Street, held by her under Lease No. 203 for ever, at the yearly rent of 10½d, for a consideration of £1.

Collection of Rates

Circular letter from the Local Government Board on the subject of the collection of Rates, read. No order made.

Post Office Secretary
Protest against appointment of English Official

On the motion of Councillor Callaghan, seconded by Councillor McGrane, it was unanimously resolved - "That this Council protests against the appointment of an English Official to the position of Secretary to the Post Office in Ireland."

Thos McCullough 4/9/12

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September 4th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 4th day of September 1912.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- L.J. Elcock, and S. Jordan.
Councillors:- J.A.B. Noonan, J. Clarke, E. Wardle, J. Dolan, J.V. McQuillan, P. Lynch, J. Callaghan, P.D. McIvor, T. Reid, J. McGrane, W.T. Heffington, J.J. Callan, and J.A. Gannon.

Minutes

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages sheet examined and passed.

Payments

Payments ordered: Borough Fund £1746-7-5.
Public Library account £4-4-0.

Alderman Drew Resignation of

Read, a communication from Alderman Drew tendering his resignation as Councillor for West Gate Ward.

It was unanimously agreed to accept the resignation and to remit the usual fine.

Rating of Railways &c

Circular letter read from the Town Clerk Strabane enclosing copy of a memorial of his Council to the Chief Secretary on the subject of the rating of railways &c.

The memorial was approved.

"Slobland's"
Board of Trade letter re

Communication from the Board of Trade in relation to the Slob Lands at St. James, read.

Ordered that the same be dealt with by the Committee in charge of the matter.

Workmen's Dwellings.
Draft Mortgage for Loan

Draft Mortgage to the Commissioners of Public Works for a Loan of £5000, under the Housing of the Working Classes acts submitted and approved.

Court House Keeper's Fee

A letter from the Secretary of the County Louth V.F. Insurance Committee on the subject of fees demanded by the Court House Keeper was read. The Town Clerk was instructed as to the reply.

Thos Mc Cullough 18/9/12

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September 18th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 18th day of September 1912.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- L.J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J.A.B. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. McGrane, J.V. McQuillan, P. Lynch, J. Dolan, J.J. Callan, P.D. McIvor, T. Reid, J. Callaghan and J.A. Gannon.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages sheet examined and passed.

Breach of Shops Act

Report of Market Collector read, intimating that Michael Moore, Sunday's late, had been fined 1/- and 10/- costs for a breach of the Shops act 1912; and that Peter Kirk, Blaylestead, had been fined 5/- with 10/- costs for a breach of the market Bye Laws.

Shops Act Order

Read, Report of Town Clerk suggesting that the only exception there should be to the Thursday weekly half holiday closing order under the Shops Act 1912, was a Fair Day.

Ordered that the suggestion be acted upon.

Boro' Surveyor's Report

Report of Borough Surveyor upon the various works under his control, read. No order made.

Price of Coke

Report of Gas Works Committee in relation to the advance in the price of Coke, read. No order made.

Rate Collector's Bond

Letter read from the Local Government Board on the subject of the Bond of the Rate Collector.

The Town Clerk was directed to send a full explanation of the matter.

Industrial Conference Delegates to.

Councillors McQuillan and McIvor were appointed to represent the Council at the 8th all-Ireland Industrial Conference.

Closing of Port to export of Live Stock

A Resolution protesting against the closing of the port to the export of live stock was proposed by Councillor Gannon, seconded by Councillor McQuillan and carried unanimously.

Thos Mc Cullough

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October 2nd

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 2nd day of October 1912.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons.

Councillors:- J. A. B. Noonan, J. V. McQuillan, J. A. Gannon, J. Callaghan, J. J. Callan, J. Berrill, J. McGrane, J. Reid and J. Dolan.

Minutes – The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Notice – The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Payments – Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £577:15:5.
Public Library £5:4:0.

Wages – Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Breaches of Shops Act – Report of Market Collector read intimating that the G.N. Railway Co. and Matthew McCullen Dublin Road had each been fined 1/- with 10/- costs for breaches of the Shops Act 1912.
No order made.

Boro' Surveyor's Report – Report of Borough Surveyor upon the various works under his control, read. No order made.

Drogheda Advertising Co Agreement for tenancy of Hoarding 24 Shop St. – The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to:- Agreement dated 18th July 1912 with the Drogheda Advertising Company Limited for a weekly tenancy of the hoarding space on the southern wall of the premises No. 24 Shop Street at two shillings per week.

to B. R. T. Balfour Conveyance to Corpn. of Magdalene Garden – Conveyance dated 25th March 1911 from B. A. T. Balfour Esq. Townley Hall Drogheda unto the Corporation of premises known as the Magdalene Garden situate on the West side of Magdalene Street, to be maintained as a Public Park for the benefit of the people of the town of Drogheda.

Michl. Card. Logue &c's Conveyance of plot Scarlet St. for School Teachers' residence – Conveyance from the Corporation unto Cardinal Logue, Rt. Rev. Mgr. P. Degrave, and Revd. John Lavelle, Parochial Trustees for the Roman Catholic Parish of St. Peters Drogheda, of a plot of ground on the North side of Scarlet Street for the purpose of erecting thereon a School Teachers Residence for the

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requirements of the National Schools of the Parish in consideration of the sum of Fifty Pounds (£50) paid to the Corporation.

Shops Act 1912 Opinion of Solicitor upon amendment of Order – It was decided to defer taking any action in relation to the amendment of the order made under the Shops act 1912 until the opinion of the Solicitor to the Corporation upon the position of the Corporation under the act had been obtained.

Housing & Town Planning Conference – Communication from the Housing and Town Planning Association of Ireland, inviting the Council to send delegates to a Conference on Housing and Town Planning, read.

Delegates appointed – The Mayor, Aldermen Elcock, Councillors:- Gannon, Callan, Reid, and Davis, the Borough Surveyor and the Town Clerk were appointed delegates.

Rate Collector's Bond – Letter read from J. F. McCann, Solicitor, on the subject of the Bond of the Rate Collector. No order made.

Solicitor's Bill of Costs – Further letter from Mr. McCann in relation to his costs, read. No order made.

Sale of Store Sheep Licence for – The Town Clerk was directed to apply for a License for the sale of store sheep on the 5th October.

Daylight Saving Bill – Arising out of a letter from Mr. Wm Willett the Town Clerk was directed to request Mr. J. Dolan M.P. to support the passage through Parliament of the Daylight Saving Bill.

Thos Mc Cullough 16/10/12

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October 16th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 16th day of October 1912.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– P. Drew, L.J. Elcock.

Councillors:– J.A.C. Noonan, J. Clarke, E. McArdle, J. Davis, J.A. Gannon, J. V. McQuillan, P. Lynch, J. Callaghan, P.D. McIvor, T. Reid, D. Branigan, L. Stanley, J.J. Callan, J. McGrane, and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Breaches of Bye-laws & Shops Act. Order

Report of Market Collector read, intimating that Jeremiah Forman had been fined 1/- with 10/- costs for selling fish from a cart on the public street, and that a case against Finegan Bros. under the Shops act had been adjourned.

No order made.

The Council next took into consideration the question of Revoking or amending their orders under the Shops Act 1912.

Shops Act 1912. Fixing of weekly Half Holiday

The Opinion of the Solicitor to the Corporation upon the position of the Council under the act was read together with communications from the local Shop Assistants Associations.

After considerable discussion had taken place Councillor Davis moved and Councillor McQuillan seconded:–

"That the several resolutions of this Council fixing the day and hour for the weekly half-holiday under the Shops act 1912 be and are hereby rescinded, and that as from this date the following Order shall take effect in lieu thereof:–

"That in pursuance of the Shops act 1912, we, the Corporation of Drogheda in exercise of the powers conferred by the said act do hereby order and direct that all shops within the Borough save those expressly excluded by the second schedule to the said act shall be closed for the serving of customers at one o'clock in the afternoon on Thursday of each week throughout the

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year – except when a Fair Day shall fall upon a Thursday and then the Shops shall be closed on Tuesday instead, – and such day shall be recognised as the weekly Half-Holiday.

"This order shall apply to all persons engaged in the sale of meat, two-thirds of the persons engaged in such trade or business having expressed a desire to this effect.

"Saturday may be substituted for Thursday as required by the said Act."

Motion put and declared carried.

Frozen Meat Feeding of Troops in Ireland with

A Resolution of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Louth on the subject of the feeding of troops in Ireland with frozen meat was read and adopted.

Jno Mc Cullough
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November 6th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 6th day of November 1912.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, L.J. Mcock,
Councillors:- J.A.B. Noonan, J. Clarke, E. McArdle, P. Lynch, J.A. Gannon, J. McGrane, J. Callaghan, J. Bennett, A.D. McIvor, T. Reid, W.J. Heffington, J.J. Callan, J.V. McQuillan and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Confirmed

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments Ordered

Payments Ordered: Borough Fund £902:12:6.
Public Library £ 9:5:7
Artizans Dwellings £650:0:0.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Shops Act Breaches of

Report of Market Collector read, intimating that Patrick, Andrew, and Francis Finegan had each been fined 6/- with 3/4 costs for non compliance with the Weekly Half-Holiday Closing Order, and James Finegan 1/- and 10/- costs for a like offence.

Borough Surveyors Report

Report of Borough Surveyor upon the various works under his control, read. No order made.

Auditors Report 1912

The Report of the Local Government Auditor upon his Audit of the Accounts of the Corporation for the financial year ended 31st March 1912 was read. No order made.

Mr. Mansfield National School Teacher Protest against dismissal of

On the motion of Councillor McQuillen, seconded by Councillor Heffington it was unanimously Resolved.

"That this Council strongly protests against the action of the Commissioners of National Education in dismissing Mr. Mansfield Vice President of the Irish National Teachers Organization for having the courage of his convictions in criticising the Board and its Officers; and in view of the recent charges

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charges made against the Board of Education by prominent ex officials, and of the present state of public opinion in Ireland we demand Mr. Mansfields re-instatement and a full enquiry into the whole working of the Board."

Housing Loan Execution of Mortgage for sum of £5000

On the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor McGrane it was unanimously Resolved:

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of five thousand pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) acts 1890 to 1908 and the incorporated amending or extending acts".

The Corporate Seal having been affixed, and the Deed of Mortgage duly executed, Councillor Heffington moved and alderman Lyons seconded:

Housing Loan Requisitions for advances.

"That inasmuch as this Council does not immediately require from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland the total amount of the sum mentioned in the Deed of Mortgage to them this day executed by this Council, but prefer to receive the same by instalments as occasion may require, it is Resolved that the Requisitions for each advance shall be intimated to said Commissioners by the Chairman of this Council for the time being, countersigned by J.D. Donnelly Town Clerk. and that each such requisition shall be forwarded to the Accountant of said Commissioners and that all such advances shall be lodged to our Account as Drogheda Corporation Artizans Dwellings Loan account in the Drogheda Branch of the Bank of Ireland". Motion put and carried.

Rate Collectors lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates approved

The Rate Collectors Lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for the half year ending 30th September amounting to £28:12:0 and £66:16:3 Consolidated Rate, and £56:0:5 and £27:6:10 Sanitary Rate were submitted and approved.

Letter of thanks from Councillor Davis for vote of Condolence

A letter was read from Councillor Davis thanking the Council for their vote of condolence.

Letter read from A. J. Mitchell, Distillery, enquiring if

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if it was the intention of the Corporation "to create a fourth unsanitary Cattle Market" No order made.

P.J. Corcoran
L.G.B's consent

Read, a letter from the Local Government Board assenting to the proposed sale to Mr. P.J. Corcoran of premises on Old Corn Market Hill.

Joseph Dwyer
Proposal to purchase premises

A proposal of Mr. Joseph Dwyer to purchase his premises at the Bull Ring was read and ordered to be brought before the Law and Finance Committee.

John Moore
Building Lease of premises Dullack St.

An application of Mr. John Moore for a building lease of premises Dullack Street was read and ordered to be laid before the Law and Finance Committee.

Sloblands Conveyance

A Communication from the Board of Trade in relation to the proposed conveyance of land at St. James was referred to the sub-committee appointed to deal with the matter.

Waste Land along Rampart
Committee appointed to deal with.

A Committee consisting of Alderman Lyons and Councillors M'Ivor, Fannon and Ballan was appointed to deal with the proposed reclamation of the waste land along the rampart.

Hw Mc Cullough 20/11/12

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 20th day of November 1912.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Councillors and Aldermen:– J.A.L. Keenan, J. Clarke, E. Ward, J.A. Fannon, J. M'Crane, J. Dolan, J.V. M'Quillan, P. Lynch, L. Stanley, J.J. Ballan, J. Reid, P.S. M'Ivor, J. Callaghan, and W.J. Heffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Fire Brigade
Boro' Surveyor's Report on

Report of Borough Surveyor upon the present condition of the Fire Brigade, read.

Ordered that the matter be referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Gas Supply
Diminution in pressure of

A Report of the Secretary and Manager of the Gas Works Department upon the diminution in the pressure of the Gas Supply on the 2nd and 3rd November was read.

Ordered that Mr. Baville C.E. and the Borough Surveyor do confer and report thereon.

Change of hours of meetings of Council & Sanitary Authority

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor M'Crane moved – "That the meetings of the Council and of the Urban Sanitary Authority be held at the hour of 11 a.m. instead of at noon as at present." The motion having been seconded by Councillor Reid was put and declared carried.

Shops Act
Order exempting Coal trade under

At the request of the Navigation Coal Co.; Finegan Bros.; and the Drogheda Coal Co. the following Order was made upon the motion of Councillor Ballan, seconded by Councillor M'Ivor:–

"That we the Corporation of Drogheda in exercise of the provisions of the Shops Act, 1912, do hereby exempt from the provisions of the said Act requiring them to close their Shops on the day selected by us for the weekly Half-Holiday, all persons engaged in the sale of Coal, we being satisfied that a majority of the persons engaged in such trade or business desire to be so exempted."

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A communication from the Drapers' Assistants' Association in relation to the closing of shops for the Christmas holidays was referred to the Shops Act Committee.

Vote of Condolence
Letter of thanks from P. Tallan

Letter read from Councillor P. Tallan thanking the Council for their vote of Condolence.

Michael Sampson
application for sale of holding

A letter from Michael Sampson, Platten Road, suggesting a sale to him of his holding was referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Railway Rates

Circular-Letter from the Town Clerk of Armagh on the subject of Railway Rates read.
The Town Clerk was instructed to send a sympathetic reply.

Rate Collector's Lists of Arrears Lost Rates & L.G.B.'s approval

Communication from the Local Government Board read, returning the Rate Collector's lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for the half year ending 30th September, approved.

Thos Mc Cullough 4/12/12

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December 4th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the fourth day of December 1912.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:—
Councillors:— J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. McGrane, P. Lynch, J. Davis, J. Dolan, J. Callaghan, P. McIvor, L. Stanley, J. J. Callan, T. Reid, W. J. Heffington and J. V. McQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages
Payments

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.
Payments ordered: Borough Fund £1737:1:11.
Public Library account £5:5:0.

Ald. Hoey
Disqualification through non-attendance

Report of Town Clerk read intimating the disqualification of Alderman Hoey through non-attendance.
Ordered that Mr. Hoey be asked for an explanation of his absence.

Lawrence Grant
Lease of premises
Dyer St.

Report of Law and Finance Committee read, intimating that as Mr. Thomas McCann had failed to comply with the conditions specified for the letting to him of premises Dyer Street the negotiations were terminated and an application for such premises from Mr. Laurence Grant was considered. And recommending that the latter be granted a lease for thirty one years at the yearly rent of £8, upon the condition that the premises be put into a thorough state of repair to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor and that all costs incident to seeking a license for the premises be borne by Mr. Grant.

Horse Feeding Stuffs

That the tender of Mr. Peter Reilly, West Street, being the lowest received, for the supply and delivery to 31st October next of White Oats and Crushed White Oats at 16/- and 15/6 per barrel respectively and White Bran at 8/ per cwt., and a tender of John Clarke, Mell, for Straw at 2/10 per cwt. had been accepted.

Hay & Straw
Purchase of

That the Borough Surveyor had been given instructions for the purchase of such further quantities of Hay and Straw as might

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Provisional Valuations
Forms not to be filled up

might be required.

That a number of communications and forms had been received from the General valuation Office and the Stamps and Taxes Office on the subject of Provisional Valuations under section 27 of the Finance act 1910, which they had directed should not be filled as Rating Authorities are exempt from rating on Land Values.

Sisters of Charity
Permission to put windows in National School

And that permission had been granted to the Sisters of Charity to put in two windows in their Convent looking on the yard of the Market Collector's house and close to the ceiling of the School.

The report was adopted unanimously.

Municipal Authorities Association
Formation of

Circular Letters from Mr. R. Finlay Heron Hon. Secretary (pro tem), on the subject of the proposed formation of a General Council representing the Municipal Authorities in Ireland, read, together with a communication from the Local Government Board enclosing copy of an Order made under the Public Health and Local Conferences act 1885 in connection therewith.

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor McGrane it was unanimously Resolved:-

That the Mayor and the Town Clerk be and are hereby appointed to attend and represent this Council at the Conference in Dublin on the 11th December 1912 and following day on the subject of the formation of a General Council of Municipal authorities in Ireland, and that the reasonable expenses incurred by their attendance and of purchasing copies of the Report of such Conference shall be borne by this Council.

Concreting

Upon her application it was agreed to put upon the concreting schedule for next season the footpath in front of a new house erected by Mrs. Jane Carroll in Duleek Street.

L. & Y. Railway Co.
Reclamation of Swamp along Ramparts

Letter read from H. Marriott, L. & Y. Railway Co. on the subject of the proposed reclamation of a narrow strip of swamp along the rampart.

The same was considered satisfactory.

Wm McCullough 18/12/12

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December 18th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 18th day of December 1912.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:-

Councillors:- J. McD. Doran, J. Clarke, Ev. McArdle, J. McGrane, Y. V. McQuillan, J. Davis, J. A. Gannon, J. Dolan, J. Gallagher, P. McTrust, J. Callan, P. Callan, L. Stanley, P. Lynch & W. T. Skeffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Town Clerk's Report on Bye-laws prosecutions

A Report of the Town Clerk as follows was read and referred to the Bye-Laws & Markets Committee:-

Town Clerk's Office,
Court House, Drogheda,
10th December, 1912.

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

At the Petty Sessions held on the 9th December prosecutions were brought against three Clogherhead Fishermen for exposing Fish for sale in Shop Street instead of in the Fish Market. The proceedings were taken because of a direction of the Council that any Fisherman who took up a stand in Shop Street either with a Cart or a Basket should be proceeded against.

One defendant had been convicted about a half-a-dozen times previously and the present prosecution was for a like offence to that for which he was convicted on two previous occasions. A fine of 10/- was inflicted and 5/- costs were awarded. The other cases were dismissed on the merits, the Magistrates, some of whom are Members of the Corporation, appearing to be under the impression that there was a misunderstanding.

A prosecution was brought under the Shops Act against a Butcher, Mr. Patrick Reilly of West Street, for not closing his Shop for the serving of customers at 1 o'clock upon Thursday the 5th December. In this case when the Inspector called upon Mr. Reilly the latter stated he was having the inside of his Shop painted; the Inspector informed him that if he closed the door he would be quite satisfied and went away. Mr. Weldon came back in half-an-hour to find

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find the door still open, and when he asked Mr. Reilly to have it closed the latter refused to do so. The Magistrates asked the Solicitor to the Corporation to withdraw this prosecution, but inflicted a fine of one penny and 2/ costs, as Mr. McCann intimated he had no authority to withdraw.

The costs incurred in the proceedings amount to £3:16:8 and the costs allowed by the Magistrates to 7/.

I instructed the Inspector to bring these prosecutions upon the direction of the Council in regard to the sale of Fish and a direction of the Shops Act Committee that proceedings should be brought in all cases where I considered there was a clear violation of the spirit of the Act. Having regard however to the result of the proceedings and to the fact that two of the four Magistrates on the Bench were Members of the Corporation perhaps in future it would be better for the Inspector to report each case to the Council for instructions.

A further prosecution was brought against Thomas Sullivan, North Road, for exposing for sale in a stall in the Meat Market Meat provided to be unfit for human food.

Sullivan and others, who are not regularly engaged in the trade, rent such stalls as weekly tenants from the Corporation; It is significant that they do not keep the Stalls open regularly or even upon fixed days. It would be only fair to persons who are properly and regularly engaged in the sale of Meat and who pay rent and rates that these stalls should be closed, and if they were the risk of the sale of unsound meat to the poor would be lessened.

Your obedient Servant
J. B. Connolly, Town Clerk.

The following Report of the Waterworks Committee was read:

Gentlemen,

Waterworks Report
Fishing Licences

Arising out of certain suggestions contained in a report of the Town Clerk we have decided to alter the fee for Fishing Licences for the Reservoirs and in future a license will be issued for both Reservoirs at an inclusive fee of 5/- per annum and a day licence for either Reservoir will be issued at 1/-.

Joseph Kearns appointed to collect Water Accounts

Experience has shown that the arrangement for the collection of both Gas and Water Accounts by Mr. James Gorman was not quite satisfactory, the Gas Works Committee being of the opinion that the Gas Collection was hampered by the duties which Mr. Gorman had to perform for the Water Works Committee. We accordingly decided to relieve Mr. Gorman of this duty.

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duty and to have it carried out by Mr. Joseph Kearns, Town Clerk's Assistant, whose remuneration for such work we have fixed at 5/ per week.

G.N.R. agreement
Counsel's Opinion
to be taken on

In the settlement - which was entirely satisfactory - of the question of the payment of Rates with the Great Northern Railway Co. certain points were raised in regard to the striking of rates and we propose to take the opinion of Counsel thereon.

Dated 11th December, 1912.

Thomas McCullough, Chairman.

Councillor Callan proposed and Councillor Stanley seconded that the report be adopted.

Councillor Bryuch proposed as an amendment and Councillor McGrane seconded that the report be referred back to the Water Works Committee.

There being only the proposer and seconder in favour of the amendment the resolution was declared carried.

Whitworth Hall
Sale of

Letter read from the Secretary, Whitworth Hall, Drogheda, suggesting that a Committee of the Corporation would meet his Trustees with a view to a sale of the Whitworth Hall.

The matter was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Officers' Clothing

Upon his application the Sergeant-at-Mace was granted a suit of clothes.

Sloblands
Conveyance

Letter read from Joseph Nolan M.P. intimating that Mr. Pelham of the Board of Trade had promised to favourably consider the proposals of the Corporation in relation to the proposed Conveyance of land at St. James's.

Ald. Hoey
Explanation of absence from meetings accepted

Letter read from Alderman Hoey intimating that owing to pressure of work his absence from the meetings of the Council was unavoidable, and that he hoped to do better in future.

On the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by Councillor McGrane the explanation was accepted.

Thos McCullough 23/1/13

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Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Monday the 30th December 1912.

Special Business:

(1) To fix the Rents of the new Workmen's Dwellings at Platten Road and Duleek Street.

(2) To approve, if considered advisable so to do, of the acceptance by the Gas Works Committee of a fresh tender for the erection &c. of the new Gasometer already decided upon by the Council.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- L. I. Elcock.

Councillors:- J. M. Noonan, J. Clarke, P. Lynch, Rev. M. Meade, J. McGrane, Y. V. MacQuillan, J. Davis, P. D. McIvor, J. Callaghan, T. Reid, J. J. Callan & L. Stanley.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Condolences

On the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Alderman Elcock a vote of condolence was passed with the family of the late Dr. J. V. Byrne; and on the motion of Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Callan, a vote of condolence was passed with Alderman Jordan and his family.

Housing Scheme

Report of the Town Clerk giving particulars of the various Housing Schemes of the Corporation read.

The report showed that the houses recently erected at Platten Road and Duleek Street would, if set at rents of 2/10 per week each, result in a loss of £37: 2: 6

Fixing rent of houses Duleek St. & Platten Rd ✓

Councillor Stanley proposed and Councillor McGrane seconded that the rents of the houses be fixed at 2/9 per week.

Councillor Davis proposed and Alderman Elcock seconded that the rents be fixed at 2/10 per week.

On a division there voted for:-

Rents fixed at 2/9 per week ✓

2/9 per week	2/10 per week
Councillors:- Stanley, McGrane, Meade, McQuillan, Lynch, Clarke & Reid (7)	Alderman Elcock. Councillors:- Davis, Callaghan, Callan & McIvor (5)

Councillor Noonan declined to vote.

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The resolution fixing the rents at 2/9 per week was declared carried.

Upon the motion of Councillor Lynch seconded by Councillor Reid the Council unanimously agreed to transact the remaining business in Committee.

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read, together with the following covering letter:-

Gas Works, Drogheda.
16th December, 1912

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

Report of Gas Committee re Gasholder Contract

Gasholder Contract

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the following tenders for Gasholder and Steel Tank in accordance with Specification &c. previously before you.

Tender accepted ✓

No. 1.	£3,432. 10. 0
2.	3,870.
3.	3,267.
4.	3,670.
5.	3,754
6.	3,260.
7.	3,052.
8.	3,448.
9.	3,443.
10.	3,234.
11.	3,050.
12.	2,836.

We recommend the acceptance of number 11. at £3,050, being that of Messrs Hanna, Donald & Wilson of Paisley.

Thomas McCullough, Chairman.

Gas Works, Drogheda.
16th December 1912.

Mr. J. B. Connolly,
Town Clerk, Drogheda.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find report from Gas Committee recommending

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recommending acceptance of tender for Gasholder &c. It is necessary that the tender for Holder &c. be accepted at the earliest date, as the advance in iron &c. is quite phenomenal, and is still in the upward direction, furthermore deliveries are bad, and the sooner the work is put in hand, so much less danger of delay in completion will arise.

Yours faithfully,
Hy. Saville, Secretary.

On the motion of Councillor Mc Ivor, seconded by Councillor McGrane, it was unanimously decided to adopt the report, and to accept the tender of Messrs Hanna, Donald & Wilson of Paisley, the Council, having heard explanations, being of the opinion it was undesirable to accept the lowest tender.

Jno Mc Callaghan 23/1/13

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January 23rd.

Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at the hour of noon on Thursday the twenty third day of January 1913.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. Jordan, P. Drew, P. Lyons and J. F. Hoey.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, T. V. McQuillan, L. McArdle, J. A. Gannon, J. McGrane, J. Davis, J. Dolan, P. Lynch, J. Callaghan, P. D. McIvor, J. J. Callan, T. Reid, L. Stanley, P. Tallan, J. Branigan, W. J. Keffington, J. Berrill and J. A. McSweeney.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Councillor Lynch proposed and Alderman Lyons seconded, that Councillor John Callaghan be elected to the Office of Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1914.

Councillor Callan proposed and Councillor McArdle seconded that Councillor T. V. MacQuillan be elected.

On a Poll there voted for:-

Callaghan.	MacQuillan.
Aldermen – Hoey, Lyons.	Aldermen:- Jordan, Drew.
Councillors:- Noonan, McGrane, Davis, Clarke, Lynch, Tallan, Branigan, Berrill, Reid, McIvor, OKeffington. (13.)	Councillors:- McArdle, Dolan, Gannon, Callan, Stanley. (7.)

Councillor Callaghan — Elected Mayor year ending Jany. 1914

Councillor Callaghan was declared elected, and having made a Declaration of acceptance of Office, taken the Oaths appertaining to the Office of Mayor and of Justice of the Peace, and been invested by the outgoing Mayor with the Chain of Office took the Chair.

A Vote of Thanks to the outgoing Mayor was proposed by Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor McGrane and was unanimously carried.

Home Rule Bill — Vote of congratulation upon passing of

A congratulatory Message to Mr. J. E. Redmond upon the passing of the Home Rule Bill, ~~was~~ proposed by Councillor OKeffington and seconded by Councillor MacQuillan, was put and carried unanimously.

Adjournment

It was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting until Wednesday the 29th January at noon.

Jno Callaghan

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Minutes of an adjourned Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 29th day of January 1913.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– S. Jordan, T. McCullough, and P. Lyons.

Councillors:– J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. McGrane, J. A. Gannon, C. McArdle, J. Davis, P. D. McIvor, J. J. Callan, P. Lynch, L. Stanley, W. T. Skeffington, and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and Signed.

Fixing dates of Quarterly Meetings

On the motion of Councillor McGrane, seconded by Councillor Skeffington it was Resolved:–

"That the remaining Quarterly Meetings of this Council for the year ending 23rd January 1914 shall be held at 11 o'clock in the forenoon upon the first Wednesdays of April, July and October."

Election of Committees

The following Committees were appointed to serve for the year ending 23rd January 1914 with the Mayor on all Committees:–

Bye Laws and Markets Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, Elcock, McCullough.

Councillors:– McIvor, Callan, Branigan, Noonan, Berrill.

Law and Finance Committee:

Aldermen:– Jordan

Councillors:– Dolan, Lynch, Stanley, Davis, Callan, Drew, Clarke.

Gas Works Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, Elcock, McCullough.

Councillors:– Callan, McIvor, Lynch, Drew, Reid.

Water Works Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, Elcock, Jordan.

Councillors:– Callan, Berrill, McIvor, Noonan, McQuillan.

Technical Instruction and Public Library Committee:

Aldermen:– McCullough.

Councillors:– McArdle, Skeffington, Lynch, Reid, McQuillan.

Reverend:– Archdeacon Segrave, Canon Ledoux, Fr. Flynn, T. R. Brunskill.

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Messrs:– W. J. D. Walker, M. A. Casey.

Housing Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, Jordan, Hoey, ~~McCullough~~

Councillors:– Davis, Callan, Stanley, Lynch, Skeffington, ~~McQuillan, McArdle, Branigan, Noonan~~

Shops Act Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, Elcock, McCullough.

Councillors:– Davis, McQuillan, McArdle, Branigan, Noonan.

A vacancy in the old age Pensions Committee was filled by the selection of Councillor McGrane.

Borough Coroner Position of

Report of Town Clerk read, intimating that the position of Borough Coroner held by the late Dr. J. V. Byrne was vacant.

That the Council if they so desired could make a new appointment of a separate Coroner for the Borough, but if they were of opinion a separate Coroner was unnecessary then the County Coroner was to act.

The report was referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Taking over of Roadway at Cromwell's Mount

A letter of A. B. Cairnes, Hon. Sec. Cairnes Cottage Trust, on the subject of the taking over of the roadway at the back of Cromwells Mount was referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Slobland's Conveyance

A letter from the Assistant Secretary Board of Trade in relation to the proposed Conveyance of the Slobland at St. James was read and referred to the joint Committee dealing with the matter.

Cut-Outs on Motor Cycles

Amended Regulations of the Local Government Board prohibiting the use of Cut-Outs on Motor Cycles were submitted. No order made.

Shops Act Exemption of A. Murdock & Sons

At their request it was unanimously agreed to exempt Messrs. A. Murdock & Sons Ltd. from the obligation to close their Timber Yard and Saw mills for the weekly half holiday under the Shops Act.

Leases sealed to: Jno. Callaghan & Ml. McQuaile

Leases were this day sealed unto John Callaghan Shop Street and Michael McQuaile West Street of premises on the North side of Bachelors Lane and the North side of West Street respectively. 5 July. 1913 Jno Callaghan

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February 5th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the fifth day of February 1913.

Present:

In the chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. Drew, L. J. Elcock,
Councillors:– J. A. L. Nooran, J. Clarke, E. Wearde, J. A. Gannon, T. V. MacQuillan, J. J. Callan, J. Dolan, J. Berrill, J. Reid, W. J. Heffington, P. Lynch and J. McShane.

Notice
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Payments
Wages

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Payments ordered: Borough Fund £916:7:4 Public Library £
Wages sheet examined and signed.

Home Rule Bill
Resolution of protest at rejection by House of Lords

A Resolution of Protest against the action of the House of Lords in rejecting the Home Rule Bill was proposed by Councillor MacQuillan, seconded by alderman Drew and carried unanimously.

Resolution of Congratulation to Nationalists of Derry.

On the motion of Councillor Heffington, seconded by Councillor McShane, a Resolution of Congratulation to the Nationalists of Derry upon the return of a Home Ruler to represent them in Parliament, was unanimously passed.

Votes of Condolence
Acknowledgment of

Acknowledgments from Alderman Jordan and Mrs. J. V. Byrne of the Votes of Condolence passed with them, were read.

Municipal Authorities
Delegates to Conference

A Communication from the Hon. Secy. of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland upon the subject of reforms in the existing Municipal Law and requesting the Council to appoint two delegates to the Association's conference, read.

The Mayor and Councillor Davis with the Town Clerk were unanimously chosen as delegates and it was agreed to depute to them the drawing up of a Statement of the most pressing reforms in the existing Municipal Law.

Subscription

A further communication from the Association asking the Corporation to lodge with its Treasurer a subscription for the year ending 31st December 1913, was read.

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On the motion of Councillor Lynch seconded by Councillor Dolan it was decided to subscribe £2:2:0

Local Conferences (U.D.) Order 1913

Circular letter from the Local Government Board, transmitting copies of the Local Conferences (Urban Districts) Order 1913. No order.

Reclaiming of Land along Rampart

Letter read from H. Marriott, L & Y. Railway Co., in relation to the proposal of the Corporation to reclaim a narrow strip of swamp along the Rampart.

The matter was referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

National Health Insurance Act
Room in Court House for Auditor

It was unanimously decided to place at the disposal of Auditors of the Local Government Board a room in the Court House for conducting audits of accounts of societies under the National Health Insurance Act.

Way-Leaves
Telephone Poles

A Letter from the Secretary, General Post Office, London, on the subject of Way-Leaves was read. No order made.

Alderman Hoey
Resignation

Letter read from alderman J. J. Hoey tendering his resignation as an alderman for Fair Gate ward.

Upon the motion of Councillor Nooran seconded by Councillor Gannon it was agreed to accept the resignation and to remit the usual fine.

Jno. Callaghan
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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 19th day of February 1913.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Lyons.
Councillors:- J. A. Conran, W. T. Skeffington, J. McGrane, J. A. Gannon, E. Mc Ardle, J. Davis, T. F. MacQuillan, J. Berrill, P. D. McIvor, J. Reid, J. Hallan, J. Dolan, J. Clarke

Notice Minutes Wages

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Boro' Surveyor's Report

Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work performed by his Department for the past quarter read.

No order made.

Market & Shops Act Inspector's Report

Reports of Market and Shops Act Inspector intimating offences against the Market Bye laws and the Shops Act, read.

Ordered that the Inspector do use his discretion in all such cases instead of reporting them for instructions.

Annual report of School Attendance Committee as follows read:

Gentlemen,

Your Committee desire to report upon the work performed by them during the year which ended on the 31st December last.

Annual Report of School Attendance Committee.

In that period 88 Warning Notices (first and second) and 20 Final Notices were served; 9 Attendance Orders were sought for and obtained; 5 prosecutions were brought and the full penalty inflicted in each case.

By comparing the number of Warning with the number of Final Notices it will be apparent that in the vast majority of cases the Warning Notices proved effective. In response to the serving of the Final Notices the Parents attended and we heard their explanations. As the result of the advice tendered by your Committee it was only necessary to seek for 9 Attendance Orders. As showing that the latter had the desired effect the extreme step of applying for a fine was

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was only taken in 5 cases.

The attendance throughout the various Schools has been well maintained notwithstanding the fact that after putting the Act into operation the attendance increased from 2,241 to 2,642. This increase was described by the Commissioners of National Education in their Annual Report as one of the most successful of the results of putting the Act into operation.

The present minimum attendance is 81%, the maximum 90%, and the average 85%. The Resident Commissioner of National Education, Dr. Starkie, stated in Belfast recently that Carlow, with an average attendance of 87% was the best in Ireland. Your Committee attribute the striking improvement in Drogheda to the assiduity and tact of the School Attendance Officer, Mr. Shanley.

Dated 18th February 1913.

Lt. Paul T. Ledoux, Chairman.

The Report was considered satisfactory.

Housing Committee Report Erection of Houses at Bredin St

Report of Housing Committee read recommending the erection by the Contractors, Messrs. J. Stenly & Sons, of Workmens' Dwellings upon the sites on the north and south sides of Bredin Street according to an amended plan and specification at £120 per house, the site on the north side to be acquired from Mr. P. Cummins, Kelly's Lane, upon terms set out in an agreement provisionally entered into by the Town Clerk; the site on the south side being in the hands of the Corporation to be cleared by the Distress Committee, and recommending that the rents of the Dwellings be fixed at 2/9 per week. The report further recommended that as a garden would be provided with each house Yards and division walls were unnecessary, the W. C. being under the roof of the house and there being no out offices.

Councillor Conran proposed and Councillor Skeffington seconded that the recommendation as to the fixing of the rents be deleted from the report.

A Division was taken when there voted:

For the Motion:
Councillors:- Skeffington, Conran, McGrane, McQuillan, McArdle, Gannon, Dolan, Berrill, McIvor & Reid (10)

Against the motion:
Alderman Lyons
Councillors:- Davis & Hallan (3)

The motion was declared carried.

Exception

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Exception being taken to the proposal to dispense with Yeas and division walls it was unanimously agreed that the Housing Committee should re-consider the matter.

Councillor Davis thereupon moved and Councillor Gannon seconded that the report as amended be adopted. Motion put and declared carried.

Whitworth Hall Corporation to acquire

Read a Report of the Law & Finance Committee recommending that the Corporation should accept an offer of the Trustees of the Whitworth Hall to vest the Hall with its furniture and accessories in the Corporation, upon the condition that the latter would assume the liabilities of the Trustees, and further recommending that the Solicitor to the Corporation should be asked to advise as to whether the Trustees were in a position legally to carry out their offer, and that the Local Government Board should be asked for their Sanction to the proposal.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor McArdle seconded by Councillor Gannon.

Public Lighting
Report of Gas Committee

A Report of the Gas Works Committee upon the question of Public Lighting was read, and referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Rent of Workmen's Dwellings Platten Rd

Letter of the Local Government Board read enclosing copy of a communication received from Thomas McCann and others in relation to the rents of the Workmen's Dwellings at Platten Road and Duleek St.

Ordered that the Town Clerk do report thereon.

Home Rule Bill
Delegates to Protest meeting

Letter read from the Secretary of the A.O.H. Drogheda, requesting the Council to appoint representatives to organize a meeting of protest against the action of the House of Lords in rejecting the Home Rule Bill.

The Mayor, Aldermen Lyons, and Councillors Skeffington and Reid were appointed for the purpose.

Passway at McCullen's Dublin Road

A Memorial praying that the Corporation should maintain a Passway at Mr. McCullen's from Dublin Road to the Marsh Road was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Relief of Distress
Correspondence with J. Nolan M.P.

The Town Clerk read correspondence which had passed between himself and Mr Joseph Nolan M.P. in regard to the relief of Distress.

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March 5th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 5th day of March 1913.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Drew, J. McCullough, P.B. Moore, L.J. Elcock, O. Lyons
Councillors:- J. Clarke, E. McArdle, J. Davis, T.V. MacMillan, J. Berrill, P.D. McIvor, T. Reid, J.J. Callan, L. Stanley, W.T. Skeffington, D. Branigan, J. Dolan, Jas. Noonan, J.A. Gannon.

Notice
Minutes
Payments

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments ordered: Borough Fund £2023:14:14; Artizan's Dwellings Loan Acc. £790:16:4; Public Library £104:15:7.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Rent of Dwellings Platten Rd
Report of Town Clerk re

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A Report of the Town Clerk in reply to the communication received from the Local Government Board, signed by Thomas McCann and others of Duleek Street in relation to the rents fixed for the new Artizans Dwellings at the corner of Platten Road and Duleek Street, was read.

No order made.

Petty Sessions Cases
Report of Solicitor

Read a report of the Solicitor to the Corporation upon the result of proceedings brought at Petty Sessions under the Dairies & Milkshops Act, the Drogheda Corporation Act 1896 (infringement of Bye laws) and the Shops Act 1912.

The Town Clerk was directed to summon a meeting of the Shops Act Committee to consider the advisability of giving directions to the Shops Act Inspector in regard to certain trades affected by the Act.

P.J. Corcoran & Jno. J. Corcoran
Conveyance executed to

A Conveyance unto Patrick J. Corcoran and John J. Corcoran both of James's Street, Drogheda, of premises upon the west side of Old Corn Market Hill, demised to one John Corcoran by Lease dated the 18th December 1901, for a consideration of £25. was this day duly executed and sealed.

The suspension of the Standing Orders having been moved by Alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor Callan, and unanimously agreed to, Councillor Noonan moved, and Alderman Elcock seconded

That

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"That advertisements be issued for the election of Coroner for the Borough of Drogheda on this day fortnight, March 19th, at a salary of £25 per annum."

Motion put and carried unanimously.

Upon the motion of Councillor Skeffington seconded by Councillor Davis it was unanimously resolved:-

Housing of the Working Classes act State aid for

"That this Corporation is of opinion that until adequate State Aid is provided, the question of the proper Housing of the Working Classes cannot be satisfactorily disposed of, the experience of the various Local Authorities in Ireland having shown conclusively that it is not possible for them under existing conditions to provide Housing accommodation at rents which workers can pay without inflicting a very heavy annual loss upon the ratepayers"

G. N. R. Agreement for laying Gas pipes through Co's. premises

A Report of the Gas Works Committee recommending the execution by the Council of an Agreement with the Great Northern Railway Co. permitting the laying of Mains through the Company's ~~premises~~ property was read and adopted, and the Agreement was thereupon executed.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at the hour of eleven o'clock a.m. on Wednesday the 19th day of March 1913.

Present.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. Drew, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. B. Moore and F. Lyons.

Councillors:- J. Clarke, P. Lynch, T. V. Macquillan, J. A. Gannon, E. McArdle, J. Dolan, P. D. McIvor, T. Reid, D. Branigan, J. Berrill, P. Tallan, L. Stanley, W. T. Skeffington, J. A. C. Noonan & J. Davis.

Notice Minutes Wages

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Raising of Water Works Revenue

A Report of the Town Clerk, dealing with the method of raising the revenue of the Waterworks Department, dated 10th December 1912 which had been before the Waterworks Committee and was ordered by the Committee to be laid before the Council was read.

The report was referred back to the Waterworks Committee for further consideration.

Market By Laws prosecution

Read, a Report of the Solicitor to the Corporation upon the result of proceedings brought at Petty Sessions on the 17th March against fishermen for breaches of the Market Bye Laws.

No order made.

Borough Coroner applications for.

Three applications for the position of Borough Coroner were submitted.

Dr. George Hamill was proposed by Alderman Jordan and seconded by Alderman McCullough.

Mr. Joseph J. Farrell, Solicitor, by Alderman Elcock, seconded by Alderman Lyons.

Mr. M. J. Kieraus, Solicitor, by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor McArdle.

On a Poll there voted for -

Hamill - Aldermen:- Jordan, McCullough.

Councillors:- Stanley, Branigan and Skeffington. (5.)

Farrell - Aldermen:- Drew, Moore, Elcock, Lyons

Councillors -

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Mr. J. J. Farrell
Elected Borough Coroner
~~Coroner~~

Councillors:- MacQuillan, Davis, Gannon, Lynch, Tallan, Berrill, Dolan, McIvor, Reid. (13.)
Kierans - Councillors - Noonan, McArdle, Clarke and His Worship the Mayor. (4.)
Mr. Farrell was declared elected.

Telegraph & Telephone Poles application to erect

Applications from the Postmaster General for permission to erect telegraph and telephone poles were read together with reports of the Borough Surveyor thereon.
Ordered that the Borough Surveyor do arrange the matter with the P.O. Engineer.

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April 2nd

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of 11 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday the 2nd April 1913.

Present.

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Drew, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. B. Moore, and P. Lyons.
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, L. Stanley, T. V. MacQuillan, E. McArdle, J. Davis, J. A. Gannon, P. D. McIvor, J. J. Callan, T. Reid, D. Branigan, J. Berrill, and W. T. Sheffington.

Notice — The Notice convening the meeting was read.
Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages — Wages sheet examined and signed.
Payments. — Payments ordered: Borough Fund £503:10:1.
Public Library account £4:4:0.

Shops Act Committee Report

The following report of the Shops Act Committee was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor McArdle, seconded by Councillor Gannon:-
To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.
Gentlemen,

Mr. P. Weldon appointed Inspector

We have been called together to consider the action of Mr. P. Weldon, who has been temporarily appointed Shops Act Inspector, in bringing prosecutions against Traders who had no doubt infringed the provisions of the Act but yet had explanations to offer for doing so. We have given instructions to the Inspector which should prevent abuses of the Act and at the same time guard against undue severity in its administration.

Bonus of £20

A majority of your Committee - 5 to 2 - were in favour of paying Mr. Weldon the sum of £20 as remuneration for his services in acting as Inspector for the first year, and we agreed that he should be permanently appointed to the position of Inspector at a salary of £15 per annum. Dated 31st March 1913. Jno. Callaghan Chairman.

Waterworks Scale of Charges

The following report of the Town Clerk to the Waterworks Committee was adopted on the motion of Councillor Davis, seconded by Alderman Elcock, Aldermen Drew and Moore dissenting, the same having been amended by general consent by inserting the words "arrange for the payment of a fixed sum per annum for such supply" and altering other words appropriately.

Gentlemen

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Gentlemen,

Scale of Charge for Water Supplies

Agreeably with your wish that I should bring in a further report in relation to a scale of charges and the enforcing thereof for the use of the Water Supply for other than domestic purposes, I can only suggest as an alternative to the recommendations in my previous report that you should recommend the Council to reduce the present Sanitary Rate from 1/6 to say 1/-, make the payment in full of this rate compulsory upon every ratepayer, and with everyone who uses the water supply for other than domestic purposes arrange for the payment of a fixed sum per annum for such supply, or charge by meter for the quantity used per 1000 gallons beginning with 1/- and reducing to 4d according to the consumption per quarter.

By reducing the compulsory rate persons who use the supply for domestic purposes only would not, as they do under present conditions, pay at the same rate as persons who use the supply for domestic purposes and manufacturing or trade purposes. It would also be a concession to ratepayers who do not use the supply at all.

There can hardly be any doubt that at present there is considerable waste by trading consumers which would be checked by the installation of meters.

Dated 10th December 1912. E.B. Connolly Town Clerk.

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April 16th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 16th day of April 1913.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Drew, T. McCullough, L.J. Flood, A.B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, J. McCrane, J. Davis, E. Ward, L. Stanley, J. Dolan, P. Fallan, T. Reid, P.D. McIvor, D. Brannigan, J.J. Callan, J. Berrill, W.T. Heffington, and J.A. Cochrane.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
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The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Boro' Surveyor's Report

Report of Borough Surveyor upon the works carried out for the past two months read. No order made.

The following report of the Law and Finance Committee was read and adopted:-

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

Striking of Rates

We Demand of the County Council and the Estimate of the Borough Surveyor in respect of the current financial year have been laid before us. Compared with a year ago the Demand is less by £209 while the Estimates are about the same.

During the past financial year the expenditure upon Streets, roads &c exceeded that of the preceding year by some £400; £100 were spent upon a new cattle Weighing Machine at the Hay Market, and the expenditure upon the new Service Reservoir at Rosehall was greater than was anticipated, so that your Credit Balance has been substantially reduced. A saving of £45 was effected by dropping the Employers' Liability Insurance there being no claim whatever under this head during the year.

The increase in the wages of the workmen, and the marked increase in the cost of materials will make it necessary to raise the Consolidated Rate in the future unless economies can be effected as a set off. We believe it to be possible to effect economies and have therefore impressed upon the Borough Surveyor the importance of carefully administering the funds under his control throughout the ensuing year.

We recommend you to strike the same Consolidated Rate as last year

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—#— In view of the proposed alteration in the method of raising the Water Works Revenue we recommend that the Sanitary Rate be reduced to 1/4, and when the alterations have been fully carried into effect a further reduction can be made.

Appended are particulars of works proposed to be carried out by the Borough Surveyor during the coming year.

Dated 7th April 1913. Jno Callaghan, Chairman.

Rate Collector's Lists of Arrears & Lost Rates

The Rate Collector's Lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates amounting to £7:6:0 and £59:13:3 Consolidated Rate, and £2:14:9 and £22:17:8 Sanitary Rate, respectively were submitted and approved.

The following letter was read:—

St. Peter's Rectory, Drogheda.
10th April 1913.

Dear Mr. Town Clerk,

Canon Ledoux's Gift of Photograph of Oil of Painting on Wood in Beaulieu House

The accompanying photograph is in itself a trifling thing, but it is taken from a picture full of interest.

It has struck me that a copy of it in the Corporation's place of meeting would be useful, and I shall esteem it a favour if His Worship the Mayor and the Corporation will accept it as a slight token of my grateful recognition of the very kindly relations which have so long existed amongst us.

Very faithfully yours,
Rt. Paul J. Ledoux.

The photograph, nicely framed, was endorsed:—

"Note.

(1) Magdalene Tower.
(2) St. Sunday's Gate.
(3) Tooting (?) Tower.
(4) St. Peter's Church.
(5) Pigeon Tower.
(6) Primate's Palace.
(7) St. Lawrence's Gate.
(8) Tholsel.
(9.) Beaulieu.
(10) Bridge over Boyne.

Photograph of Oil Painting on wood in Hall of Beaulieu. Probably painted between 1670 and 1718 (D'Alton's date). Photographed by kind permission of R. J. Montgomery Esq. D.L. Enlarged by Payne Drogheda.

It was unanimously agreed to accept Canon Ledoux's

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gift and to tender to him the best thanks of the Council.

Upper Boyne Navigation Closing of Conference re

Read, a letter of Mr. Geo. De Belle Bell on the subject of the closing of the upper Boyne Navigation.

Ordered that the Town Clerk of Navan be written to suggesting a Conference between members of the Navan Urban District Council, the Drogheda Harbour Board and the Corporation with a view to seeing whether steps should be taken to endeavour to keep the canal open.

Housing of the Working Classes Act Liability for amount borrowed

Communication from the Local Government Board read, forwarding copy of a certificate that the Corporation was liable to set apart £85:19:5 in the financial year ending 31st March 1913 in respect £5000 borrowed under the Housing of the Working Classes acts.

No order made.

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May 7th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 7th day of May 1913.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– P. Drew, T. McCullough, L.J. Elcock, P. Lyons, P.B. Moore and S. Jordan.

Councillors:– J.A.L. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. McGrane, T. Reid, C.D. McIvor, J.J. Callan, W.T. Heffington, J. Berrill, J.V. McQuillan, P. Fallon, D. Branigan and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

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The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments

Payments ordered: Borough Fund £913:19:5.
Public Library £ 4:4:0.
Artizans Dwellings Loan of £700:0:0.

Notice of Motion by Ald. Moore ruled out of Order.

Notice of Motion of alderman Moore in relation to the Sanitary Rate on Land was ruled out of order.

Rate Collector Application for increase in poundage fee.

An application of the Rate Collector for an increase in his poundage fees was referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Rate Resolution

On the motion of Councillor Heffington, seconded by Alderman Moore it was Resolved:–

"That we, the Corporation of Drogheda, do order and direct that a Consolidated Municipal Rate be made, applotted, levied, and assessed and raised within the Borough of Drogheda for the financial year ending 31st March 1914 at the rate of forty eight pence in the pound upon and off the owners, occupiers or tenants of all hereditaments rateable for the relief of the destitute poor in Ireland; thirty three pence three farthings in the pound of such rate being to meet General District Poor Rate charges, fifteen pence farthing to meet Borough charges for the maintenance of the Public Works transferred from the Grand Jury, one penny to meet the expenses of the Public Library, and one penny to meet the expenses of the Technical School.

And it is hereby further directed that a Sanitary Rate of Sixteen pence in the pound be made applotted levied assessed and raised under

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under the provisions of section 226 of the Public Health (Ireland) act 1878 to meet the expenses of the Water Supply for the District."

The Rate Book and Collector's warrant were thereupon duly executed and sealed and the Estimates approved.

Acknowledgement of Vote of Condolence

Letter read from Councillor Gannon thanking the Council for their Vote of Condolence upon the death of his sister.

Boyne Canal Closing of

Correspondence relating to the closing of the Boyne Canal was read.

Ordered that the Harbour Board be asked to select representatives for the proposed Conference.

Temperance Demonstration Use of Mayoralty House

Upon the application of the Hon. Secretary it was agreed to permit a Temperance Demonstration Committee to use the Mayoralty House on Sunday 8th June prox. and to erect arches throughout the town.

Housing Funds contribution

Circular Letter from the Local Government Board, read, intimating that the Corporation's share of the Housing Fund for the past financial year was £74:0:2. No order made

Letter read from the Local Government Board returning the Rate Collector's lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates approved.

Road Boards Grant Conference re

A letter from the County Council of Louth suggesting a Conference in relation to a Road Board Grant was read together with the Town Clerk's reply thereto which was approved.

Telephone Poles

Upon the recommendation of the Borough Surveyor consent was given to the erection of Telephone Poles in Duke Street, Custers Lane and Bachelors Lane.

Condolence Patk. Reilly Shop St.

On the motion of Alderman Moore seconded by Alderman Elcock, a Vote of Condolence was passed with the relatives of the late Mr. Patrick Reilly of Shop Street who was formerly a member of the Council and also occupied the position of Mayor.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 21st day of May 1913

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– T. McCullough, R.B. Moore, A. Drew and S. Jordan.
Councillors:– J.A.C. Noonan, J. Clarke, E. McArdle, T. Reid, W. Macquillan, J.A. Gannon, J. Davis, J. Berrill, J.J. Callan, and P.D. McIvor.

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The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Book examined and signed.

New Weighing Machine Return of goods weighed & tolls received.

Report of Market Collector read, giving the number and weight of the cattle weighed on the new weighing machine to the 19th April – 1140 and 11,443 cwt. respectively – and the tolls received therefor, £22:12:3.

The same was considered satisfactory.

Law & Finance Committee Report

The following report of the Law and Finance Committee was read and adopted:–

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

Mayoralty House Purchase of 50 Chairs

For some time past it has been necessary to borrow or hire, and cart to and fro, chairs for entertainments in the Mayoralty House. This being a most unsatisfactory arrangement we invited tenders for 50 chairs of Irish Manufacture and have selected the tender of Mr. John McGeough of Peter Street at £8:15:0. The Chairs will be made in Navan.

War Department Lease of Derelict Land Millmount Barracks

We have arranged with the War Department for a lease to them for 21 years of derelict land surrounding Millmount Barracks at the yearly rent of £10 with the option of purchasing outright for the sum of £250.

M. A. Casey Purchase of Land

Mr. M. A. Casey, Paradise Place, has acquired the interest of Mr. Patrick Cummins in the remainder of the field at Newfoundwell upon which your Artizans Dwellings are being erected, and is willing to purchase the plot for 25 years purchase of the present rent £2:10:0 and to build a residence thereon. We recommend that a Deed of

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of Conveyance to him upon these terms be executed subject to the necessary formalities being complied with.

Dated 5th May 1913. John Callaghan Chairman.

Jas. L. Grant Lease Sealed

A Lease was this day sealed unto James Laurence Grant of plot of ground on the South side of Dyer Street whereon the licensed house and premises formerly tenanted by Richard Mooney stand containing in front to said street 26 feet, in depth on the east side 49 feet, on the west side 49 feet 8 inches and in the rere 24 feet, bounded on the north by Dyer Street, on the south and west by property of the South and North Farrars Association and on the East by property of the Lessors in the occupation of Kate Mallon, for a term of 75 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £8. Covenants to expend £250 and to insure in the sum of £500.

Boyne Canal Delegates to Conference re

His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Elcock and the Town Clerk were selected to represent the Corporation on the proposed Conference in relation to the closing of the Boyne Canal.

P. Collier, Dales Ack. Vote of Condolence

Letter read from Patrick Collier, Dales, thanking the Council for their vote of condolence on the death of the late Mr. P. Reilly Shop Street.

Shops Act Order in Council

Circular letter from Dublin Castle read, enclosing Copy of Order in Council under the Shops Act 1913.

Sale of Dog Licences

Circular letter from Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks read, intimating that the Corporations proportion of the surplus from the sale of Dog Licences was £33:19:8.

I.N. Foresters Use of Mayoralty to

Upon their request the Irish National Foresters were granted the free use of the Mayoralty House in connection with a Demonstration on the 25th May.

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June 4th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the fourth day of June 1913.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. B. Moore and A. Drew.
Councillors:– J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. A. Gannon, P. Lynch, J. Dolan, J. J. Callan, P. D. McIvor, T. Reid, T. V. MacQuillan.

Minutes
Wages
Payments.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages duly examined and signed.
Payments ordered: Borough Fund £709: 12:9.
Public Library 4: 4:0.

Car Inspector's Annual Report

Annual Report of Car Inspector read, intimating that there were 56 licensed vehicles – 44 cars, 5 brakes, 5 carriages and 2 buses – all of which were in good order except the cars (3) of William Reynolds, George Bailey and Thomas Kenny.

It was agreed to renew all licences except those referred to, a fortnight to be allowed for the repair of the cars to the satisfaction of the Inspector, at the end of that period summonses to be issued if repairs are not carried out.

Estimate of Water Connections to 12 Houses Patrick St.

Report of Borough Surveyor read giving estimate of costs £28–, of water connections to twelve houses in Patrick Street.
Ordered that the work be carried out.

Tuberculosis Dispensary
Church Lane
Objection by Canon Ledoux.

Letter read from Rev. Canon Ledoux objecting to the proposed Tuberculosis Dispensary in Church Lane.
It was decided the Council could not interfere in the matter.

Public Library
Open on Church Holidays
& Workmen's meal Hours

Ordered that the Public Library Committee be informed that it is the wish of the Council that the Library should be open to the public on Church Holidays, during workmens' meal hours, and until 10 o'clock p.m.

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June 18th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 18th day of June 1913.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– A. Jordan, P. Drew, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:– J. Dolan, T. Reid, J. Clarke, J. Davis, J. A. C. Noonan, J. Revill, J. A. Gannon, T. V. MacQuillan, P. Lynch and E. Wardle.

Minutes
Wages

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages duly examined and signed.

Report of Borough Surveyor

Report of Borough Surveyor upon the works carried out during the past two months, read. No order made.

Gas Works Improvement
Re-borrowing of £137: 6:5

An application to the Local Government Board for sanction to the re-borrowing of £137: 6:6 for Gas Works Improvements was submitted and approved.

Closing of Boyne Canal
Correspondence re

Correspondence with the Board of Trade, Mr. Patrick White M. P. and Mr. John Spicer in relation to the closing of the Boyne Canal, read.
Ordered – that the matter be referred to the Committee dealing with the

Sloblands
Letter from Board of Trade

Letter read from the Board of Trade on the subject of the proposed Conveyance of the sloblands at St. James.
The Town Clerk submitted a draft reply which was approved.

Complaint re
deposit of Broken Bottles
Marsh Road

Letter read from the Secretary Harbour Commissioners, enclosing letter from Mr. F. Reilly drawing attention to the deposit along the roadside of broken bottles, at St. James.
The Borough Surveyor was directed to attend to the matter.

Municipal Authorities
Conference

The Mayor and the Town Clerk were appointed as Delegates for the current year to the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland.

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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the second day of July 1913.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- T. McCullough, and P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, J. A. Gannon, J. Berrill, J. McGrane, J. Davis, ~~and~~ J. Dolan, J. J. Callan & T. Reid

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages sheet examined and signed.

Payments — Payments ordered: Borough Fund £455=9=0.
Artizans Dwellings a/c 1166=0=0.
Public Library 4=4=0.

Gas Works Tender for Coal — Report of Gas Works Committee read recommending the acceptance of the tenders of the Wigan Coal and Iron Co. Ltd. and Duxbury and Co. for coal at 13/9 per ton F.O.B., 1500 tons each.

Tender for Freight on Coal — Further report of same Committee read recommending acceptance of the Tender of Joseph Fisher & Sons, Newry, for freight on coal at 4/- per ton. The reports were adopted.

Millmount Barracks Possession of Land re Erection of Miniature Rifle Range — Application from the War Department read, asking permission to enter into possession of land at Millmount Barracks before the lease of same is executed in order that the construction of a miniature cartridge range may be at once proceeded with.

It was agreed to grant permission.

Boyne Canal — Further correspondence with the Navan Urban Council regarding the Boyne Canal was read.

No order made.

Bellewstown Races Adjournment — On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Reid it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the consideration of the remaining business for a fortnight, this being one of the days of Bellewstown Races.

Jno. Callaghan
16/7/13

1913. July 16th

Minutes of an adjourned Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 16th day of July 1913.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. B. Moore, P. Drew, T. McCullough
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Davis, P. Lynch, J. McGrane, J. Dolan, J. A. Gannon, W. T. Skeffington, E. W. McArdle, J. J. Callan, T. V. MacQuillan, T. Reid, J. Berrill, P. D. McIvor, L. Stanley & D. Branigan

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Quarterly Meetings Business to be set out on Agenda — Ordered that in future the business to be transacted at Quarterly meetings shall as far as possible be set out in the Summons for the meeting and that copies of Reports be circulated in the usual way.

Tuberculosis Dispensary Old Jail — Dr. J. MacQuillan and Mr. V. Warren on behalf of the County Louth National Health Insurance Committee made verbal application for a portion of the Old Jail premises for the purpose of a Branch Tuberculosis Dispensary.

Councillor Skeffington proposed and Councillor Lynch seconded that the request be acceded to – the letting to be for twelve months.

Alderman Moore proposed as an amendment which was seconded by Councillor Noonan that the request be not acceded to.

On a division there voted:

For the Amendment	Against
Alderman Moore	Aldermen:- P. Drew, T. McCullough,
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Davis, J. McGrane, J. J. Callan, J. Berrill, T. Reid & His Worship the Mayor. (8)	Councillors:- P. Lynch, W. T. Skeffington, J. A. Gannon, J. Dolan, T. V. MacQuillan, E. W. McArdle, D. Branigan, L. Stanley & P. D. McIvor (11)

The Amendment was accordingly declared lost. The Resolution was then put and carried, the voting for the Resolution being the same as that against the Amendment, and against the Resolution as for the Amendment.

It was agreed that the rent to be charged should be fixed by the Law & Finance Committee

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Technical School
Levying of additional Rate of 1d. for purpose of building new School
Loan of £5000 re

A deputation from the Technical Instruction Committee waited upon the Council to urge the striking of an additional rate of one penny in the pound for Technical Instruction, in order that the Committee might make arrangements for the building and maintenance of a new Technical School.

The Right Rev. Monsignor Segrave, Rev. Chancellor Ledoux, and Mr. W. J. D. Walker B. A. having addressed the Council, it was proposed by Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor Sheffington and unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council hereby agree to levy in future an additional rate of one penny in the pound for Technical Instruction in order that the Technical Instruction Committee may be enabled to provide and maintain a new Technical School.

That the Committee are hereby authorized to make all necessary arrangements for the acquiring of a site for and the building of such School.

And that all necessary steps be taken to obtain sanction to and to borrow a loan of £5000, or such lesser sum as may be required, for such purpose."

Hanna, Donald & Wilson
Agreement for erection of Steel Tank & Gas Holder

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to an Agreement with Messrs Hanna, Donald & Wilson of Paisley for the erection of a Steel Tank and Two-lift Telescopic Gas Holder with Steel Joist Standards for the Sum of £3050, the work to be completed by the 31st August next.

On the Motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor McArdle, it was unanimously resolved:-

Loan of £3,387:13:7 and £137:6:5 for Extension & Improvement of Gas Works

1. "That the Corporation approve of the borrowing of £3387:13:7 and of the reborrowing of £137:6:5, making together £3,525, from the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland, for the purpose of the Extension and improvement of the Gas Undertaking of the Corporation.
2. That the Corporation approve of the proposed Mortgage to secure same together with interest at four per cent per annum.
3. That the Seal of the Corporation be affixed to the engrossment of said Mortgage as also to the Memorial thereof for registration."

The following Report of the Bye Laws & Markets Committee

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was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by Councillor MacQuillan, Alderman Moore dissenting:-

Gentlemen,

Geo. DeB. Ball
Selling of Vegetables on Market

Upon consideration of Mr. George de Belle Ball's application for a space within the Corn Market for the sale of Vegetables and Flowers it appears to us that there is sufficient space for the sale of Vegetables as well as Butter, Eggs and Fowl if a quantity of materials were removed. We explained our views to the Borough Surveyor and instructed him to have the materials removed, the Market thoroughly cleaned and kept in good order in future.

We decided to let Mr. Ball have a space along the east wall of the Market next the Fowl Pens at a rent of 1/ per day.

Dated 14th July 1913.

Jno. Callaghan, Chairman.

Public Fountain North Road

Alderman Moore moved pursuant to Notice of Motion – That a public fountain be immediately erected near the north end of Windmill Lane for the convenience of the people who live there.

The Motion having been seconded by Councillor Lynch was put and declared carried unanimously.

Sloblands

Letter read from the Board of Trade (Harbour Dept.) enquiring what the improvements were which had been carried out by the Corporation and the Harbour Board at the Sloblands.

The Town Clerk read a draft reply which was approved.

Employment of Children Act 1903

Circular Letter from the Under Secretary Dublin Castle on the subject of the enforcement of the Employment of Children Act 1903, was submitted when the same was referred to the Bye Laws & Markets Committee.

Grant for Labourers Cottages
Conference re

Alderman Moore and Councillor Lynch were deputed to represent the Corporation at a Conference called by the South Dublin Rural District Council with the object of taking steps to obtain a further Grant for the building of Labourers Cottages in Rural Districts.

Jno. Callaghan
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August 6th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the 6th August 1913.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen: – J. Jordan, P. Drew, P. B. Moore, and P. Lyons.

Councillors: – J. Davis, P. Fallan, J. A. B. Noonan, J. Dolan, P. Lynch, J. A. Gannon, J. Clarke, J. McGrane, J. Berrill, J. J. Callan, T. V. MacQuillan, L. Stanley, W. T. Heffington, P. D. McEvoy, T. Reid and D. Branigan.

Notice – The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes – The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages – Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments – Payments ordered: Borough Fund £455 . 17 . 0.
Artizans Dwellings a/c £53 . 10 . 11.

Librarian Public Library. Vacancy – Report of Town Clerk read notifying vacancy in the Office of Secretary to the Committee and Librarian of the Public Library.

The matter was referred to the Public Library Committee.

Rate Collector's Poundage Increased to 5d. – Report of Law and Finance Committee read, recommending that the Rate Collector's poundage be increased to five pence.

Old Jail premises – That the old Jail premises be not let for a Branch Tuberculosis Dispensary.

Purchase of ground Bredin St. & Blackbut Lane for Building Scheme. – Intimating that negotiations were in progress for the purchase of a plot of ground in Bredin Street at £30 from Mr. Thomas Berrill, and a plot of ground in Blackbutt Lane at £100 from Mr. G. H. Pentland, for Artizans Dwellings.

Thomas Reilly, Penal Rent – Intimating that the Borough Treasurer had been directed to collect from last sale the penal rent of £25 per annum from Thomas Reilly, Marsh Road.

Annual Supplies Tenders for ✓ – Intimating that the following tenders had been accepted:–

Winding and regulating Tolsel clock for 12 months–
C. W. Kerley & Co. at £4 . 15 . 0.

Horse shoeing – John Owens – 3/- per set and 1/6 for pointing.

Road Materials – Peter Carroll – same prices as previous years.

Clothing – James Thomas Fay.

Harness and Harness Repairs – John Callan.

Timber

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Timber – A. Murdock & Sons Ltd.

Cement – Do.

Oils, Colors & Ironmongery –
A. Murdock & Sons Ltd. and P. Murphy Ltd. (the cheaper in each item)

It was decided to defer until next meeting consideration of the proposed purchase of building sites and the imposing of penal rent on Thomas Reilly.

A Division was taken on the proposal to increase the Rate Collector's poundage when all the members voted in favour of it except Councillors – Noonan, Clarke and Magrane.

The adoption of the report was thereupon moved by Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor MacQuillan and carried.

Old Jail premises for Tuberculosis Dispensary Resolution rescinded – Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Noonan moved:–

"That the resolution of the 16th July granting portion of the Old Jail premises for the purposes of a Branch Tuberculosis Dispensary be rescinded."

Councillor Magrane having seconded the motion a Division was taken when there voted:

For.	Against.
Aldermen – Jordan, Moore, Lyons.	Aldermen – Drew.
Councillors – Davis, Noonan, Clarke, Magrane, Berrill, Callan, Stanley, McEvoy and the Mayor (12)	Councillors – Dolan, Lynch, Gannon, MacQuillan, Heffington. (6)

The motion was put and declared carried.

Tenders for Hay ✓ – A Committee consisting of Aldermen Jordan and Lyons and Councillor Lynch was appointed to select tenders for Hay.

Lists of Tenements for Revision – Lists of Tenements requiring Revision of Valuation were submitted and were approved on the motion of Councillor Lynch seconded by Councillor Stanley.

Town Tenants Conference ✓ – Councillors Heffington and Stanley were appointed Delegates to the Town Tenants Conference.

Loan of £5000 for Technical School & Fishmarket Hall – Two applications for a Loan of £5000 for the building of a

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a Technical School and a Loan of £1000- for acquiring and improving the Whitworth Hall were submitted and approved

Vote of Condolence
Acknowledgement of

Letters were read from Mr. H.W. Saville and Mrs. M. MacNamara thanking the Council for their Votes of Condolence

Notice of Audit ✓

Communication read from Local Government Auditor, (E. P. McCarron) intimating that he would commence the audit of the accounts of the Corporation on the 26th August instant.

Change in hours of meeting
Letter from L.G.B. re

Letter read from the Local Government Board with reference to the change in the hour of meeting.
The Town Clerk's reply was approved.

Condolence
P. Weldon
John O'Callaghan U.S.A.

Votes of Condolence were unanimously passed with Mr. P. Weldon on the death of his sister and with the family of the late John O'Callaghan of the United Irish League U.S.A.

Jno. Callaghan
20/8/13

1913. August 20th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 20th day of August 1913.

Present.

In the Chair- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. Jordan, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons, & P. B. Moore
Councillors:- J. A. L. Nooran, J. Clarke, J. A. Gannon, T. V. Macquillan, J. Davis, J. Dolan, P. D. McEvoy, P. Lynch, J. J. Callan, W. J. Heffington, and J. Devill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages sheet examined and passed.

Boro Surveyor's Report

Report of Borough Surveyor read giving particulars of work carried out during the past two months.

Shops Act Convictions

Report of Market Collector read, intimating convictions for breaches of the Shops act.

Workmens Dwellings Patrick St
Water Supply &

After some discussion had taken place upon it Councillor Lynch withdrew his Notice of Motion in relation to the water supply for workmens dwellings in Patrick Street.

Lease sealed to War Department
Lower Millmount Barracks

A Lease was this day sealed unto His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for War Department of a plot of ground situate on the North, West and South sides of Millmount Barracks, containing 1a. 2r. 38p. statute measure for a term of twenty one years from the 25th March 1913 at the yearly rent of £10.

G. H. Pentland Site Blackbut Lane

The Council next took into consideration the proposal to acquire from Mr. G. H. Pentland a building site in Blackbut Lane for the sum of £100.

Councillor Davis proposed and alderman Lyons seconded- that the site be acquired. Councillor Nooran moved as an amendment- that the plot be not acquired. alderman moore seconded.

on a division only the mover and seconder voted for the amendment and the resolution was accordingly declared carried

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Letter read from Mr. P. Weldon, S.S. thanking the Council for their vote of condolence on the death of his sister.

Boyne Canal

Letter read from Mr. J. Spicer in relation to the Boyne Canal.

The Town Clerk was directed to again write to Mr. P. White M.P. on the subject.

Rate Collector's Increase
Approval of L.G.B.

Letter read from the Local Government Board consenting to an increase in the Rate Collector's poundage from 4 to 5 on the understanding that one third of the first moiety would be lodged by the 31st July and one third of the second moiety by the 31st December in each year.

This course was agreed to.

Jno. Callaghan
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1913.
September 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 3rd September 1913

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. Lyons, L.J. Elcock,
Councillors:– J.A.C. Noonan, J.J. Callan, J. Reid, J. Clarke, J. Berrill, P. McEvoy, J. Dolan and P. Lynch.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
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Wages
Payments
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered:– Borough Fund £2565:0:1.
Free Library 8:8:0
Artizans Dwellings a/c 750:0:0

Supplemental List of Tenements for Revision

A supplemental list of tenements requiring revision of valuation was submitted and approved.

The Borough Surveyor was granted leave of absence.

Insurance Contributions
Refunds of
Maternity Benefits

It was unanimously agreed to include in the wages sheet a payment of £10:10:0 for maternity benefits to workmen in lieu of insurance contributions and to refund to the men their contributions.

Letter read from the Local Government Board assenting to an increase of one penny in the Rate Collectors poundage.

Labourers Acts
Orders under

Copies of same orders under the Labourers Acts whereby certain lands would be acquired for Labourers dwellings were submitted. No order made.

Jno. Callaghan
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 17th day of September 1913.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Drew, T. McCullough, L.J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J.A.C. Noonan, L. Stanley, J. Clarke, J. Dolan, J. McGrane, E. Wardle, J.A. Gannon, T. Reid, P.S. McIvor, J.J. Callan, W. J. Heffington, J. Berrill, J.V. Macquielan and D. Branigan.

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The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
Wages sheet examined and signed.

Joint Tuberculosis Observation Dispensary Louth & Meath

Report of Town Clerk read, suggesting that representations should be made to the County Councils of Meath and Louth to establish a joint Tuberculosis Observation Dispensary or Sanatorium in Drogheda.

Ordered that a copy of the report be forwarded to each of the County Councils for their observations thereon, and a Committee consisting of the Mayor with Alderman Elcock and Councillors Davis and Heffington was appointed to deal with the matter.

Workmens Dwellings Potato Market To be let to Firebrigade men

Report of Housing Committee read, recommending that as an experiment half a dozen Workmens Dwellings should be built on the site in Potato Market, containing a kitchen, three bedrooms and scullery with bath. The rents would require to be 3/6 per week but in order to have an efficient Fire Brigade the dwellings should be let to the firemen at 2/6 and the loss put down to fire brigade expenses; no allowances to be made for practices.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Wardle seconded by Councillor Stanley, but only on the understanding that the rents would remain at 3/6 and that allowances to the firemen would be made.

Houses Green Lane Alterations in

Report of Law and Finance Committee recommending read, alterations in Workmens Dwellings in Green Lane so as to make them more comfortable

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comfortable homes.

Fire Alarm Telephone

Recommending the installation of a Fire Alarm Telephone in the two Police Barracks, in Millmount Barracks, the residence of the Borough Surveyor and the Fire Brigade Foreman's house at an annual rental of £10:10:0.

Division of Rent James Berrill Lawrence St. to pay £10 Mrs. McDonough £7:11:8 Mrs. M.J. Reddan

Recommending assent to a division of a rent of £17:11:8 payable by Mrs. McMurray out of premises in Lawrence Street and Shop Street, £10 to be payable by Mr. James Berrill Lawrence Street and £7:11:8 by Mrs. McDonough Shop Street.

Proceedings for non fulfillment of Covenant in Lease

Recommending that proceedings be instituted against Mrs. M. J. Reddan for non-fulfilment of the covenant to repair and to insure contained in the lease under which she holds premises in King Street.

The report was adopted, Councillors Gannon and Berrill dissenting to the first recommendation.

Boyne Canal

Letter read from the Town Clerk of Navan intimating that Mr. Spicer had given notice that he would move that the Navan Urban Council apply to the Board of Trade for possession of the Boyne Canal.

No order made.

Distress Committee. Auditor's Report ✓

Communication from the Local Government Board read transmitting copy of the report of the auditor upon the audit of the accounts of the Distress Committee for the past two seasons.

No order made.

Dr. Douglas Hyde Address of Welcome to

It was unanimously decided to present an Address of Welcome to Dr. Douglas Hyde on the occasion of his visit to Drogheda on the 24th instant.

Jno. Callaghan
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October 1st.

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the first day of October 1913.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- A. Drew, L. J. Elcock, and J. McCullough.
Councillors:- J. A. McMoran, L. Stanley, J. Clarke, J. A. Gannon, J. McGrane, J. Dolan, J. J. Callan, A. D. McIvor, J. Reid and J. Berrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments

Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £538: 11: 0.
Public Library £11: 1: 9.

Houses Green Lane Water Closets to

Councillor Berrill moved pursuant to Notice of Motion- 'That water and water closets be provided in the Corporation houses in the Green Lanes that are to undergo alterations'

The motion was seconded by Councillor McGrane, but on a division the remainder of the Council voted against it. viz.

Mrs. M. J. Reddan Extension of time to comply with Building Covenant

Upon the reading of her application Mrs. M. J. Reddan was granted an extension of twelve months to comply with the covenant to build and to repair contained in the lease of her premises in King Street, on the understanding that she satisfied a Committee consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Elcock, and Councillors Moran and Stanley of her ability to carry out the work in the time specified.

Boyne Canal

Further letter read from Mr. John Officer Navan in relation to the Boyne Canal.

The Town Clerk was directed to suggest that a further meeting of the joint Committee should be held.

North Road Lighting of

Letter read from W. H. Jordan, North Road, regarding the lighting of that locality.

The Mayor intimated that the Gas Works Committee would soon

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soon report generally upon the question of Public Lighting.

Home Rule Demonstration in Dundalk attends in State

It was unanimously decided to attend in State at the Home Rule Demonstration in Dundalk on the 5th instant.

Technical Instruction Committee

Communication from the Local Government Board read, transmitting copy of the auditor's report and attested abstract of the accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for the year ended 31st March 1913.

No order made.

Auditor's Report

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October 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 15th day of October 1913.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– C. Drew, J. McCullough, L.J. Elcock, and R.B. Moore.
Councillors:– J.A.L. Noonan, J. Clarke, J.V. Macquillan, P. Lynch, J.A. Gannon, J.J. Callan, J. Reid, C.D. McIvor, J. McGrane and J. Davis.

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The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Rents of Workmens Dwellings Bredin St. fixed at 2/9 per week

On the motion of Councillor Noonan, seconded by Councillor McGrane the Rents of the new Workmens' Dwellings in Bredin Street were unanimously fixed at 2/9 per week.

Industrial Conference Delegates to

His Worship the Mayor, Councillor Macquillan and the Town Clerk were appointed Delegates to the Ninth All-Ireland Industrial Conference to be held in Limerick.

Sale to W.A. Casey L.G.B. approval of Sale to War Department

Letters were read from the Local Government Board assenting to the proposed sale to Mr. W. A. Casey of plot of ground on the South side of Newfoundwell Road, and to a Lease, with option to purchase, to the War Department of plot of ground at the Millmount Barracks.

A further letter from the Local Government Board requesting particulars in regard to the Housing Schemes of the Corporation before sanctioning the third loan of £5000, was referred to the Housing Committee.

Loan of £5000 for Housing Bank of Ireland to issue cheque

Read, letter from the Bank of Ireland agreeing to the proposed borrowing of third Housing Loan of £5000.

Mrs. M.J. Reddan Repairing Covenant in Lease

Communication read from Mrs. Mary J. Reddan intimating that she would comply next year with the building clause in her lease.
The same was considered satisfactory.

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At the request of the Mr. J.P. Timmon, Secretary, the Council agreed unanimously to attend in state at the Navan Home Rule Demonstration.

Boyne Canal

Communications from Mr. John Spicer in relation to the Boyne Canal were read.
They were referred to the Deputation appointed to wait upon the County Council of Meath in relation to the establishment of a Tuberculosis Observation Dispensary.

Public Lighting Committee appointed to enquire into

The following were appointed a Committee to enquire into the question of Public Lighting:
Fair Gate Ward – Councillors Callan and Reid.
St. Lawrence Gate Ward – Aldermen Elcock and McCullough
West Gate Ward – alderman Drew and Councillor Gannon.

Insurance of Employees of Local Authorities

A Circular Letter from the National Health Insurance Commission in regard to the Insurance of Employees of Local Authorities was read and referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Jno. Callaghan
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1913.
November 5th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 5th day of November 1913.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. McCullough.
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, L. Stanley, E. McArdle, L. V. McQuillan, J. Davis, J. J. Callan, P. D. McEvoy, J. Bevill, J. McShane, W. J. Heffington and P. Lynch.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments

Payments ordered:

Borough Fund	£869:17:3
Public Library	10:17:0
Artizans Dwellings a/c	350:0:0

Mrs. Maria MacNamara appointed Librarian & Secty. Public Library

Report of Public Library Committee read, recommending that Mrs. Maria MacNamara be permanently appointed to the position of Secretary and Librarian upon the same terms as her late husband.

The report was adopted unanimously upon the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by Councillor Stanley.

Conveyance to M. Casey Executed ✓

A Conveyance unto Michael A. Casey of a plot of ground upon the South side of Newfoundwell Road, for a consideration of £62:10:0, was this day executed.

Coucreting

Upon application made by him it was agreed to concrete the footpath in front of the new premises erected by Mr. James Toner on the North side of Newfoundwell Road.

Home Rule Demonstration at Dundalk G.N.R. Co. facilities, &c

Letter read from General Manager, Great Northern Railway Co. in relation to facilities provided at Drogheda Station on the occasion of the Home Rule Demonstration in Dundalk on the 5th October.

The Town Clerk was instructed as to his reply.

Communication read from Coroners excluded from the Railway Station premises

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The Town Clerk was directed to deal with the matter.

Communication from the General Valuation Office read, intimating that the annual Revision of valuation would be commenced about the 13th November by Mr. Warwick.

Workmens Dwellings Maps of sites ✓

Letter read from the Local Government Board requesting to be furnished with a map showing the situation of the Workmens Dwellings proposed to be erected before sanctioning the third loan of £3000.

The Borough Surveyor was instructed to prepare a general map showing the various sites built upon or suitable for building upon.

Jno. Callaghan
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 19th November 1913.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- T. McCullough, P. Lyons and T. B. Moore.
Councillors:- P. Tallan, J. Clarke, L. Stanley, J. A. C. Noonan, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Davis, P. Lynch, P. D. McIvor, J. J. Callan, J. Dolan and J. Berrill.

Notice — The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages sheet examined and passed.

Report of Borough Surveyor read, giving particulars of works carried out since Septr. 1st. No order made.

Auditor's Report 1913 — Report of auditor upon his audit of the accounts for the year ending 31st March last read.

Consideration of it was adjourned until copies had been circulated amongst the members.

Lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates approved — The Rate Collector's Lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for the half year ending 30th September were submitted and approved.

Telegraph Pole, Duke St. — Consent was given to the erection of one Telegraph Pole in Duke St.

New Technical School Site for — The Council heard the views of a deputation from the Technical Instruction Committee regarding a site for the new Technical School.

Consideration of the matter was adjourned to next meeting.

Concreting — Upon the application of Archdeacon Segrave it was agreed to concrete the footpath in Scarlet Street in front of new School Teachers' residences and from the corner of King Street to the National School.

Boyne Canal — Letter read from the Secretary County Council of Meath relating to the Boyne Canal. No order made.

Jno. Callaghan 3/12/13

1913 December 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room of the Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 3rd December 1913.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- T. McCullough & L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, J. Clarke, L. Stanley, J. Davis, J. Dolan, T. V. McQuillan, T. Reid, P. D. McIvor, P. Lynch, J. McGrane, J. Berrill & J. J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments — Payments Ordered:-

Borough Fund	£998: 9: 11
Public Library	6: 7: 6
Artizans Dwellings a/c.	74: 0: 0

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Report of Public Library & Technical Instruction Committee as follows, read:-

Gentlemen,

Technical School new Site King Street — Your Committee request your approval of the vacant site upon the east side of King Street upon which to build the new Technical School. The site is fairly central, has good accommodation and will not require any clearing. By an arrangement we have entered into, the place can be obtained for a rent of 26/- per annum until the expiration of the existing lease, when the property will revert to the Corporation.

It has not been possible to obtain a suitable site in one of the main thoroughfares.

A list of the various sites considered and rejected for the reasons given is submitted.

W. H. Byrne & Son Architect — We further request your approval of the appointment of Messrs William H. Byrne & Son of Suffolk Street, Dublin, a firm of established reputation and experienced in school designing, as Architects for the new School.

Dated 29th November, 1913.

Councillor Davis proposed and Councillor Callan seconded the adoption of the first portion of the report dealing with the question of site.

Motion put and carried unanimously.

Councillor Noonan proposed and Councillor McIvor seconded

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seconded the adoption of the latter portion of the report dealing with the appointment of Architect.

Councillor ~~Callan~~ Lynch proposed as an amendment and Councillor ~~Maguire~~ Callan seconded that there should be competition plans.

Only Councillor ~~Mc Grane~~ Lynch and the proposer and seconder being in favour of the amendment, the resolution was declared carried.

King Street site claim by Collins

Letter read from Mr. J. G. M'Keever Solicitor, intimating that a client of his named Collins claimed certain rights in connection with the proposed site for the Technical School.

The letter was referred to the Technical Instruction Committee.

Lamp Concreting Old Corn Market Hill

Upon the application of Mr. P. J. Corcoran it was decided to ~~ask~~ erect a Public Lamp upon the Old Corn Market Hill and to concrete the footpath in front of new houses built in that Street by Mr. Corcoran.

Housing Schemes

A Circular letter from the Local Government Board requesting replies to queries regarding Housing Schemes undertaken by the Corporation was read.

The Town Clerk submitted replies to the queries and a general statement which were approved.

Jno. Callaghan
17-12-13

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 17th day of December 1913.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen - L. J. Hoey, P. B. Moore.
Councillors: - J. A. B. Noonan, J. Clarke, L. Stanley, J. M'Grane, J. A. Gannon, J. Davis, P. Lynch, P. D. M'Ivor, J. Berrill, W. J. Heffington, and J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Lamp at Green Lanes

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Berrill moved - "That a lamp be erected at corner of alley South side of Green Lanes next Potato Market Square and it be lighted every night." Councillor M'Grane having seconded, the motion was put and carried.

Small Dwellings Acquisition Act 1899 Loan of £10,000 re

The Council next considered the advisability of making application for a loan under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act 1899.

On the motion of Councillor Heffington, seconded by Councillor Dolan it was unanimously Resolved: -

"That an application be made to the Local Government Board for a loan of £10000 under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act 1899."

Petroleum Acts. Licences under

Applications for Licenses under the Petroleum Acts were submitted and ordered to be brought before the Law and Finance Committee.

An application of the Workmen for an increase in their wages was read and referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Overdue Accs

A circular letter from the Local Government Board on the subject of overdue accounts was read.

County Louth Tuberculosis Scheme

Letter read from the Secretary County Council of Louth in relation to the County Tuberculosis Scheme.

Ordered that the Local Government Board be requested to consider the views of the Corporation before approving the proposed amended

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Regulation of Jackney Carriages at Rly. Station

amended Scheme.

Ordered that the General Manager Great Northern Railway Co. be requested to receive a deputation on the subject of the Regulation of Hackney Carriages at the Railway Station.

Sanitary prosecution application of Solicitor for employment of Counsel

Letter read from the Solicitor to the Corporation suggesting that Counsel should be employed in a Sanitary prosecution appeal - Corporation v Kelly and Plunkett.

The Council were of opinion that such a course was unnecessary

Local Enquiry Recommendations to Peter Bleiton as Shorthand writer

It was unanimously agreed to recommend ~~the~~ to the Local Government Board that Mr. Peter Bleiton of Athlone, should be employed as shorthand-writer at the forthcoming Local Enquiry.

Jno. Callaghan
7/1/14

1914. January 7th.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 7th day of January 1914.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- P. D. McEvoy, W. J. Skeffington, J. Dolan, J. J. Callan, J. Burke, J. Davis, P. Lynch, Jas. Gannon, Jas. Doonan, L. Stanley, T. V. MacQuillan, & Jno. E. Grace.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments

Payments Ordered:- Borough Fund £528: 8: 3
Public Library 9: 1: 3.

Public Lamps Stockwell Lane

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Gannon moved:- "That an additional Public Lamp be erected in Stockwell Lane."

The Motion having been seconded by Councillor Skeffington the same was put and carried.

Conduct of Carman the complaint re

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas J. Jones, Greenhills, complaining of the conduct of a Carman named Pritchard in not keeping an engagement.

Pritchard appeared before the Council and offered an explanation which was considered satisfactory.

Letter read from Mr. John Spicer, Navan, drawing attention to the fact that trade was passing the Port. It having been explained that this occured in consequence of a strike, no order was made.

Regulations of Carmen at Railway Station

Communication from the Great Northern Railway Co. on the subject of the Regulation of Carmen at the Railway Station.

Ordered that the information asked for by the General Manager be supplied.

Qualifications of Collectors of Poor Rate Order amending

Circular letter from the Local Government Board read forwarding copy of an Order amending the Public Bodies Order 1906 with regard to the qualifications for appointment as Collectors of Poor

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Poor Rate.

No order made.

County South Tuberculosis Scheme

Letter read from the Local Government Board intimating that if the Corporation were in a position to show that under the proposed Tuberculosis Scheme for the County of South Tuberculosis patients in Drogheda would not be sufficiently provided for the Board would be prepared to deal with the matter, but that in the first instance the views of the Corporation should be submitted in writing.

The Town Clerk was instructed to reply that if a copy of the amended Scheme would be submitted the Corporation would be glad to express in writing their views upon it.

Storage & Sale of Celluloid

Circular letter from the Under Secretary, Dublin Castle, relating to the danger attending the storage and sale of Celluloid and Celluloid articles was read. No order made.

Deposit of Waste Paper in Streets Complaint re

Letter read from Mrs. L. L. McElderry, Paradise Place, drawing attention to the deposit of waste papers at night in Williams Street at the entrance to Paradise Place.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to attend to the matter.

State Aid re Loans Housing Schemes Petition to Parliament re

The Seal of the Corporation was authorized to be affixed to a Petition to Parliament in regard to the necessity for State Aid to meet the loss in carrying out Housing Schemes for the poorer section of the Working Classes.

Building Site Trinity St. Boyne Spinning & Weaving Co. (possession to be given by) —

Letter read from Mrs. W. J. D. Walker, Boyne Spinning & Weaving Co. Ltd. agreeing to hand up to the Corporation possession of a building site in Trinity Street, the lease of which would expire in March 1915.

The Town Clerk was authorized to arrange for taking over possession of the plot.

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23/1/14

1914
January
23rd

Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at the hour of noon on Friday the 23rd day of January 1914.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- J. Jordan, P. Lyons, P. B. Moore, P. Drew, T. McCullough, and L. J. Alcock.

Councillors:- J. Dolan, A. J. MacGuillan, L. Branigan, T. Byrne, J. Berrill, J. J. Callan, J. D. Kelly, L. Reddan, J. Davis, P. Lynch, J. Carolan, J. Clarke, T. V. MacGuillan, E. O'Connor, W. T. Heffington and L. Stanley.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Elections of Mayor 1914-15.

Councillor Lynch proposed —

That Councillor John Callaghan be re-elected to the position of Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1915.

Alderman Lyons seconded.

Alderman Jordan proposed the name of Councillor T. V. MacGuillan, Councillor O'Connor seconding.

Councillor John Callaghan appointed

On a Division being taken there voted for:-

Callaghan		MacGuillan	
Aldermen:	Alcock, McCullough, Lyons.	Aldermen:	Jordan, Drew, Moore.
Councillors:-	Noonan, Byrne, Davis, Lynch, Clarke, Callan, Reddan, Stanley, Branigan, Heffington. (13)	Councillors:	Kelly, Carolan, A. J. MacGuillan, Dolan, Berrill, O'Connor. (7)

The Chairman accordingly declared himself re-elected.

He thereupon made a Declaration of acceptance of Office, and having subscribed the Oaths of allegiance and the oath appertaining to the Office of Mayor was invested with the Chain of Office by the last Ex Mayor Alderman McCullough.

Adjournment

On the motion of Councillor Heffington seconded by Councillor Callan it was agreed to adjourn until the 4th February prox.

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Minutes of an adjourned Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at the hour of noon on Wednesday the 4th February 1914.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– S. Jordan, P. Drew, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons.

Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, J. S. Kelly, J. Carolan, J. Dolan, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Davis, F. Byrne, P. Lynch, D. Reddan, C. O'Connor, T. V. MacQuillan, W. T. Skeffington, D. Branigan, J. Berrill & J. J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, Councillor Noonan objecting.

Quarterly Meetings Dates of

Alderman Drew proposed, Councillor Stanley seconding:– "That the remaining Quarterly Meetings for the year be held at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the first Wednesday in April, the third Wednesday in July and the first Wednesday in October"

Motion put and carried.

Old Age Pensions Committee Nine members instead of Twenty

Councillor Callan proposed, Alderman Elcock seconding:– "That the Resolution of the Council fixing the number of members of the Old Age Pensions Committee for this Borough at twenty be and is hereby rescinded, and that the number of members of such Committee shall for the future be nine and shall consist of five members of the Council and four persons not being members of the Council."

Councillor Noonan moved an amendment which was not seconded and the motion was accordingly put and declared carried.

Appointment of Committees

The following Committees were appointed for the year ending 23rd January 1915, the Mayor being Ex officio Chairman of the first seven:–

Bye Laws and Markets Committee:–

Aldermen:– Lyons, Elcock, McCullough.

Councillors:– Reddan, Carolan, Branigan, Noonan, Berrill.

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Law and Finance Committee:

Aldermen:– Jordan, Drew, Elcock.

Councillors:– Dolan, Lynch, Stanley, Davis, Clarke.

Gas Works Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, McCullough, Drew, Moore.

Councillors:– Byrne, A. J. MacQuillan, Kelly, Lynch.

Water Works Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, Elcock, Jordan.

Councillors:– Branigan, Noonan, T. V. MacQuillan, O'Connor, Reddan.

Technical Instruction and Public Library Committee:

Aldermen:– McCullough, Moore.

Councillors:– Stanley, Skeffington, Lynch, T. V. MacQuillan.

Rt. Rev. Mgr. P. Segrave, Rev. Chancellor L. P. T. Ledoux, Vy. Rev. D. Flynn, Rev. T. R. Brunskill, W. J. D. Walker Esq. C.B. M. A. Casey Esq.

Housing Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, Jordan, Moore.

Councillors:– Callan, Davis, O'Connor, Lynch, Noonan.

Shops Act Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, Elcock, McCullough.

Councillors:– Davis, T. V. MacQuillan, Carolan, Branigan, Noonan.

School Attendance Committee:

Alderman P. Drew.

Councillors:– A. J. MacQuillan, Clarke, O'Connor, Byrne.

Rev. Chancellor Ledoux, Rev. A. Hall, P. McQuail Esq., T. Reilly Esq.

Old Age Pensions Committee:

Aldermen:– Jordan, Drew.

Councillors:– Dolan, Lynch, Skeffington,

Rt. Rev. Mgr. Segrave, Rev. Chancellor Ledoux, V. Rev. D. Flynn, Rev. T. R. Brunskill.

Payments

Payments ordered:– Borough Fund £590: 8: 3.
Public Library a/c 5: 14: 8
Artizans Dwellings Loan a/c 1: 10: 0.

Renewals of Leases

Applications for renewals of Leases were read from Messrs. Smyth & Son Solicitors on behalf of Mrs. Kate Branigan and from Mr. Lawrence Walsh.

The same were referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

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Housing Scheme
Plans to be prepared

Letter from the Local Government Board read, requesting to be furnished with plans of the works proposed to be carried out under the Loans recently applied for and with copy of a resolution adopting the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act.

Ordered that the preparation of the plans be proceeded with, and Resolved, on the motion of Councillor Keffington seconded by Councillor Callan:

Small Dwellings Acquisition Act
Resolution adopting same

"That this Council hereby undertakes to act under and to carry out the provisions of the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act 1899 and any rules or regulations made thereunder in so far as they may or can be applied to this Borough."

New Technical School
Bank of Ireland to prepare to advance £5000 for

A letter from the Agent Bank of Ireland, Drogheda, was read intimating that the Bank were prepared to advance a sum of £5000 for the building of the ~~old~~ new Technical School provided the account of the Technical Instruction Committee is kept with them.

The letter was considered satisfactory.

Canal Trackway
Letter to Joseph Nolan M.P.

Letter read from the Secretary to the Commissioners of Public Works stating that the Board had no power to carry out any works in connection the rampart or canal trackway from St. Dominicks Bridge to Bess-if-you-can.

A draft letter to Mr. Joseph Nolan M.P. on the subject was submitted and approved.

County Sanatorium
instead of County Tuberculosis Scheme

Letter read from the Secretary County Council of South forwarding copy of minutes of the County Council from which it appeared that the Council proposed to drop their present County Tuberculosis Scheme and to establish a County Sanatorium at Ravensdale instead.

It was decided to hold a Special Meeting on the 11th instant to consider the matter and to invite South County Councillors to attend.

Concreting ✓

The concreting of St. Catherine's Terrace footpath was ordered to be placed upon the next Schedule of works.

Jno. Callaghan 18/2/14

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 18th February 1914.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. Drew, J. McCullough, L.J. Elcock, P.R. Moore and P. Lyons.
Councillors:– J.V. MacGuillan, J. Clarke, J.D. Kelly, A.J. MacGuillan, J. Davis, B. Lynch, J. Dolan, D. Reddan, J.J. Callan, D. Branigan, W.J. Keffington, J. Berrill and P. Byrne.

Minutes
Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Chr. Tighe
Condolence

On the motion of Councillor Keffington seconded by Councillor Kelly a Vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with the family of the late Mr. Christopher Tighe.

Sisters of Charity
Water Supply
Fire charge at £6 per annum ✓

A Report of the Waterworks Committee intimating that they could not agree upon the price to be charged to the Sisters of Charity for the Water Supply to the Convent and Schools and giving particulars of the consumption was read.

On the motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Councillor Noonan it was agreed to give the supply at a fixed charge of £6 per annum.

Concreting ✓

Upon her application it was agreed to concrete the footpath in front of Margaret Callan's premises Magdalene Street.

Finance Act 1909
Valuations under

An application of Thomas Joyce C.C. in connection with valuations under the Finance Act 1909 was read.

Platten Rd. Cottages
Complaints from tenants re defects in

A Communication from the tenants of the Platten Road Cottages complaining of certain defects was read and referred to the Housing Committee.

Arising out of a Resolution received from the Dundalk Urban Council it was proposed by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Lyons and Resolved:–

"That we the Corporation of Drogheda, are unable to agree with the views

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County Sanatorium Resolution re

views of the Urban District Council of Dundalk upon the proposal of the County Council of Louth to acquire Annaverna House for a County Sanatorium, being of the opinion that the needs of the workers and the deserving poor would be better met by sending patients to Peamount, and that a considerable economy will thereby be effected.

The Capital sum of £840 invested in Peamount will not be lost, and the future liability will be only £1 per patient per week which will gradually reduce should the effort now being made to stamp out consumption prove successful.

To equip Annaverna House as a County Sanatorium would entail an expenditure of about £1000, in addition to the cost of purchase and its maintenance would be costly and a permanent charge. Another important consideration is climatic conditions; Ravendale does not compare favourably in this respect with Peamount or indeed with other parts of County Louth."

Jno. Callaghan
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1914. March 4th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 4th March 1914.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- F. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. B. Moore, and P. Lyons.

Councillors:- J. Clarke, F. Byrne, P. Lynch, J. Davis, J. S. Kelly, J. Berrill, D. Branigan, D. Reddan, J. Dolan & W. T. Skeffington.

Notice

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments

Payments Ordered: Borough Fund £2651:1:2.
Artizans Dwellings 13:10:9
Public Library 4:10:6.

Auditor's Report March 1913

The Auditor's Report upon the Accounts for the year ending the 31st March 1913 was under consideration and adjourned to next meeting.

The consideration of a Report of the Gas Works Committee was adjourned to next meeting.

Lighting of Street Lamps 30th Sept. to 31st March

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Alderman Moore moved:-

"That all Street Lamps be lighted every night from 30th Septr. to 31st March."

Having been seconded by Councillor Noonan the motion was put and declared carried.

Solicitor's Costs Requisition to tax

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to a Requisition to Tax the costs of the Solicitor to the Corporation.

Votes of Condolence Acknowledgment of

Letters of thanks for the votes of Condolence with the family of the late Mr. C. Tighe and the family of Councillor Carolan were read.

Concreting

Upon her application it was agreed to concrete the footpath in front of Mrs. M. McEvoy's premises Windmill Lane.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at eleven o'clock forenoon on Wednesday the 18th March 1914

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- J. McCullough, L. J. Alcock, P. Lyons, P. B. Moore and P. Drew.

Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, J. Byrne, J. Carolan, A. J. Macquillan, E. O'Connor, J. Dolan, S. Brannigan, J. J. Callan, J. Berrill, S. Reddan, J. D. Kelly, and W. T. Heffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Auditor's Report — The Report of the Auditor upon his audit of the Accounts for the financial year ending 31st March 1913 was discussed.

No order made thereon.

Gas Works Committee Report
Tenders for Steel Tubing — Reports of Gas Works Committee read asking approval of acceptance of tenders of British Mannesmann Tube Co. Ltd. and Stewarts and Lloyds Ltd. for 2000 yards of 2" Steel Tube at 5¼ per foot, and 1440 yards of 4" at 9¾ per foot and 540 yards of 3" at 7½ per foot.

Ranges in positions of Lamps St. Mary's Bridge &c. — Recommending removal of lamp at bottom of Old Hill to opposite side and changes in position of lamps on St. Marys Bridge.

Abstract of Accts
Comparison with preceding year — And giving a comparison of the Abstract of accounts for the past financial year with that of the preceding year.

The reports were adopted.

Boro' Surveyor's Dept
Report re expenditure thereon — Reports of the Borough Surveyor upon the expenditure of his Department for the financial year ending 31st March 1913 read.

No order made.

The following report of the Law and Finance Committee was read and adopted on the motion of Alderman Moore seconded by Councillor Kelly upon the understanding that there would

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would be an all round increase of 2/- per week in the wages of the workmen and not as recommended in the report.

Petroleum Licences 1/- per year

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

We have had before us the applications received - 49 - for license to store and sell Petroleum and we recommend that these be issued to all the present applicants, and that after the 1st April next all unlicensed persons engaged in the sale of Petroleum shall be proceeded against. We are of the opinion that future applications should only be granted when the Borough Surveyor has pronounced the premises to be suitable. The fee provided by Statute is 5/-, and we recommend that this sum be charged for each license.

Horse Feeding Tender L. Briody

We recommend that the tender of Mr. Laurence Briody for Horse Feeding viz: White Oats (whole) @ 12/- per barrel/; White Oats (crushed) @ 12/6 per barrel, and Bran @ 7/6 per cwt. be accepted, this being the cheapest tender received.

Chr. McDermott Yearly tenancy Premis. John St

We have agreed to let to Mr. Christopher McDermott, Shop Street, as a yearly tenancy at a rent of £5 the premises in John Street, of which Mr. Branigan was formerly tenant and Mr. McDermott occupier, upon the understanding that the latter will pay the arrears of rent due. It was necessary to eject Mr. Branigan for non-payment.

Mr. Hardman & Sons Adjustment of Rent

An arrangement has been come to with Messrs T. W. Hardman & Sons whereby they have agreed to accept a cheque for £70. 12. 5 in discharge of their claim for £85. 16. 0 for rent due to the 1st Novr. last out of premises on the east side of Dominick Street and to accept in future a rent of £62. 2. 2 in lieu of the rent previously paid of £65. 11. 8.

Purchase of £100 Dublin Corpn. Stock

We have directed the buying of £100 of Dublin Corporation Stock to represent the purchase money received from Mr. M. A. Casey for the field upon the south side of Newfoundwell Road.

Caretaker Mayoralty House - Increase of 2/- per week

We have received an application from the Caretaker of the Mayoralty House for an increase in wages and have granted an increase of 2/- per week.

Patrick Bellew Offer of alternative site for Labourers Cottage Manemore

An application was received from Mr. Patrick Bellew for permission to offer to the Louth Rural District Council as an alternative site for a Labourers' Cottage and plot portion of a ~~fi~~ field on the east side of the road leading from Hardman's Garden. As the field in question is the only one in that locality which Mr. Bellew holds from the Corporation; its area small, and its frontage to the road narrow, we considered the request unreasonable, and accordingly did not accede to it. No Acquisition Notice whatever was served on the Corporation, and there does not appear to be any valid reason for not acquiring the site originally selected.

The latter day tendency of Municipalities is to acquire land on the borders of towns for Municipal development instead of disposing of it.

Workmens increase in wages. 2/- per week increase all round

We have held two special meetings to consider the application of the Workmen for an increase in wages and at the first of them we discussed the question with the mens representatives.

We had before us a Return of wages paid in 17 other towns from which it appeared that the average wage paid to Scavengers was 17/- and to Carters 17/9, and that the ~~xxxxgx~~ standard wage paid by private employers was 16/-. We were informed that the standard wage in Drogheda for Labourers had been raised to 17/- and for Carters to 19/- the wages at present paid by you.

However, as there appears to have been a pretty generaly increase in wages all round we have fixed the wages of the Scavengers at 18/- and the Carters at 20/-, and gave the Borough Surveyor a direction to consider whether the practice of requiring the men to work on Sunday mornings cannot be dispensed with.

Mr. Kelly, Duleek St Fixing of Fair Rent by Co. Court Valuer

An Originating Notice to have a Fair Rent fixed by the County Court Judge was served on behalf of Mr. Michael Kelly of Duleek Street in respect of a holding at Bryanstown containing 9ac. 3rds. 2per. Statute the lease of which will expire at the 29th September next. A suggestion was made to Mr. Kelly that neither side should employ a Valuer and abide by the rent fixed by the Court Valuer. Mr. Kelly has agreed and accordingly this course will be taken.

Dated 14th March, 1914.

JOHN CALLAGHAN,
Chairman.

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County Council Demand

The Demand of the County Council for the ensuing financial year was submitted, there being an increase of £555 over the preceding year.

A report of the Town Clerk shewing how the increase had occurred was read.

No order made.

On the motion of alderman Moore, seconded by Councillor Byrne, Councillor Berrill was appointed a member of the Distress Committee in room of Mr. P.D. McEvoy.

Civic Exhibition
Prize Plans for Town Improvements

A Communication from Lady Aberdeen suggesting that the Council should offer prizes for plans of Town Improvement and exhibit the selected one at the forthcoming Civic Exhibition was read.

No order made.

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April 1st

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room Court House at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 1st day of April 1914.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. McCullough, L.J. Alcock, and P. Lyons.
Councillors:- J. Byrne, J. Dolan, J. J. Kelly, J. V. Macquillan, J. Davis, A. J. Macquillan, T. Reddan, C. O'Connor, W.J. Keffington, J. Berrill and P. Lynch.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages sheet examined and passed.

Payments

Payments ordered:-

Borough Fund	£500:12:6
Public Library	10:0:6

David Sheridan
Shops Act prosecution

Report of Shops Act Inspector read intimating that David Sheridan, North Quay, had been fined 10/- with 10/- costs for a breach of Shops Act.

No order made.

Vote of Condolence
T.D. Sullivan

Councillor Keffington proposed and alderman Alcock seconded:-

"That we place on record our keen sense of the loss that Ireland has sustained through the death of the late T.D. Sullivan, Patriot, Poet, Statesmen, who during his whole life was an unflinching champion of the cause of Irish Nationality."

Motion put and carried unanimously.

Fire Alarm Telephone
Agreement executed

An Agreement with the Postmaster General for the erection of a Fire Alarm Telephone was this day executed.

New Technical School
Sketch Plans
Alternative Plans to be Submitted

Sketch Plans of the proposed new Technical School were submitted.

Ordered that the architects be requested to furnish alternative plans.

Boyne Canal

Letter read from Mr. Patrick White M.P. drawing attention to the fact that a Company was being formed to take over the Boyne Canal.

Ordered

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Ordered that the County Council of Meath be communicated with on the subject.

Stopping of Mail Train at Drogheda

Letter read from Mr. W. J. S. Walker B.B. intimating that there was a possibility of the morning mail train not stopping at Drogheda. Letters to Mr. J. Nolan M.P. on the subject were also read.

Ordered that a telegram be sent to Mr. Nolan enquiring what steps he had taken in the matter.

P. J. Corcoran
Complaint & delay in preparation of Conveyance &c

Letter read from Mr. P. J. Corcoran complaining that he had not received the Conveyance of his plot on Old Corn Market Hill.

Ordered that a copy of the letter be sent to the Solicitor to the Corporation for his observations thereon.

Estate Duty Grant
Sanitary Salaries
Trades Boards Act 1909

Circular Letters from the Local Government relating to Estate Duty Grant, Contributions to Sanitary Salaries and the Trades Boards Act 1909, read.

No order made.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 15th day of April 1914.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Drew, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, J. J. Kelly, L. Stanley, J. Byrne, D. Redden, J. V. MacQuillan, A. J. Macquillan, E. O'Connor, J. Nolan, and J. Berrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages sheet examined and passed.

New Technical School
Plans approved

The Plans of the proposed new Technical School as prepared amended by the architects, Messrs. W. H. Byrne & Son, were submitted for approval.

The same having been examined it was ordered that they be forwarded to the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction and when sanctioned brought before the Council for final approval.

Condolence
Acknowledgment of

Letter read from Mrs. Erina Healy expressing her thanks to the Council for the vote of condolence passed upon the death of her father, the late T. D. Sullivan.

Admission of Carmen to Railway Station

Letter read from the General Manager Great Northern Railway Company declining to alter the arrangement for the admission of carmen to the station.

Ordered that the letter be brought before the Bye Laws and Markets Committee.

Tenants Bredin St.
Complaint re trespass of Fowl

A Communication from the Tenants of the Bredin Street cottages, complaining of the trespass of fowl, was read and referred to the Rent Collector with instructions that no tenant should be allowed to keep fowl unless within a space enclosed with wire netting.

Workmens Wages

Letter read from the Secretary Dock Labourers Union complaining that certain workmen of the Corporation were only being paid 4/- per week.

No order made.

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May 6th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the 6th day of May 1914

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen: – L.J. Elcock, J. McCullough, P.B. Moore, P. Shaw,

Councillors: – J. Clarke, J. Byrne, J.J. Kelly, J. Davis, C. O'Connor, J. Dolan, D. Branigan, J. Bevill, W.J. Keffington, J.V. Macquillan and J.J. Callan

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments

Payments ordered: – Borough Fund £911-13-6
Public Library 10-0-10

The consideration of a report of the Bye Laws and Markets Committee dealing with the admission of Farmer to the Railway Station was adjourned to next meeting.

Gas to Millmount Barrack
Agreement executed

An Agreement with the War Department for a supply of Gas to Millmount Barracks was this day executed.

St. Peter's Cemetery Manimore
Correction of error in Conveyance

A Deed Poll endorsed upon the Conveyance dated 5th July 1893 unto the late monsignor Robert Murphy P.P., of ground at Manimore, now St. Peters Cemetery, rectifying an error in said Conveyance whereby such ground was conveyed for a life estate only and not in fee simple as was intended was this day executed.

Labourers Cottage Manimore
Consent to Acquisition

An application of the Louth Rural District Council of Drogheda Union for Consent to the acquisition of a plot of ground at Manimore for a Labourers Cottage was acceded to.

Civic Exhibition
Loan of Old Maps for

at their request it was decided to lend to the Civic Exhibition the old Maps of the town for exhibition.

An invitation of the Corporation of Dublin to a meeting

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meeting on the 26th May in connection with the celebration of the anniversary of the Battle of Clontarf was read.

Anniversary of Battle of Clontarf

The Mayor, Alderman Elcock and Councillors Keffington and Macquillan were deputed to attend.

Housing Fund
Corporation's share

Communication from the Local Government Board read intimating that the Corporation's contribution share of the Housing Fund for the past financial year amounted to £120:13:4. No order made.

Old Jail Corn Market
Use by Irish Volunteers for Rifle Range & Drilling Ground

Upon the application of the Honorary Secretary it was decided to grant to the Drogheda Branch of the Irish National Volunteers permission to use the old Jail premises as a Rifle Range and the Corn Market for drilling.

Resolutions of the Meath Teachers association with regard to the payment of teachers were read and adopted.

Prohibition of the importation of Foreign Straw

A Resolution of the Tipperary N.R. County Committee of Agriculture demanding the prohibition of the importation of foreign straw as bedding in consequence of the outbreaks of Foot and Mouth disease was read and adopted.

Trades Boards Act

Read, Circular Letter from the Local Government Board relating to the Trades Boards Act 1909.

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May 20th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 20th day of May 1914.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen - T. McCullough, P. B. Moore.
Councillors - J. Clarke, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, J. S. Kelly, J. Carolan, J. Davis, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Dolan, C. O'Connor, J. J. Callan, J. Berrill, W. T. Skeffington and D. Branigan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Condolence

On the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor Byrne, a vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with Alderman Elcock upon the death of his brother.

Mayoralty House
Return of Receipts & Expd.

A Report of the Town Clerk upon the Receipts and Expenditure of the Mayoralty House for the past financial year was read.

Ordered that cleaning and some slight repairs be carried out.

Admission of Carmen to Railway Station
Licenses not to be granted to Carmen plying in Station yard

Read, a Report of the Dye Laws and Markets Committee dealing with the admission of Carmen to the Railway Station and setting out the circumstances under which a portion of the carmen are prohibited from plying for hire at the Station. The report recommended that the present agreement of a section of the Carmen with the Railway Company should be brought to an end and with that object that only the men who are kept outside should be granted renewals of their licenses, and that in future only carmen who have no other means of livelihood should be granted licenses.

The report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by Councillor Byrne.

Report of Law and Finance Committee upon the striking

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striking of Rates for the current financial year read.

Report on Striking of Rates

The report recommended:

1. That no concreting work whatever should be undertaken during the present year
2. That provision should not be made for the payment of the Solicitor's costs.
3. That only a penny rate should be struck for Technical Education.
4. That a reduction of £500 in the expenditure of the Borough Surveyor's department should be relied upon; and
5. That a Consolidated Rate of 4/- and a Sanitary Rate of 1/4 be struck.

Councillor Davis proposed and Councillor Stanley seconded, that the Report be and is hereby adopted.

Alderman Moore moved as an amendment which was seconded by Councillor Berrill, that provision be made for the erection of partition walls at the rere of the workmens dwellings in Windmill Lane.

Only the proposer and seconder being in favour of the amendment the motion was put and declared carried.

Councillor Skeffington thereupon moved:

Rate Resolutions

"That a Consolidated Municipal Rate of forty eight pence in the pound be made, applotted, levied, assessed and raised within the Borough for the financial year ending the 31st day of March 1915 upon and off the owners occupiers or tenants of all hereditaments rateable for the relief of the destitute poor in Ireland; thirty five pence farthing in the pound of such rate being to meet general District Poor Rate Charges, ten pence three farthings to meet Borough Charges for the maintenance of the Public Works transferred from the Grand Jury under the Local Government Ireland Act 1898, one penny to meet the expenses of the Public Library and one penny to meet the expenses of the Technical School.

And that a Sanitary Rate of sixteen pence in the pound be made, applotted, levied, assessed and raised under the provisions of section 226 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878, to meet the expenses of the Water Supply for the District."

Councillor Kelly having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried whereupon the Estimates were submitted and

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and approved and the Rate Book and Collector's Warrant duly executed and sealed.

Lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rate

The Rate Collector's lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for the half year ending 31st March amounting to £15:16:0 and £56:10:- Consolidated Rate and £5:11: and £20:16:8 Sanitary Rate were submitted and approved.

School Attendance Committee Appointment of

The following were appointed members of the School Attendance Committee to serve for three years from the 1st July next: Alderman P. Drew; Councillors - A. J. MacGuillan, Clarke, Kelly and Branigan.

County Veterinary Inspector

Letter read from the Secretary County Council of Louth intimating that the Corporation had no power to call on the services of the Veterinary Inspector of the County Council as an Inspector of Meat exposed for sale and of Dairy Animals within the Urban District

No order made.

Decasualization of Labour employed by Local Authorities

A communication from the Labour Exchange in relation to the decasualization of labour employed by Local Authorities was submitted.

The same was referred to the Borough Surveyor.

It was decided not to advertise the attractions of the district in the Dublin Corporation Official Guide.

Insurance on old Maps

The Town Clerk was authorized to fix the amount of Insurance on the old maps to be lent for the Civic Exhibition.

An application from the Misses Smith Greenhills for additional lamps was not acceded to.

A memorial handed in by Thomas Corry was submitted.

No order made

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the assembly Room Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the 3rd day of June 1914.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- P. Drew, J. McCullough, P. Lyons and P.D. Moore

Councillors:- J. Clarke, J. J. Kelly, L. Stanley, J. Byrne, J. Davis, A. J. MacGuillan, J. Dolan, C. O'Connor, J. J. Callan, W. T. Heffernan, and J. Carroll.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages Payments

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £854:4:0
Public Library £5:16:11.

Shops Act Breach of regulations by Peter Lyons

Report of Shops Act Inspector read intimating that he found one Assistant at 1.35 p.m. and two Assistants at 2.30 p.m. on the Bakery premises of Mr Peter Lyons, West Street upon Thursday the 21st May, contrary to the Shops act notice fixing Thursday for the Half-Holiday.

No order made.

George Cooney Lease for 99 years executed

A Lease unto George Cooney of premises upon the east side of Beamore Road for a term of 99 years from the 25th March 1914 at the yearly rent of £3, with Covenants to expend £200 upon building and to insure in the sum of £200 was this day executed.

Housing Scheme Erection of 2 Five-Roomed & 4 four-roomed Houses Trinity St & 6 four-roomed Houses Potato Market & 3 roomed Houses Francis St.

Read a Report of the Housing Committee recommending the erection of a block of two five-roomed and 4 four-roomed dwellings upon a vacant site on the South side of Trinity St; a block of 6 four-roomed dwellings upon a vacant site on the north side of the Potato Market (to be reserved for the Fire Brigade); and a block of 2 four-roomed and 6 three-roomed dwellings upon a vacant site on the west side of Francis Street; the adoption of plans and site plans for the same, and that tenders which had been obtained to be opened and considered.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor

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Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor O'Connor.

The plans referred to were submitted and approved and the tenders received (2) were considered. That of Messrs S. Scully & Son, Fair Street, being the cheaper - undertaking to build three blocks of Cottages for the sum of three thousand, two hundred and ninety seven pounds & Eighteen shillings - was accepted

Plans approved
Messrs S. Scully & Son
Contractors tender accepted

A Notice of Motion of Councillor Noonan in regard to the Workmen was ruled out of order.

Condolence Acknowledgment of

Letter read from Alderman Elcock thanking the Council for the vote of Condolence passed with him on the death of his brother.

Lists of Arrears & Last Rates approved by L.G.B.

Letter read from the Local Government Board returning the Rate Collector's Lists of Arrears and Last Rates for the half Year to 31st March approved and making observations in connection therewith.

The Town Clerk was directed to reply to such observations.

Surplus from Sale of Dog Licences

Letter read from the Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks' Office intimating that the surplus coming to the Urban District of Drogheda from the sale of Dog Licences amounted to £33: 17: 5.

No order made.

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June 17th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 17th day of June 1914.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- O. Drew, J. McCullough, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, J. Davis, A. J. MacAuillan, J. J. Kelly, D. Reddan, J. Dolan, J. J. Callan, C. O'Connor, J. Berrill, W. J. Skeffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Notices of Motion ruled out of order

Notices of Motion of Councillor Noonan dealing with Concreting and the employment of Workmen and of Alderman Moore dealing with the charge of water supply to Laud were ruled out of order.

New Technical School Plans approved

Plans of the proposed new Technical School were submitted and explained by the Architect.

The Plans as amended in compliance with the requirements of the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction with the original elevation were approved on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Callan

Consecration of Oliver Plunkett Church Corporation attend in State at

The invitation of Archdeacon Segrave conveyed by His Worship the Mayor to attend in State at the Consecration of the Oliver Plunkett Memorial Church was accepted on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Dolan

General Holiday

Alderman Moore proposed and Councillor Berrill seconded that the various Traders and Shop keepers be asked to recognise Monday the 29th June as a General Holiday.

Car Inspector's Report

Annual Report of Car Inspector read recommending renewals of licences to the various Drivers & Proprietors except in respect of Nos. 49, 41, 45 and 29.

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The report was adopted.

Freedom of the Borough most Rev. John J. Glennon D.D. Archbishop of St. Louis

It was proposed by Councillor Kelly and seconded by Councillor O'Connor that steps be taken to confer the Freedom of the Borough upon His Grace The Most Rev. John J. Glennon D.D., Archbishop of St. Louis.

Arms Proclamation Resolution re withdrawal of

A Resolution of the County Council of Limerick calling upon the Government to withdraw the Arms Proclamation was read and adopted unanimously on the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Alderman McCullough.

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Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the ~~20~~ 30th day of June 1914.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– L. J. Elcock, P. B. Moore, S. Jordan, P. Drew, P. Lyons.
Councillors:– W. T. Skeffington, J. Davis, C. O'Connor, T. V. MacQuillan, A. J. MacQuillan, L. Stanley

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Freedom of the Borough conferred on His Grace The Most Rev. John J. Glennon Archbishop of St. Louis

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Skeffington moved:–

"That we, the Corporation of Drogheda, in exercise of the powers conferred by the Municipal Privileges Act do hereby admit His Grace The Most Reverned John J. Glennon D.D., Archbishop of St. Louis, as an Honorary Freeman of this Borough in recognition of his very distinguished career and of the exalted position which he holds in the Church to which the vast majority of the people of this his native country belong."

The motion having been seconded by Alderman Elcock was put and declared unanimously carried, whereupon Archbishop Glennon signed the Honorary Roll of Freemen.

Jno. Callaghan 15/7/14

1914.
July 1st

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 1st day of July 1914.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, J. J. Callan, C. O'Connor, & W. T. Skeffington.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments

The following A/cs. were passed subject to examination by the Law & Finance Committee:

Borough Fund	£318 : 4 : 4
Public Library	5 : 11 : 7

Lease to Burne & Telfer Foundry premises

The action of the Law & Finance Committee in agreeing to grant a lease to messrs William Telfer and Thomas Irwin Burne of the premises in Graves' Lane known as the Ironworks premises for a term of 31 years at the yearly rent of £12 was approved on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Byrne

Bellewstown Races adjournment

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Noonan it was agreed to adjourn the transaction of the remaining business for a fortnight, this day being one of the days of Bellewstown Races.

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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the 15th July 1914.

Present:

In the chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- L.J. Alcock, J. McCullough, P. Lyons, P.B. Moore and S. Jordan.

Councillors:- L. Stanley, J. Clarke, J. Byrne, J. Carolan, J. Davis, A.J. Macquillan, P. Lynch, J.V. Macquillan, C. O'Connor, J.J. Callan, and J.A. Kelly.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages sheet examined and passed.

Report of Borough Surveyor read giving particulars of work performed by his Department for the past quarter.

Reports of Gas Works Committee read intimating:

Tenders for Coal for Gas Works

That twenty one tenders for coal had been received and that those of Jas. McKelvie & Co. and Harold Nickson & Co. of Liverpool at 13/- and 13/9 respectively for 1650 tons each had been accepted.

Revision of Valuation on Works

That a revision of the Valuation of the Gas Works had taken place which had increased the valuation and that a further revision had been applied for.

The reports were adopted on the motion of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Byrne.

Labourers Cottages Bryanstown & Legavooren Receipts sealed

Receipts for £21:17:0 and £37:19:0 representing the price fixed by the arbitrator for the acquisition by the Meath Rural District Council of Drogheda Union of two plots of land for labourers cottages containing two roods and one acre situate at Bryanstown and Legavooren respectively upon holdings in the occupation of William J. Carbery and John Moore (Mrs. Frances E. Knott tenant) were this day executed.

Housing Contract Local labour & materials to be employed

Letter read from Messrs. O'Kelly Bros., Contractors, undertaking to employ local labour and local materials as

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as far as possible in the carrying out of their contract for the erection of artizans dwellings.

The Borough Surveyor was authorized to arrange with the Contractors for the use of local materials for window sills and doorsteps at if necessary a small extra cost.

Notice of Audit

Communication from the Local Government auditor read, intimating that he would commence the audit of the accounts for the financial year ending 31st March 1914 on the 28th July, at 10 o'clock a.m.

Deputation from Trades Council re dismissal of Workmen

Read, letter from the Secretary Drogheda Trades Council suggesting that the Council should meet a deputation from the Trades Council to discuss the dismissal by the Borough Surveyor of some workmen.

Councillor Noonan proposed that the request be acceded to. Alderman Moore seconded.

Bor. Surveyor to meet deputation

The Mayor proposed as an amendment which was seconded by Alderman Lyons - that the Borough Surveyor should meet the deputation.

A Division was taken when there voted -

For the amendment - Aldermen - Jordan, Alcock, Lyons.
Councillors - Davis, A.J. Macquillan, Lynch, Byrne, Clarke, Stanley, Callan, J.V. MacQuillan, O'Connor and the Mayor (13).

Against the amendment - Aldermen - Moore, McCullough.
Councilors - Noonan, Kelly, Carolan (5).

The Amendment was thereupon put as a substantive motion and declared carried by the same voting.

Jno Wm Cullough 5/8/14

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August 5th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on the 5th day of August 1914.

Present:

In the Chair – Alderman D. McCullough.
Aldermen:– L. J. Allcock, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, J. O. Kelly, J. J. Callan, C. O'Connor, J. Berrill, J. Davis.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Minuted
Wages sheet examined and passed.
Payments
Payments ordered:– Borough Fund £724:7:7.
Artizans Dwellings 280:0:0
Public Library 15:19:1.

The following Report of the Water Works Committee was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Noonan, Alderman Moore and Councillor Berrill dissenting:

Water Supply to land
Acreage charge

"Your Committee have had their attention drawn to the fact that only a few of the persons who have the public water supply laid on to their lands are required to pay for it, and that in fairness there ought either to be a general charge or no charge at all. We decided to follow the course adopted in other places – to make an acreable charge. There was a difference of opinion as to what it should be, the sum suggested varying from 10/- to 2/6 per acre. A special meeting was finally convened at which we unanimously agreed upon a charge of 5/- per acre and your approval of it is accordingly asked for."

Dated 29th July 1914 John Callaghan Chairman.

List of Tenements for Revision of Valuation

Lists of Tenements requiring revision of valuation were submitted and approved.

a letter from E. J. Donovan relating to the condition of the roadway at the Ballring was read.

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Industrial Conference Delegates to.

The Mayor, Councillor Davis and the Town Clerk were appointed delegates to the Tenth all-Ireland Industrial Conference to be held in Newry on the 15th, 16th and 17th Septr. with authority to invite the next Conference to Drogheda.

Shops Act 1912
Saturday suggested as Half-Holiday

A circular letter from the Under Secretary Dublin Castle, inviting the views of the Corporation upon the working of the Shops Act 1912, was read.

It was unanimously agreed to say that in the opinion of the Council Saturday should be made a general half Holiday throughout the country and that the Inspector under the act should be employed by the State.

Equipment of Irish Volunteers

Upon the motion of Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor Kelly it was unanimously Resolved:–

"That we appreciate and endorse the statement made by Mr. J. E. Redmond in the House of Commons with reference to the attitude of the Irish Volunteers in this supreme crisis in the history of our Empire, and that we call upon the Government at the earliest possible moment to take the necessary steps to equip this volunteer force in such a manner as will make it thoroughly effective when its services are called on".

Jno. Callaghan
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1914.
August 19th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 19th day of August 1914.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. Jordan, L. J. Elcock, J. McCullough.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, D. Reddan, J. Dolan, C. O'Connor, J. J. Callan.

Minutes

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Sloblands Conveyance Payment of £90 by Harbour Board to Board of Trade for

Communication from the Secretary Drogheda Harbour Commissioners read, requesting the approval of the Council to a payment by the Harbour Board of £90 to the Board of Trade for a Conveyance to the Commissioners and the Corporation as joint Tenants of the Sloblands at St. James and a lease to the Commissioners of the unreclaimed Sloblands at a rent of £1:8:0.

It was agreed to assent to the course proposed to be taken on the understanding that about two acres of reclaimed foreshore east of the boundary wall of the reclaimed foreshore known as St. James would be included in the Conveyance.

Boyne Canal Striking of rate for maintenance of

On the motion of alderman Elcock seconded by Councillor Noonan it was unanimously Resolved:-

"That subject to compliance with the provisions of the Borough Funds (Ireland) Act 1888 and other Acts if necessary and to its being ascertained whether the Corporation is in a position legally to do so we do hereby agree to contribute towards the maintenance of the Boyne Canal a sum not exceeding in any one year the amount which could be raised by the imposition of a farthing rate upon the Borough; and for the first year a sum not exceeding the imposition of a halfpenny rate."

Communications from the Local Government Board relating to Distress in consequence of the Weir were submitted.
No order made.

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1914.
August 24th
Special meeting

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Monday the 24th day of August 1914.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. McCullough, L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, D. Byrne, J. J. Kelly, D. Reddan, J. Davis, J. J. Callan, J. Dolan, C. O'Connor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Water Supply Shortage of

The threatened shortage in the water supply was under consideration. The report of the Town Clerk to the Water Works Committee upon the subject was read and the steps taken by the Committee to curtail the supply were explained.

After a protracted discussion it was decided that the only course open to the Council was to put the town upon a continuous day supply of twelve hours, and to invest the Borough Surveyor with authority to take such steps as he might consider necessary to conserve the supply.

Jno Callaghan 2/9/14

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September 2nd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 2nd day of September 1914.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– P. Drew, L.J. Elcock.

Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, D. Reddan, J.J. Kelly, J. Byrne, J. Davis, C. O'Connor, J.J. Callan, and J. Derrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes – The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages – Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments – Payments ordered:

Borough Fund	£2,612:17:3
Public Library	5:11:1
Artizans Dwellings a/c	350:0:0

Water Supply Boro' Surveyor's Report re decrease in Reservoirs

Report of Borough Surveyor read intimating that Darraltin Reservoir had fallen 3½", from 20' 8" to 20' 11½", and Killincarr 1'4", from 16'3" to 17'7", since 24th August, and that he had measured and taken levels at Darraltin and estimated that it contained about 7000000 gallons.

He further verbally reported that the present daily consumption was about 2400000 gallons.

No order made.

Law & Finance Com. Report Sale to Mgr. Segrave Ground Magdalene Towers

Report of Law and Finance Committee read, recommending:

a Sale to Mgr. P. Segrave, for a consideration of £10, of a derelict space of ground adjoining on the North side the vacant ground around Magdalene Towers upon which it is intended to erect a Hospital.

Peter Downey lease of plot Barrack St

A lease to Mr. Peter Downey for 75 years at a rent of 10/- of a plot of ground at the top of Barrack Street.

Peter McNamara lease of premises Dyer St & Shop Street.

A Lease unto Mr. Peter McNamara for a term of 75 years at a rent of £30, of premises in his occupation in Dyer Street and Shop Street and adjoining vacant premises No. 24 Shop Street. Not less than £1500 to be expended on improvements.

Byrne & Telfer Lease of foundry premises

A lease unto Hon. Irwin Byrne and William Telfer of the property on the east side of Graves Lane known as the Iron Works

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Works premises for 31 years at a rent of £12 per annum. The lease to contain a clause that the tenants may surrender on six months notice at the end of 3, 6, or 10 years.

Mrs. Kate Branigan lease of plot Oulster Lane

A Lease unto Mrs. Kate Branigan for 99 years with the consent of the Local Government Board or alternatively for 75 years, at a rent of £1. of a plot of ground on the West side of Oulster Lane, six workmens dwellings to be erected thereon according to plans to be approved by the Borough Surveyor.

George Greene Yearly tenancy 'Pages Mill'

A Tenancy to Mr. George Greene of the premises in his occupation known as 'Pages Mill' yellowbatter, at a rent of £12, the premises to be put into repair, and a condition to be inserted in the lease that the Corporation will be at liberty to so arrange and deal with the surplus water as they may think fit.

Michael Kelly Fair Rent

And intimating that a Fair Rent of £12:7:0 had been fixed by the County Court Judge upon a holding of Michael Kelly at Boyanstown the lease of which expired in March last, the former rent being £10:2:2. Neither Solicitor or valuer was employed.

House Fair St to be let as Yearly tenancy

Further intimating that a vacant house in Fair Street of which Miss Anne Rourke had given up possession was being put into repair by the Borough Surveyor and would be set as a yearly or weekly tenancy.

The report was adopted unanimously.

Admission of Carmen to Railway Station

Having explained to the Council the steps that had been taken by the Hackney Carriages Committee to effect a settlement of the question of admission of all carmen to the Railway Station and that such steps had failed, the Town Clerk was authorized to bring prosecutions against certain carmen for plying for hire without licenses as advised by the Solicitor to the Corporation.

Temporary Licences to Carmen not to be granted

It was unanimously agreed that in future no temporary licences on Race Days &c. should be granted and that all persons other than licensed carmen found plying for hire on such days should be prosecuted.

Jno. Callaghan
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1914.
September 16th.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock, in the forenoon on Wednesday the 16th day of September 1914.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- P. Dreny, T. McCullough, P. Lyons
Councillors:- J. Clarke, J. Kelly, J. Carolan, D. Reddan, A. J. McQuillan, F. Boyne, T. V. McQuillan, J. J. Callan, J. Davis, J. Bernie

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed
Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Minutes
Wages

Letter from Mr. John Spice of Navan, read, suggesting that the Corporation, the Harbour Board, the Rural Councils of Navan and of Drogheda, and the Navan Urban Council, should appoint representatives to discuss the action of the County Council of Meath in refusing to undertake the maintenance of the Boyne Canal.

Boyne Canal
Refusal of Meath Co. Council to undertake maintenance of

The suggestion was approved and the Mayor, Alderman Elcock and Councillor T. V. McQuillan were deputed to represent the Corporation.

Communications from the Drogheda Traders' Council and the Drogheda Painters' Society suggesting that Dominick's Bridge, the Free Library, and the Whitworth Hall, should be painted. were read.

Ordered that the Finance Committee do take the matter into consideration

Read communications from the Local Government Board:

Auditor's Report March 1914. ✓

1. Transmitting copy of the Auditor's Report together with certified copy of the Abstract of Accounts of his audit of the Accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for the year ending 31st March last.

John Craig accident to

2. Transmitting copy of a letter received from John Craig John Street in relation to an accident which befel him while in the employment of the Distress Committee.

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Employees joining H.M. Forces

Housing Loan
Final Instalment ✓

3. Dealing with the application of the Trade Board's Act 1909 to the Contracts of Local Authorities.

4. Explaining the arrangements Local Authorities may adopt in the case of any of their Employees should join His majesty's forces.

5. Intimating that they had recommended the Commissioners of Public Works to issue to the Corporation a final instalment of £350 being the balance of the second loan of £5000 for the erection of Workmen's Dwellings.

6. Intimating that they had recommended to the Commissioners of Public Works a further loan of £5000 being the balance of the loan of £15,000 sanctioned for Workmen's Dwellings.

7. Expressing Consent to the appropriation of sites in Trinity Street, Potato market Square and King Street for Workmen's Dwellings

A draft reply to the communication regarding Craigwa approved.

Monsignor Segrave
Sale of Land
Manimore ✓

An application of Monsignor Segrave for a sale to him of ground at Manimore adjoining the New Cemetery, presently in the tenancy of Mary and James Maginn and which is being transferred by them to him in exchange for other adjoining ground held by applicant in fee simple, was read.

Ordered that Monsignor Segrave be informed the Corporation will agree to a sale upon the basis of 25 years purchase of the rent of £10 fixed upon the ground to be transferred.

Jno. Callaghan
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1914. October 7th

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 7th day of October 1914.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– S. Jordan, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons, P. B. Moore.

Councillors:– J. Clarke, J. S. Kelly, J. Carolan, F. Byrne, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, D. Reddan, C. O'Connor, W. T. Skeffington, J. J. Callan and L. Stanley.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages sheet examined and passed.

Payments

Payments ordered: Borough Fund £1325:6:6.
Public Library 10:2:10.

Housing Scheme of £35,000
Adoption of Amended Plans ✓

Report of Housing Committee read, recommending the adoption of amended plans for the proposed housing scheme of £35,000, and setting out particulars of the scheme.

Whitworth Hall
Loan increased to £2000

Further recommending that the proposed loan for the Whitworth Hall be increased to £2000 as it was apparent from amended estimates that such a sum would be necessary.

The report was unanimously adopted.

Balance of Housing Loan
Rate of interest increased

Correspondence with the Board of Works in relation to a final loan of £5000 to complete the present artizans Dwellings Scheme was read, from which it appeared that the rate of interest would be increased to four per cent and that the advance could not be re-borrowed.

It was unanimously agreed that the Mayor and Town Clerk should interview Mr. J. J. Clancy M.P. on the subject.

Road Board Grant

Letter read from the Road Board on the subject of a grant for road improvement.

Ordered that the Borough Surveyor do bring in a scheme of improvement.

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An offer of Mr. William Calway to give a gratuitous demonstration of his system of concrete walling was accepted.

Marsh Road Condition of

Read, letter from Mr. F. G. McKeever, Solicitor, drawing attention to the condition of the Marsh Road.

No order made.

Shops Act prosecution

Communication from Patrick Tallan, Solicitor, read, intimating he had brought a prosecution against Laurence J. Carpenter for a breach of the Shops Act when the defendant was convicted and fined 2/6 with 5/- costs. No order made.

Memorial re additional lighting

An application from residents of the North Road for additional lighting was read and referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Letters from the Local Government Board were read:

Remission of Surcharges
L. G. Elections – amending Order
Jno. Craig, John St.
Sale to Mgr. Segrave to Magdalene Tower
Lease to Cathe Branigan ✓
Treasury Loans – list of Rates

1. Transmitting Order remitting two surcharges.
2. Transmitting amending Order relating to Local Government Elections
3. Forwarding copy of a letter sent to John Craig, of John Street.
4. Dealing with proposed Sale to Mgr. Segrave of plot at Magdalene Tower and Lease to Catherine Branigan of plot Oulster Lane.
5. Transmitting a new lists of Rates for Treasury Loans.

No order made.

Water Supply condition of ✓
Special meeting re position of Borough Surveyor

A lengthened discussion upon the condition of the Water supply took place. It was agreed unanimously to hold a Special Meeting upon the following Monday to consider what steps, if any, having regard to the same, should be taken in relation to the Borough Surveyor.

Jno. Callaghan
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Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at noon on Monday the 12th October 1914; to consider what steps (if any) having regard to the condition of the Water Supply, should be taken in relation to Mr T. J. Delahunty, Borough Surveyor.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- L. Jordan, O. Drew, A. B. Moore, P. Lyons, L. I. Elcock, J. McCullough
Councillors:- J. S. Kelly, J. Carolan, P. Reddan, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Dolan, J. V. MacQuillan, F. Byrne, L. Stanley, J. Clarke, W. T. Skeffington, J. Davis, Jno. J. Callan, C. O'Connor

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Borough Surveyor asked to resign

Alderman Elcock proposed and Alderman Jordan seconded - "That the Borough Surveyor be called on to resign"
Alderman Moore proposed as an amendment,
Councillor Byrne seconding - "That no action be taken".
A lengthened discussion followed, in the course of which the Borough Surveyor was asked for any explanation he might wish to offer. He replied that he reserved to himself the right to take such action as he might be advised.

A division was taken, when there voted:

For the Amendment	Against the Amendment.
Aldermen:- Drew & Moore	Aldermen:- Jordan, Elcock, McCullough, Lyons
Councillors:- Noonan, Carolan, Reddan, MacQuillan, A. J. Dolan, J. V. MacQuillan, Byrne, Stanley, & Skeffington (11)	Councillors:- Kelly, Clarke, Callan, O'Connor, Davis & The Mayor (10)

Motion defeated

The Amendment was thereupon put as a substantive motion and the voting being the same, it was declared carried.

Jno Callaghan
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1914
October 21st

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 21st day of October 1914.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- L. I. Elcock, J. McCullough.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, J. V. MacQuillan, J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor, Jno. J. Callan, W. T. Skeffington, J. Berrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes of Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Consideration of the Auditor's Report was adjourned till next meeting.

Motion of Loan Balance of

A communication from the Commissioners of Public Works intimating that a loan of £5000 required for the erection of Workmen's Dwellings could not be advanced unless the Treasury was satisfied it was urgently needed, was read, together with a copy of the Town Clerk's reply thereto which was approved.

Monsignor Segrave L.G.B. assent to sale

Letter read from the Local Government Board assenting to the proposed sale to Monsignor Segrave of a plot of ground at Magdalene Tower, and proposed lease to Catherine Branigan of plot of ground on west side of Oulster Lane.

Chancellor Ledoux Use of Well

Letter read from Rev. Chancellor Ledoux setting out the conditions under which the Corporation might have the temporary use of the well on his premises. The reply thereto was read and considered satisfactory.

Jno Callaghan
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1914.
November 4th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the fourth day of November 1914.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen – P. Drew, J. McCullough, L.J. Hoey and P.B. Moore
Councillors – J. Clarke, J. Byrne, J. Dolan, J. Davis, A.J. MacGuillan, J.V. MacGuillan, C. O'Connor, J.J. Callan, J. Berrill and W.T. Heffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes – The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages – Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments – Payments ordered: Borough Fund £852: 19: 6.
Public Library 18: 4: 5.

Auditor's Report – The Report of the auditor upon his audit of the accounts for the year ended 31st March 1914 was taken into consideration, the same being taken as read.

Councillor Davis proposed –

Demand Notes for Rents to be issued to tenants. Arrears to be collected within 60 days

"That the Treasurer be instructed to issue demand notes for rents which shall be in the hands of the tenants on the morning the rents are due, and that no arrears be allowed to remain beyond a period of 60 days."

The motion having been seconded by Councillor O'Connor the same was put and carried unanimously.

Alderman Moore proposed:–

Minutes of Committees to be presented to Council

"That the minutes and acts of all Committees be presented to the Council for ratification at every Council Meeting" Councillor Noonan seconded.

A Division was called for when there voted:

For the Motion: Alderman – Moore.
Councillors – Noonan, J.V. MacGuillan, Dolan, Callan, Clarke, O'Connor, Heffington. (8)

Against the motion: Aldermen – Drew, McCullough.
Councillors – Davis, A.J. MacGuillan Byrne (5)

The Motion was accordingly declared carried.

The consideration of the remaining business was adjourned.

Jno Callaghan 18/11/14

1914.
November 18th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 18th day of November 1914.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen – P. Drew, J. McCullough.
Councillors – J. Clarke, L. Stanley, J. Byrne, J. Carolan, J. Davis, J.V. MacGuillan, L. Reddan, C. O'Connor, L. Branigan, J.J. Callan, J. Berrill, J. Dolan and J. O'Kelly.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes – The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages – Wages sheet examined and passed.

Further consideration of the auditor's Report took place.

A circular to tenants, as drafted by the Town Clerk, intimating that rents would in future be collected as they became due, was approved.

Gas Works – Transferring of Coal from Steamer to Store – It was ordered that the Gas Works Committee do take into consideration and report upon the suggested alteration in the method of transferring coal from the steamer to the store, and that the Waterworks Committee do similarly report upon the extension

Water Extension to Ballsgrove – to Ballsgrove.

With the exception of the suggestions relating to accounting and other matters specially dealt with the report was generally approved.

Resurfacing of Dublin Road – Road Board Grant – Read, a report of the Borough Surveyor submitting for approval a scheme for re-surfacing the Dublin Road under the Road Board Act, £760 to be provided by the Corporation for the purpose and a like amount to be given by the Road Board as a Grant.

The scheme was approved.

Hackney Carriage Licences – Report of Patrick Callan, Solicitor, upon proceedings taken against John Reilly and Thomas Moore for plying for hire with hackney carriages without licenses, read.

No order made.

New Technical School – Amended plans approved – Amended Plans for the proposed new Technical School

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School were this day submitted and approved.

List of Arrears & Lost Rates

The Rate Collector's lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for the half year ending 30th September 1914, were this day submitted and approved.

Workmens' Dwellings Woodwork used by Contractors

Letter read from S. Henly & Sons, Contractors, relating to the woodwork used in the erection of Workmens Dwellings under their present contract.

No order made.

Correspondence with the Board of Works in connection with the proposed Loan of £5,000, for Workmens Dwellings was submitted.

No order made.

Calway's System of Concreting

It was agreed, at the suggestion of Mr. William Calway, to ask the Contractors for the present scheme of Workmens Dwellings to give an alternate estimate for concrete walling with Calway's system.

Courtney to Cullen Premises Lawrence St.

Upon the application of Patrick Tallan, Solicitor, it was agreed to accept Mr. Simon P. Cullen as tenant of premises No. 4 Lawrence Street in lieu of Mr. R. Courtney.

Jno. Callaghan
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1914. December 2nd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the second day of December 1914.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– S. Jordan, T. McCullough, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, J. S. Kelly, J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, T. V. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor, J. J. Callan, W. T. Skeffington, J. Berrill (15)

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages Payments

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered: Borough Fund £985:17:6
Artizans Dwellings a/c. 500:0:0
Public Library a/c. 7:2:2.

Public Lamps

A Report of the Gas Works Committee recommending the erection of an additional lamp on the North Road between Rope Walk and the corner of Windmill Lane was read and adopted.

Mrs. Jane Moore to Corporation Agreement executed for conveying Water through Mrs. Moore's Land to Killineer Reservoir

An Agreement was this day executed whereby the Corporation are at liberty for a period of five years to enter upon the lands of Mrs. Jane Moore at Killineer and to lay therein at their own expense pipes and drains for conveying water presently flowing through open ditches into the stream supplying Killineer Reservoir.

Mgr. Segrave & J. McGinn Division of Land

A proposed Agreement between the Corporation, Mrs. Mary Maginn and Rt. Rev. Mgr. P. Segrave in relation to a division of a holding at Manimore and a letter from Mgr. Segrave suggesting a sale to him of portion of the holding were submitted and referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates

Letter read from the Local Government Board returning the Rate Collector's lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for the half year ended 30th September 1914 with the rulings of the Board marked thereon, and drawing attention to the increase in the amounts of uncollected rates as compared with previous financial

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financial periods.

The increase having been explained no order was made.

John Reilly v Corpn. Appeal against Conviction re Hackney Carriage Licence

The Town Clerk reported that notice of appeal had been served upon him against the conviction of John Reilly for plying for hire without a Hackney Carriage License and that he anticipated the service of a conditional order for mandamus directing the Corporation to issue a License to Reilly.

The Solicitor to the Corporation was authorized to deal with the matter and to engage Counsel if considered necessary.

Housing Loan Draft Mortgage Restriction Clause

Letter read from the Secretary Office of Public Works intimating that owing to present financial condition it had become necessary to adopt measures to control the output of money and that therefore it might be necessary to reduce the amounts of instalments of the loan for Artisans Dwellings &c. or to delay their issue until funds were available. The Draft mortgage which had already been approved was returned for approval of a clause expressing those conditions.

It was decided to approve of the Draft Mortgage as amended.

The Engrossed Deed of Mortgage was thereupon submitted for perfection.

On the motion of Councillor Noonan, seconded by Councillor Callan, it was Resolved:-

Resolution re repayment of Loan

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Five thousand pounds proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1908 and the incorporated amending or extending Acts.

The Corporate Seal having been affixed and the Mortgage Deed perfected Councillor Noonan further moved, Councillor Callan seconding:-

"That inasmuch as this Council does not immediately require from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland the total amount of the sum mentioned in the Deed of Mortgage to them this day executed by this Council but prefer to receive the same by instalments as occasion may require, it is Resolved that

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that the Requisition for each advance shall be intimated to said Commissioners by the Chairman of this Council for the time being countersigned by the Town Clerk, and that each such Requisition shall be forwarded to the Accountant of said Commissioners, and that such advance shall be lodged to our Account as Corporation of Drogheda, Artisans Dwellings Loan Account in the Drogheda Branch of the Bank of Ireland. Motion put and carried.

Jno. Callanan
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1914. December 16th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 16th day of December 1914.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. Drew, T. McCullough, L.J. Elcock, P. Lyons.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, D. Byrne, D. Reddan, J.J. Kelly, J. Dolan, P. Lynch, C. O'Connor, D. Branigan, J.J. Callan, J. Berrill, J. Davis, W.I. Skeffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages that examined and passed.

Borough Treasurer. Salary increased by £50.

Application from the Borough Treasurer for an increase of salary, read. The application stated that the former Treasurer had a salary of £200 and that the duties of the Office had increased.

Councillor O'Connor proposed, and Councillor Callan seconded:–

"That the salary of the Borough Treasurer be increased from £100 to £150 from this date in accordance with his application".

Motion put and carried unanimously.

Relief of Distress

Letter read from the Local Government Board intimating that they were not in a position to make a grant for the relief of distress.

The matter was referred to the Distress Committee.

Jno. Callaghan
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1915. January 23rd

Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at the hour of noon on Saturday the 23rd day of January 1915.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:– T. McCullough, L.J. Elcock, P. Lyons & S.B. Moore.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, D. Reddan, J.J. Kelly, J. Byrne, J. Carolan, J. Dolan, J.V. McCullan, J. Davis, A.J. McCullan, C. O'Connor, J. Callan, P. Lynch, D. Branigan, W.I. Skeffington & J. Berrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Election of Mayor 1916-17

Councillor Lynch proposed – That Councillor W.I. Skeffington be and is hereby elected Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1916.

Councillor Callan seconded.

The outgoing mayor suggested that Alderman Elcock should be unanimously elected to the position.

Councillor Skeffington thereupon intimated that he would not allow himself to be nominated in opposition to Alderman Elcock, and

Alderman L.J. Elcock elected

Councillor J.V. McCullan, who was understood to be a candidate, made a similar intimation.

The outgoing mayor thereupon formally proposed the election of Alderman Elcock, which, having been seconded by Councillor Callan, was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Alderman Elcock thereupon made a Declaration of Acceptance of Office, and having taken the Oath of Allegiance, and the Oath appertaining to the Office of Mayor, he was invested with the Chain of Office by the outgoing mayor, and then took the Chair.

A vote of thanks to the outgoing Mayor for his services during the past year was proposed by Councillor Skeffington, seconded by Councillor McCullan, and carried unanimously.

Condolence Councillor Drew

On the motion of Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Callan it was resolved:– "That we place on record our heartfelt sympathy with Alderman Patk. Drew, a respected member of this Council, on the death of his sister, mrs. Kelly, and that a letter of condolence be sent to the members of his family".

Councillor

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Councillor Callaghan proposed, and Councillor Noonan seconded, that the meeting be now adjourned to Wednesday the 3rd February proximo

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1915.
February
3rd

Minutes of an adjourned Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 3rd day of February 1915.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:– T. McCullough, P. B. Moore.

Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, J. D. Kelly, L. Byrne, D. Reddan, J. Carolan, J. V. MacQuillan, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Davis, J. Callaghan, J. J. Callan, J. Dolan, W. T. Heffington, C. O'Connor and J. Berrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages sheet examined and signed.

Payments

Payments ordered: Borough Fund £366:16:7.
Public Library 8:9:0.

Dates of Quarterly Meetings

Alderman Moore proposed and Councillor Noonan seconded:–

"That the remaining Quarterly Meetings of the year be held at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the first Wednesday in April, the third Wednesday in July and the first Wednesday in October."

Motion put and carried.

Election of Committees

The following Committees were appointed for the year ending 23rd January 1916.

Bye Laws and Markets Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, McCullough.

Councillors:– Reddan, Carolan, Branigan, Noonan, Berrill, Callaghan.

Law and Finance Committee:

Aldermen:– McCullough.

Councillors:– Callaghan, Davis, Stanley, Noonan, O'Connor, ~~Callaghan~~ A. J. MacQuillan, Heffington.

Gas Works Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, McCullough, Drew.

Councillors:– Byrne, Callaghan, Kelly, Lynch, A. J. MacQuillan.

Water Works Committee:

Aldermen:– Lyons, Jordan.

Councillors:– Byrne, Noonan, J. V. MacQuillan, O'Connor, Reddan, Callaghan.

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Technical Instruction and Public Library Committee.

Aldermen:- McCullough, Moore.

Councillors:- Stanley, Heffington, Lynch, J.V. MacQuillan, Rt Rev. Mgr. Begrave, Vy. Rev. D. Flynn, Rev. Chancellor L.P.J. Ledoux, Rev. J.R. Brunskill, W.J.S. Walker B.A., M.A. Casey.

Housing Committee:

Aldermen:- Lyons, Jordan, Moore.

Councillors:- Davis, Lynch, Noonan, Gallagher, Callan.

with His Worship the Mayor as Chairman.

Approval of Minutes of Committees

The question of the approval of the Minutes of the various Committees was under consideration.

It was decided that the Minute Books, and not extracts therefrom, should be produced at each meeting of the Council.

Defective Gas Gas Manager's explanation

An explanation from the Gas Works Manager of the causes of the defective gas which led to complaints being made, was read. No order made.

Mandamus Proceedings Reilly v Corporation

Reports from the Town Clerk and the Solicitor to the Corporation upon the mandamus proceedings Reilly v Corporation were read.

Ordered that the same be referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

On the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by Councillor J.V. MacQuillan it was unanimously Resolved:-

Mullingar Kells & Drogheda Railways

Resolution approving of

"That this Council desires to put on record its strong approval of the proposed construction of a line of Railway from Mullingar to Kells, which is so badly needed for the development of that district and to connect the Counties of Meath and Westmeath. We consider such Railway would greatly develop, not alone the Trade and Commerce of the district referred to, but also the district between Kells and the Port of Drogheda.

We therefore earnestly hope that the County Council of Westmeath, uninfluenced by any Railway Company, will, in the

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the public interest, approve of the proposed Railway."

Card. Logue vos Conveyance executed Sisters Magdalene Tower

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to a Deed of Conveyance to Cardinal Logue and others of a plot of ground situate on the South side of Patrick Street for a consideration of £10. (Ten pounds), the said plot being intended to be used for the purposes of a Public Hospital.

A request of tenants of Cottages in Patrick Street for side doors to their dwellings was not acceded to.

Building Contracts Clause re local Labour & materials

Councillor Callan proposed and Alderman McCullough seconded:-

"That a clause be inserted in all future contracts for the building of artizans Dwellings that all the carpenter work be done locally; and that cut limestone be substituted for granite".

Circular Letters from the Local Government Board relating to the Courts (Emergency Powers) Act, 1914, and the Local Authorities (Disqualification Relief) Act, 1914, were read.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 17th day of February 1915.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. Drew, T. McCullough, P. Lyons, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, D. Reddan, J. Carolan, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, J. S. Kelly, J. Callaghan, C. O'Connor, D. Branigan, J. J. Callan, J. Berrill, W. T. Skeffington.

Notice — The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Approval of Minutes of Committees — The Minutes of the Law and Finance Committee of the 8th February 1915, and of the Water Works Committee of the 10th February 1915 were read and approved. The Minutes of the Gas Works Committee were not approved.

Gas Works Dept. Increase in wage of men in Retort House — A Report of the Gas Works Committee recommending an increase of 2/- per week, during the continuance of the present war, in the wages of six men employed in the Retort House was read and referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

Correspondence relating to the proposed Conveyance of the reclaimed foreshore at St. James was read and was referred to the joint Committee.

Road Board grant — Letter read from the Secretary County Council of Louth forwarding draft statement of the proposed grant from the Road Board ~~to~~ out of the Road Improvement Fund of £821 for the Borough of Drogheda. No order made.

On the motion of Councillor Skeffington seconded by Councillor Kelly it was unanimously Resolved:–

"That owing to the enormous prices of cereals throughout the world, prices not even reached during the american Civil War, and to the probable shortage of foodstuffs in the near future, we deem it our duty to call upon the Farmers of

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Resolution re extra Tillage — of Louth, Meath, the adjoining Counties and the country generally to imitate the tillage campaign inaugurated throughout the United States of America, throughout the self governed Dominion of Canada and other countries, to put more ground under cultivation; and that we believe that if the extensive cattle ranches of Meath and Westmeath and other grazing Counties were broken up, tilled and cultivated that Ireland, instead of having to obtain her food supplies from abroad, would have a large surplus for exportation."

Condolence — On the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by Councillor O'Connor a vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with the family of the late Lord mayor of Dublin.

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1915. March 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 3rd day of March 1915.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen.– T. McCullough, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:– T. V. MacQuillan, J. Berrill, J. Davis and J. J. Callan.

Minutes — The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Wages — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments — Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments ordered:– Borough Fund £3045 : 5 : 1
Artizans Dwellings Loan a/c £265 : 0 : 0
Public Library a/c £18 : 5 : 1.

Condolence with family of John Callaghan Ex-mayor — On the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor T. V. MacQuillan it was unanimously Resolved:–

"That this meeting do now adjourn as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Councillor John Callaghan J.P., Ex Mayor, and that the sympathy of the Council be tendered to his family."

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Special meeting

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 17th March 1915; To confer the Freedom of the Borough on Drummer William Kenny V.C.

Present:-

In the Chair His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- P.B. Moore, P. Lyons, T.W. McCullough, S. Jordan & P. Drew
Councillors:- A. J. MacAuillan, D. Branigan, J. Berrill, J.J. Hallan, J.A. Norman, D. Reddan, J.S. Kelly, P. Lynch, J. Clarke, T.V. MacAuillan, C. O'Connor, W.T. Skeffington & L. Stanley.

Freedom of Borough conferred on Lance-Corporal Wm Kenny V.C.

On the motion of His Worship the mayor, Luke J. Clark, Alderman, seconded by Councillor T.V. MacAuillan, it was resolved:- "That to mark our recognition and the recognition of his fellow townsmen of his winning the Victoria Cross,

"For conspicuous bravery on 23rd October, near Ypres, in rescuing wounded men on five occasions under very heavy fire in the most fearless manner; for twice previously saving some Machine Guns by carrying them out of action, and on numerous occasions conveying urgent messages under very dangerous circumstances over fire-swept ground."

We, the municipal Council of Drogheda, in exercise of the powers conferred by the Municipal Privileges Act 1876, do hereby admit Lance Corporal William Kenny, V.C. of Greenhills, Drogheda, an Honorary Freeman of the Borough of Drogheda."

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Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 7th day of April 1915.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Drew, T. McCullough, P. Lyons, P.B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, T. Byrne, J.S. Kelly, T.V. MacAuillan, J. Davis, C. O'Connor, W.T. Skeffington, J. Berrill, J.J. Hallan.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and signed

Payments

Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £617: 17: 8 Public Library £26: 12: 10.

Approval of Minutes of Committees

The Minutes of the Law & Finance Committee of the 22nd February, & 1st March; the Water Works Committee of the 24th February; and the Gas Works Committee of the 18th February, the 4th 11th & 25th March were read and approved on the motion of Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Kelly.

Minutes of all Committees to be printed & circulated amongst members

On the motion of Alderman Moore, seconded by Councillor Kelly, it was resolved:- "That the Minutes of all Committees be printed and circulated among the Members of the Council before they are presented at the Quarterly meetings, and that any resolutions to the contrary be rescinded."

Motion put and carried.

Car Licences

Report of Hackney Carriages Committee read intimating that they had considered Requisitions for car Licenses by John Reilly, Joseph Aspill, Patrick Bluskey, William Reynolds, Thomas Kenny, and John Whelan, and agreed to grant Licenses to these applicants; that Reynolds' Horse, Car, Harness & Cushions were reported as bad; Kenny's Car, Harness & Cushions, as bad, and Whelan's Harness & Cushions as bad; notwithstanding this, they decided to grant these new licenses, but caused an intimation to be conveyed to them that if their vehicles &c. are not in first class order by next licensing season the Licenses will not be renewed.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Doonan seconded

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seconded by Councillor Berrill.

The consideration of a Report of the Gas Works Committee recommending an increase in the price of Gas was deferred to next meeting

Hour of meeting

Pursuant to Notice of motion Councillor Noonan moved; ~~Councillor~~ "That in future the meetings of the Council and Sanitary Authority be held at twelve o'clock, noon, and that any or all resolutions to the contrary be rescinded."

Councillor Kelly seconded.

On a show of hands the resolution was declared lost.

Demand of County Council

The County Council Demand for the current financial year was submitted and ordered to be brought before the Law & Finance Committee.

Letters read from Mr. Michael McConnon and Mrs. J. Callaghan, thanking the Council for their votes of Condolence.

A letter of Mr. John Spicer in relation to the Boyne Canal was read.

It was decided to await the action of the Meath County Council.

Tuberculosis Dispensary Committee appointed to meet Trades Council re

A resolution of the Drogheda Trades Council relating to the proposed Tuberculosis Dispensary was read.

A Committee consisting of Aldermen Lyons & Moore, and Councillors Skeffington, Noonan, ~~Dolan~~ Stanley & T. V. McQuillan was appointed, to discuss the matter with a deputation from the Trades Council

A further resolution from the Trades Council relating to Building Trades unemployment was read.

Ordered that the position regarding the Council's building schemes be explained to the Trades Council.

Letter read from the Local Government Board enclosing copy of a complaint received from T. Corry.

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A draft reply was submitted and approved.

Further letter from the Board read, intimating that no further grant for the relief of distress could be made;

Copy of the Auditor's Report with Abstract of Accounts of the Distress Committee for the past season was submitted.

Circular letters from the Local Government Board relating to the position of employees of Local authorities who had joined His Majesty's Forces; and the contribution towards the payment of Salaries of Sanitary Officers, were read.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 21st day of April 1915.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– S. Jordan, P. Drew, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, M. J. J. McGowan, D. Reddan, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Dolan, T. V. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor, J. J. Callan, W. T. Skeffington, D. Branigan, J. Berrill and J. Davis,

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages sheet examined and passed.

Workmens Dwellings
Trinity St. & Potato
Market Square
Fixing of Rents

Report of Housing Committee read recommending that the rents of the new workmens dwellings in Trinity Street and Potato Market Square be fixed at 5/6 per week for five roomed dwellings, and 4/10 per week for four roomed dwellings.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Skeffington, an amendment proposed by Councillor Noonan and seconded by Councillor McGowan to fix the rents at 4/ and 3/6 respectively having but two supporters, Councillors Branigan and Reddan.

Increase in price of Gas

A Report of the Gas Works Committee recommending that the price of gas be increased by six pence per 1000 c. ft during the continuance of present conditions was unanimously adopted on the motion of Alderman Drew seconded by Councillor Stanley.

Circular Letter from the Local Government Board on the subject of the Organization of Labour read.

No order made.

Housing Loans
Liability re

Further communication from the Board read forwarding certificate that the ~~the~~ amount liable to be set apart in the past financial year by the Corporation in respect of Housing Loans was £421 : 13 : 9.

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Reilly v Corporation

The Council hereupon proceeded to consider in Committee what steps should be taken in relation to further legal proceedings threatened by John Reilly against certain members of the Council.

Councillor Noonan proposed and Councillor T. V. MacQuillan seconded:

That the Solicitor to the Corporation be instructed to defend any further proceedings instituted by John Reilly against the Council as a body or against certain members of the Council or officials of the Council, and that all necessary steps be taken in connection therewith.

motion put and carried unanimously.

Luke J. Elcock

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 5th day of May 1915.

Present:-

In the Chair- His Worship the mayor

Aldermen:- P. Lyons, P. Drew

Councillors:- J. Clarke, D. Reddan, M. McEvoy, T. Byrne, J. Kelly, C. O'Connor, W. J. Skeffington, D. Branigan, J. Burrell, J. Callan, A. J. MacQuillan, L. Stanley, T. V. McQuillan, J. Davis, & J. Dolan

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

L & Y Railway Co. Resumption of Sailings from Port — As a matter of pressing importance and for the information of the public the various steps taken to bring about a resumption by the L. & Y. Railway Co. of Sailings from the Port were explained, and correspondence in relation thereto read.

Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £1245: 8: 10
Public Library 8: 2: 6

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Striking of Rate Report upon — Report of Law & Finance Committee as follows, read:-

"We recommend the Striking of the same rates for the present year as have been struck for the past three years, viz: a Consolidated Rate of 4/- and a Sanitary Rate of 1/- in the pound.

In consequence of the abnormal drought which prevailed throughout the past Summer there was increased expenditure, amounting to £265, and reduced Revenue, amounting to £20, in the Water Works Department, so that it was not possible to recoup the Borough Fund the amount it had temporarily advanced or to maintain the Water Works Credit Balance.

The current County Demand is less by £200 in round numbers than the preceding one. Against such reduction there must be taken into account Costs of the Solicitor to the Corporation, extending over a period of six years, amounting to £320. These costs consist of two Bills, one of which has been ~~taxed~~ taxed. It amounted originally to £329: 6: 6 but

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but was reduced on taxation by £76: 18: 8, and a further £40: 6: 6 was taken off because of items payable by another party. The untaxed Bill amounted to £68: 17: 11, and by agreement the Solicitor takes £65 in discharge. It has been drawn on the lines of the taxed Bill, so that reductions on taxation would be small. As you would have to pay the costs of a Solicitor to represent you, and pay costs of the McCann as well, it is to your advantage not to tax the Bill.

The costs of Messrs Smyth & Son in the Mandamus proceedings - Reilly v Corporation - will also shortly have to be met.

Owing to the increased cost of living, occasioned by the present War, we have advanced the wages of the workmen by 1/- per week, bringing the wages of Scavengers up to 20/-, Carters to 22/- and the Foreman to 25/6.

The wages of the Water Works Plumber have been increased by 5/- and the Caretaker by 4/-.

It is therefore apprehended that the expenditure of the current Year, with the rates recommended, can only be met by further reductions in Credit Balances and the strictest economy.

The Schedules of the various works proposed to be carried out by the Borough Surveyor have had our consideration and those approved have been provided for.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Doonan seconded by Councillor Davis, who thereupon moved and seconded -

Rate Resolutions — "That a Consolidated Municipal Rate of forty eight pence in the pound be made, applotted, levied, assessed, and raised within the Borough for the financial year ending the 31st day of March 1916, upon and off the Owners, occupiers or tenants of all hereditaments rateable for the relief of the destitute poor in Ireland; thirty three pence in the pound of such rate being to meet General District Poor Rate charges, thirteen pence to meet Borough charges for the maintenance of the Public Works transferred from the Grand Jury under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, one penny to meet the expenses of the Public Library, and one penny to meet the expenses of the Technical School.

And that a Sanitary Rate of Sixteen pence in the pound be made, applotted, levied, assessed and raised, under the provisions of Section 226 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, to meet the expenses of the Water Supply for the District"

Motion put and declared carried unanimously.

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The Rate Book and Collector's Warrant were thereupon executed and sealed and the Estimates approved.

Report of Bye Laws & Markets Committee as follows read:-

Fair Green ✓

Market for Cattle Pigs & Sheep. Horses to be sold on Streets

To the Council of the Borough of Drogheda.

Gentlemen,

We have been called together to again consider the recommendation of the Medical Superintendent Officer of Health, contained in his Annual Report, that a Fair Green should be provided.

The Corporation have already passed a Resolution approving the establishment of a Fair Green, and if such resolution be not carried into effect the Local Government Board may issue a Sealed Order.

The annoyance to the residents of the localities concerned and the interests of sanitation demand that the custom which has been suffered to continue for so many years should be brought to an end.

On Fair Days Cattle are sold upon streets in the neighbourhood of Sunday's Gate; Pigs in Magdalene Street, Peter Street & Fair Street; Sheep in the Corn Market, and Horses in the neighbourhood of George's Street. The number of animals exposed for sale has been on the decline for some years. We do not think therefore that the Corporation would be justified in undertaking the considerable expenditure that the acquisition of land to replace these places and its equipment with pens etc. would necessitate; but we do think that something must be done to meet the recommendation of the M.S.O.H. We suggest the following:

Sheep to continue to be sold in the Corn Market, additional space to be provided by the removal of various materials stored by the Borough Surveyor for the work of his Department. Pigs to be sold in the Potato Market, and the Gate leading into it from the Corn Market to be repaired and opened. Cattle to be sold on the waste ground known as Chester's Lane. The area of this ground is 1ac. 2rd. 18per; it has two entrances from Trinity Street with widths of 14'-6" and 20'-6" respectively, and an entrance from George's Street with a width of 33'-0". It will be necessary to enter into an arrangement with tenants whose leases have not yet expired, but it is anticipated that this can easily be arranged.

The objection to the selling of Horses on the Streets is not as great as that to Cattle, Sheep and Pigs, and as well considerable space is required. We therefore think they might continue to be sold as at present. Practically there are now but two large Horse Fairs in the year.

Our suggestion does not involve any outlay while it consolidates the Fair area, and, with the exception of Horses, does away with selling on the Streets. The Corporation will also be in a position to levy tolls in the places mentioned if they so desire.

Dated 14th April, 1915.

LUKE J. ELCOCK, Chairman.

The adoption of the report having been moved by Councillor Berrill seconded by Councillor Davis, Councillor Kelly proposed as an amendment and Councillor Reddan seconded, that the Report be not adopted

On a division there voted

For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
Aldermen Dyas & Lyons	Councillors:- McGowan, Stanley, Clarke,
Councillors Reddan, Kelly, Dolan	Berrill, Callan, Davis, Connor,
& Branigan (6)	Skeffington, Noonan, Byrne and
	The Mayor (11)

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Councillor J. V. McQuillan declined to vote, and Councillor A. J. McQuillan was not present while the vote was being taken.

The Amendment was declared lost and the Motion was then put and declared carried by 11 votes to 6.

Reilly v Corporation ✓

Councillor Noonan proposed and Councillor J. V. McQuillan seconded - That the proceedings of the Council in Committee in relation to the threatened proceedings by John Reilly against certain Members of the Council be and are hereby ratified

Motion put and declared carried unanimously.

Town Tenants League Delegates to ✓

Councillors Noonan and Kelly were appointed as Delegates to the annual Convention of the Town Tenants League.

Councillor W. McGowan was selected to fill the vacancies in various Committees caused by the death of the late Councillor Callaghan.

Prohibition on Sale of Drink

Resolutions of the Ballymena Urban Council and the Drogheda Grocers & Vintners Association relating to the question of the prohibition of the sale of Drink during the War were read.

The Resolution of the Association was adopted on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Reddan.

The Town Clerk was directed to ascertain whether the increase in the men's wages could take effect as from the date of their application.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 19th May 1915.

Present

In the Chair- His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. Drew, P.B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, J.S. Kelly, Wm. McGowan, T.V. MacQuillan, J. Davis, A. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor, J. Dolan, W.T. Keffington, J.J. Callan, D. Branigan, Jas. Birrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Tuberculosis Dispensary — Report of Town Clerk read intimating that the representatives of the Corporation and the representatives of the Trades Council had, at a Conference, unanimously agreed, that it would be in the interests of the Working Classes to provide the proposed Tuberculosis Dispensary.

No order made.

Revision of Rolls of Workmens Dwellings — A Report of the Town Clerk recommending a revision of the rolls of Workmen's Dwellings was read, and ordered to be brought before the Housing Committee.

Preservation of Ancient Monuments — Report of Borough Surveyor read intimating that it would cost about £35 to carry out the suggestions of the County Louth Archaeological Society in relation to the preservation of ancient monuments within the Borough.

Ordered that the same be brought before the Law & Finance Committee.

Report of Law & Finance Committee as follows was read and unanimously adopted:-

Tenders for Annual Supplies — "We recommend that the following Tenders for Annual Supplies be accepted:-

Clothing, L. J. Fay; Horse Shoeing, Ben Curby; Harness & Repairs to Harness, John Callan; Smithwork, James Cooney; Disinfectants, Luke J. Healy; Road material, Peter Carroll; Slates, Patrick Hogan; Ironmongery, Peter Murphy Ltd & A. Murdock & Sons Ltd. (the cheaper in various items); Winding & Regulating Tholsel Clock, Kenny & Swain. The tender of the latter firm although not being the lowest is recommended for your acceptance, the other tenders received being from German Firms"

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Lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates — The Rate Collector's lists of Arrears and Irrecoverable Rates, amounting to £28: 6: 6 and £65: 9: 5 Consolidated Rate, and £9: 13: 10 and £23: 3: 0 Sanitary Rate, were submitted and approved, an instruction being given that the Solicitor to the Corporation should be communicated with, drawing his attention to the fact that the questions submitted to him for Counsel's opinion in relation to the making of Rates had not yet been attended to.

Counsel's Opinion re making of Rate

Explosives Act Inspector under — Arising out of a Communication from the Home Office it was ordered that the R.I.C. be requested to appoint a Policeman as an Inspector under the Explosives Act 1875.

Exposal of Cattle on Street R.I.C. to have service of Solicitor — At the request of the District Inspector the Council unanimously agreed that he should have the services of the Corporation Solicitor in proceedings against certain persons for obstructing Peter St. & South Quays by the exposal of cattle for sale thereon.

Circular letter from the Local Government Board on the subject of borrowing by Local authorities, read. No order made.

Road Board Grant — Letter from the Secretary County Council of Louth, relating to the proposed Road Board Grant, read, together with the Town Clerk's reply thereto, which was approved.

Labourers Scheme Receipt sealed for Purchase Money — The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to a Receipt for £24. being the Purchase Money payable by the Meath Rural District Council of Drogheda Union for the acquisition of one acre of the holding of John Fentony of Corballis, Duleek, for a Labourer's Scheme.

Letter

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Slobland's Conveyance

Letter read from the Secretary Drogheda Harbour Commissioners enclosing draft of the proposed Conveyance by the Board of Trade of the Slobland's.

Ordered that the same be brought before the Law & Finance Committee.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the second day of June 1915.

Present:

In the Chair – Councillor J. J. Callan.
Aldermen:- P. Drew, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, M. McEowan, J. J. Kelly, J. Dolan, D. Reddan, A. J. MacQuillan, T. V. MacQuillan, D. Branigan, W. T. Heffington and J. Berrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments

Payments ordered: Borough Fund £809: 4: 6
Public Library 13: 19: 2

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Condolence

On the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by alderman Moore a vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with the widow of the late Councillor Carolan.

Tenders for Gas Coal

A Report of the Gas Works Committee recommending the acceptance of the tenders of T. Nickson & Co. Liverpool and the Wigan Coal and Iron Co. Ltd for 1500 tons of coal each at 19/9 and 18/6 per ton respectively was adopted.

Workmens Dwellings Revision of Rents

Report of Housing Committee read, approving of the revision of rents of Workmens Dwellings as suggested in the Town Clerk's Report of 15th May, and recommending that six selected workmen occupy the dwellings in Potato Market Square, their wages to be increased by 2/- per week for the services

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Fire Brigade men to occupy Houses Potato Market &c

services they will be called upon to render to the Fire Brigade, Regulations to be made by the Borough Surveyor as to practices, turning out at fires, attending telephone calls, remaining on duty &c. The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Noonan.

Road Board Grant

Letter read from the Secretary County Council of Louth enclosing a Paying Order for £410 as a first instalment of the road grant.

L. & Y. Rly. Co. Sailings from Port

A Statement was made by the Town Clerk as to the result of the interview in Manchester of the mayor and himself with the General Manager of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Co. in relation to the resumption of sailings from the Port.

Simon Jordan

16/6/15

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 16th day of June 1915.

Present:

In the Chair- Alderman S. Jordan.
Councillors:- J. Byrne, J. Clarke, A. J. MacQuillan, J. J. Kelly, L. Stanley, W. McEowan, D. Branigan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Correspondence with the Lancashire & Yorkshire Railway Co. in relation to a resumption of sailings from the Port was approved.

Condolences

Votes of condolence were unanimously passed with the Mayor upon the death of his Sister and with Councillor Callan upon the death of his mother.

An application of Mrs. Mary A. McEvoy for concreting footpath in front of her premises was refused.

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July 7th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House this day at 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. Drew.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, P. Lynch, J. Dolan and L. O'Connor.

Minutes
Wages
Payments

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered: Borough Fund £797: 4: 4.
Public Library 5: 12: 11

Correspondence with the Local Government Board in relation to the Rate Collector's Lists of Arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for half year ending 31st March read.
No orders made.

Bellewstown Races meeting adjourned

The transaction of the remaining business was adjourned to next meeting at the suggestion of the Mayor, this being one of the days of Bellewstown Races.

Peter Lynch
21/7/15

1915
July 21st

Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Court House this day at 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:

In the Chair – Councillor P. Lynch.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, M. McGowan, D. P. Bullen, J. Byrne, T. V. MacGuillan, A. J. MacGuillan, L. O'Connor, J. J. Bullen, J. Berrill, J. Dolan and J. O'Kelly.

Minutes
Wages

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.

The Minutes of the Law and Finance Committee and the Water Works Committee for the past quarter were submitted and approved.

Ordered that the Gas Works Manager be asked for an

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an explanation of his failure to submit the Minutes of his Committee for confirmation.

Water Supply

A Report of the Waterworks Committee upon the general condition of the Water Supply was read and adopted.

Revision of Valuation List of Tenements

A List of Tenements for Revision of Valuation was submitted and approved.

Limiting Speed of motor Vehicles

Arising out of correspondence with the County Council of Louth on the subject it was ordered that the Local Government Board be requested to make an Order limiting the speed at which motor vehicles may pass through the Borough to ten miles per hour.

Notice of Audit

Communication from Ed. P. McCarron, Local Government Auditor, intimating that he would commence the audit of the accounts of the Corporation for the past financial year on the 17th August, read.

Councillor Bullen was elected a member of all Committees of which the late Councillor Carolan was a member and also a member of the Gas Works Committee in lieu of Councillor A. J. MacGuillan resigned.

Thos R J Clock
4. 8. 15

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August 4th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House this day at eleven o'clock a.m.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– P. Drew, D. McCullough, P. Lyons.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, L. Stanley, J. Byrne, D. P. Bullen, M. McGowan, J. Dolan, L. O'Connor, D. Branigan, J. Berrill and T. V. MacGuillan.

Minutes

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

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Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered: Borough Fund £426: 13: 3
Public Library 5: 11: 4

School Attendance Officer's Salary motion to increase defeated

Report of School Attendance Committee read, intimating that at a meeting at which all the members save one were present an application of the School Attendance Officer for an increase of salary was considered and an increase of £10 per annum making the Salary £35 was unanimously agreed upon.

Alderman Drew proposed and Councillor Clarke seconded — 'that the report be adopted'. Councillor McGowan proposed and Councillor Cullen seconded — 'that the report be not adopted'. A Division was thereupon taken on the amendment when there voted:

For — Councillors:— McGowan, Cullen, Byrne, Stanley, Dolan, Berrill, O'Connor, Branigan (8.)

Against — Aldermen:— Drew, Lyons, McCullough.
Councillors:— MacQuillan, Clarke. (5.)

the amendment was accordingly put as a substantive motion and declared carried by the same voting.

Meetings of Council

Councillor McGowan moved pursuant to notice of motion — "that during the continuance of the war meetings of the Council shall except for special reasons be held only on the first Wednesday and meetings of the Sanitary Authority on the third Wednesday of the month."

Councillor Cullen seconded but the motion was withdrawn it being apparent that the majority were not in favour of any change.

Municipal Authorities Association

The Mayor and Alderman Drew were selected as Delegates to the next annual Conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities.

Concreting

Ordered that the footpath in front of James Toner's premises Scarlet Street, L. J. Carpenter's premises Potato Market, Mary A. McEvoy's premises Windmill Lane, ~~new School Teachers' dwellings~~

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~~dwellings Scarlet Street, and from National School Scarlet Street to corner of Francis Street~~ be concreted.

Sewer Dominicks Bridge

Ordered that the Sewer discharging west of Dominicks Bridge be piped out to low-water mark.

Speed of Motor Vehicles Sign Posts

Communication from the Local Government Board relating to the speed of motor vehicles when passing through the Urban District was read. Ordered that the District Inspector be requested to instruct the police to exercise the powers vested in them under the motor Car Act to prevent reckless or negligent driving or driving at a speed dangerous to the public, and that the Borough Surveyor make application to the Automobile Association for sign posts and erect same in suitable places when received.

[signature]
18/8/15

1915. August 18th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House this day at eleven o'clock a.m.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:— S. Jordan, P. Lyons.
Councillors:— J. Clarke, M. McGowan, S. P. Cullen, L. Stanley, & J. Berrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Workmens Dwellings Potato Market Occupation by Fire Brigade men

A report of the Housing Committee relating to the occupation by men of the Fire Brigade of six new workmens dwellings in Potato Market was referred back to that Committee for further consideration in conjunction with a scheme to be prepared by the Borough Surveyor.

Concreting

Report of Borough Surveyor read, giving the cost of concreting pathway in front of School Teachers' residences Scarlet Street at £22 and from corner of Francis Street to National School Scarlet Street at £77.

Ordered that all concreting work be postponed until next

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next Season and that a Schedule be prepared of all applications for concreting.

Communication from the District Inspector R.I.C. on the subject of the speed of motor vehicles passing through the Borough, read. No order made.

Correspondence with the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction and the Louth County Committee of Agriculture in connection with the cutting of noxious weeds, read. No order made.

Explosives & Petroleum Acts

Letter read from the District Inspector R.I.C. intimating that Const. Patk. Mc Cormack had been appointed Inspector for the Borough under the Explosives Act of 1875 and the Petroleum Acts.

Jno J Callan
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House, this day at eleven o'clock a.m.

Present

In the Chair - Councillor J. J Callan
Alderman - L. Jordan
Councillors:- S.P. Cullen, P. McGowan, J. Stanley, W. T. Skeffington, J. Barriel & Lynch.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments — Payments Ordered: - Borough Fund £2,850:11:6
Public Library. 5:9:5

Hackney Carriage Licences

Report of By-laws & markets Committee on the subject of the annual licensing of Hackney Carriages read. The report recommended the granting of licences for outside Hackney Carriages to the number of 30, three of them being conditional upon carriages being first put into a proper state of repair, and for Brakes and Covered Cars, to the number of 10. The application of William Farrell, John St., was not recommended.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Cullen.

A Supplemental list of tenements for revision of valuation was submitted and approved on the motion of Councillor McGowan seconded by Councillor Cullen.

Yard Stewards in Cairns - Drogheda Brewery Resolution of protest re

A Communication of the Drogheda Trades Council forwarding copy of a resolution of protest against the action of Cairns' Drogheda Brewery in advertising in a Belfast newspaper for a Yard Steward was read.

The resolution was adopted on the motion of Councillor McGowan seconded by Councillor Cullen, Councillor Lynch dissenting.

Interest on Local Loans -

Circular letter from the Local Govt. Board announcing an increase of one per cent on the rate of interest on local loans was read.

A resolution of the Limerick County Borough Council protesting against

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Resolution re D.O.R.A.

against the unjust differentiation against Ireland in the enforcement of the Defence of the Realm Act was adopted on the motion of Alderman Jordan seconded by Councillor Cullen.

Mark J Clarke
15/9/15

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September 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- P. B. Moore.

Councillors:- D. Reddan, P. Cullen, L. Stanley, J. Clarke & J. Berrill.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages sheet examined and signed.

Price of Coal
Regulation of

Upon the reading of a circular letter of the Board of Trade a committee consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Lyons and Councillors Cullen, Stanley and Lynch was appointed to interview the local coal Merchants with a view to regulating the price of coal for the coming winter.

Artisans Dwellings
Balance of Loan ✓

Letter from the Local Government Board read intimating that they had recommended the Commissioners of Public Works to issue to the Corporation a sum of £270 as a final instalment of the Loan of £15000 sanctioned for Artizans Dwellings.

Imprisonment of
Irish Volunteers ✓

A Resolution of the Corporation of Dublin protesting against the imprisonment of Irish Volunteers without satisfactory reasons being given was unanimously adopted.

Mark J Clarke
6. 10. 15

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October 6th.

Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.

Aldermen:- P. Drew, P. B. Moore

Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, P. Cullen, J. J. Callan, D. Branigan, C. O'Connor, J. Berrill, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Dolan.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages
Payments

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages sheet examined and signed.

Payments Ordered:- Borough Fund £531:19:10
Artizans Dwellings &c. 204: 9: 4d
Public Library 8: 14: 9.

re Tholsel premises

A letter from the Hibernian Bank enquiring whether the Corporation would renew the Lease of the 'Tholsel' premises, was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

An application of five Firebrigademen for an extra day's pay on Sunday, was referred to the Housing Committee.

Distress Committee
Auditor's Report ✓

Communication from the Local Govt. Board, read, enclosing a copy of the Report of the Auditor upon his audit of the Accounts of the Distress Committee for the season 1914-15, together with an ~~Abstract~~ certified Abstract of the Account.

Price of Coal

It was reported that no agreement had been arrived at between the Committee appointed by the Corporation and the local Coal Merchants as to the price to be charged for coal during the coming Winter.

Confirmation of
Minutes of
Committees

The Minutes of the Gas Works Committee from the 15th April to the 26th August inclusive were approved on the motion of Councillor Cullen, seconded by Councillor Stanley.

The minutes of the Law & Finance Committee from the 5th July to the 30th August inclusive were approved on the motion of Councillor Stanley, seconded by Councillor O'Connor.

An amendment of Alderman Moore, seconded by Councillor Berrill

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Berrill, that the Minutes be not approved being defeated by 8 votes to 3. 20/10/15

Thos McCullough

1915 October 20th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:

In the Chair - Alderman T. McCullough.
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, P. Drew, P.B. Moore.
Councillors:- W. T. Skeffington, J.J. Callan, C. O'Connor, A. J. MacQuillan, J.S. Kelly, T.V. MacQuillan, S.P. Cullen, J. Clarke, L. Stanley, J. Berrill, M. McGowan

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages sheet examined and signed.

Consideration of an application by the Workmen for an increase in their wages of 4/- per week was adjourned to a special meeting to be held upon Wednesday the 27th October.

Surcharges

Four Surcharges made by the Auditor, were brought under the notice of the Council.

Deputation to wait on L.G.B. re ✓

A deputation consisting of the Mayor and Councillor Skeffington was appointed to wait upon the Local Government Board with a view to having the Surcharges remitted.

List of Arrears & Lost Rates

The Rate Collector's lists of Arrears and Irrecoverable Rates in respect of the half-year ending 30th September, the same having been previously passed by a sub committee, were submitted and approved.

Recovery of Arrears by Solicitor

Two items - S.G. Cooke £19:19:4, and Mrs. Kuaggs, £3:4:9 - were taken exception to. It was explained that their collection was in the hands of the Solicitor who had lately been giving attention to the matter.

The Council approved a resolution of the Drogheda Recruiting Committee, advocating the establishment of a

Military

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Military Depot in Drogheda, and directed that a copy of the same should be sent to the Lord Lieutenant and to Colonel East, c/o no. 12 District, Cork.

Technical School Auditor's Report

The Auditor's Report upon his audit of the Accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for the year ending 31st March last was submitted.

No order was made upon a request of Mrs. A.M. Tiernan that the footpath in front of her premises, Windmill Lane, should be concreted.

Thos J Elcock
3/11/15

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Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House this day at eleven o'c. in the forenoon, to consider an application of the workmen for an increase in wages.

Present:

In the Chair - Alderman T. McCullough.
Aldermen - P. Lyons, P.B. Moore, S. Jordan.
Councillors:- J. Berrill, W. T. Skeffington, D. Branigan, J. Clarke, J.J. Callan, C. O'Connor, A. J. MacQuillan, J.S. Kelly, S.P. Cullen, M. McGowan, F. Byrne, P. Lynch, L. Stanley

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Increase in Wages of Workmen ✓

A Return of the wages paid in various towns similar to Drogheda was submitted from which it appeared that the average wage of Scavengers was 18/6 and of Carters 19/1. The application of the men requesting an increase of 4/- was also read. The Council were informed that in May 1912 there had been an increase of 1/-; in April 1914 of 2/-, and in April 1915 of 1/- in the men's wages.

After a lengthened discussion it was unanimously agreed on the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor O'Connor to grant a further increase of 2/- per week all round.

Jno J Callan
17/11/15

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November 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at eleven o'clock a.m.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Drew
Councillors:- J. Clarke, M. McGowan, S.P. Cullen, A.J. MacAuillan, J. Byrne, P. Lynch, J.V. MacAuillan.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages
Payments

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.
Payments Ordered - Borough Fund £104: 13: 0
Artisans Dwellings Loan a/c 71: 7: 5
Public Library 5: 3: 0

School Attendance Officer's Salary - increase

Report of School Attendance Committee, read again requesting the Council to ratify the Committee's action in increasing the School Attendance Office's salary by £10 per annum.

Committee's action ratified

Alderman Drew proposed, Councillor A.J. MacAuillan seconding, that the Report of the School Attendance Committee of the 20th July 1915 recommending that the School Attendance Officer's salary be increased by £10 per annum be and is hereby adopted.

A direct negative was moved by Councillor M. McGowan and seconded by Councillor Cullen.

On a division the amendment was only supported in addition to the proposer and seconder by Councillor Byrne. It was therefore declared lost by 6 votes to 3. The original resolution was put as a substantive motion and declared carried by 6 votes to 3.

Chas. E. McCann
Letter re death of

Letter read from T.F. Ryan, Johnie Lane Distillery Dublin, intimating the death of Mr. Charles E. McCann, formerly Rate Collector and superannuated Officer of the Corporation. No order made.

Surcharges

Correspondence with the Local Government Board in relation to surcharges made at last audit was read, from which it appeared that the Board would not receive a deputation

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deputation until the reasons for a remission of the surcharges had been ~~made~~ given in writing by the persons aggrieved.

Sale of Coal
Limitation of profits

An enquiry from the Board of Trade together with a copies of the reply thereto as to the limitation of profits from the sale of household Coal by local Coal merchants was read. No order made.

Correspondence on the subject of the making of municipal in Drogheda was read.

Jno. J. Callan
17/11/15

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November 17th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:

In the Chair - Councillor J.J. Callan
Aldermen:- P. Drew
Councillors:- J. Clarke, M. McGowan, D. Reddan, S.P. Cullen, J. Byrne, J.V. MacAuillan, A.J. MacAuillan, P. Lynch, C. O'Connor, J. Berrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.

A report of the Town Clerk relating to the financial position of the Corporation was read and referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

School Attendance Officers Salary
Motion to rescind

Pursuant to Notice of motion Councillor M. McGowan moved, Councillor Cullen, seconding:- That the decision of the Council granting an increase of £10 per annum to Mr. P. Stanley School attendance Officer be rescinded.

A division was called for, when there voted.

For the motion	Against the motion
Councillors:- M. McGowan, D. Reddan, S.P. Cullen, J. Byrne, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor	Alderman Drew; Councillors A.J. MacAuillan, J.V. MacAuillan, J.J. Callan, J. Clarke, P. Lynch, ~~the Chairman~~

Motion defeated

The Chairman gave his casting vote against the motion and accordingly declared it lost.

Jno. J. Callan

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December 1st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at eleven o'clock, a.m.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Drew, P.B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, M. McEvoy, S.P. Cullen, T. Byrne, J. Davis, A. MacAuillan, P. Lynch, J. Bevill, C. O'Connor, D. Branigan, W.T. Skeffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages Payments

The Minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.
Payments Ordered:- Borough Fund £844. 17. 1
Public Library 11. 7. 9

The consideration of the Auditor's Report was adjourned till next meeting.

U.I.L. Convention Delegates to.

The following were appointed as Delegates to the Louth County Convention, U.I.L. to be held in Dundalk on Sunday December 5th 1915:- His Worship the mayor, Councillors W.T. Skeffington J.P., Peter Lynch J.P. A. J. MacAuillan J.P.

Rent Raising Bill Resolution re/

On the motion of Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Skeffington it was unanimously resolved:- "That this Corporation are of opinion that the Rent Raising Bill at present before the House of Commons should be made universally applicable in lieu of the clauses limiting its application to large towns and munition areas".

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December 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at eleven o'clock, a.m.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, M. McEvoy, T. Byrne, S.P. Cullen, D. Reddan, P. Lynch, A. MacAuillan, C. O'Connor, J.J. Callan, W.T. Skeffington, J. Bevill, J. Davis.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.

The consideration of the Auditor's Report and Statement of Accounts was adjourned till next meeting.

Councillor J. Davis Absence from meetings

Report of Town Clerk read intimating that Cllr. James Davis had been absent from all meetings of the Corporation from the 19th May to the 24th November, a period of more than six months.

Mr. Davis, who was present, made an explanation which was considered satisfactory.

Jas. Egan's premises Boundaries of

Mr. Patrick Callan, Solicitor, appeared before the Council in relation to the boundaries of his client, James Egan's, premises.

It was decided to defer consideration of the matter until the Minutes of the Law & Finance Committee come before the Council for ratification.

Borough Surveyor J. J. Burke appointed to act

Mr. J. J. Burke was appointed to temporarily discharge the duties of Borough Surveyor during Mr. Delahunty's illness.

Horse Feeding Tenders for

Two tenders were submitted for the supply of Horse Feeding, that of Peter McEvoy being the cheapest, was accepted. The prices being:-
Best White Oats (whole) @ 18/6 per barrell; Crushed Oats 19/- per barrell
" " Bran 10/9 per cwt & Best Salt 4d. per stone.

Recruiting Campaign Resolution re/

Captain Kelly, representative of the Lord Lieutenant, having appeared before the Council in connection with the Recruiting Campaign in Ireland, the following resolution was unanimously passed

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passed on the motion of His Worship the mayor, seconded by Councillor Lynch:-

Recruiting Campaign Resolution re

"That we hereby express our approval of the recruiting campaign inaugurated by His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland which has the cordial sympathy and support of of John E. Redmond, M.P. the Chairman of the Irish Parliamentary Party, and we believe that given a fair trial Irishmen will nobly respond to the call of the Empire to fill the gaps in the Irish Regiments now serving at the Front, so that this great War, in which so many of our fellow countrymen are taking part, may be brought to a speedy and glorious termination".

The consideration of the remaining business was adjourned till next meeting.

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1916 January 5th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor
Aldermen:- P. Drew, P.B. Moore
Councillors:- J. J. Callan, A.J. MacQuillan, P. Lynch, D. Reddan, J. Davis, J.S. Kelly, J. Clarke, F. Byrne, L. Stanley.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages Payments.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.
Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £ 799: 19: 5
Public Library £ 11: 13: 1

The consideration of the Auditor's Report was adjourned for one month.

Sloblands Conveyance Report of Town Clerk re

Report of Town Clerk as follows, read:-
"At your last meeting the Secretary to the Harbour Board brought before you the Draft Conveyance of the Sloblands for

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for approval. As the Corporation had already approved the Draft Conveyance and had conveyed their views thereon to the Harbour Commissioners there was no apparent reason for again bringing the matter before you. The Draft had been amended by Mr. J.H. McCann, Solicitor, on behalf of the Harbour Board when it came before the Law & Finance Committee who assumed that in its amended form it met with the approval of the Board. It would appear however that after being returned the Draft was again submitted to Mr. McCann who has made fresh amendments.

The proposed Conveyance is a copy of a standard form in use for grants of Crown Lands throughout the United Kingdom and it is in the last degree improbable that it will be departed from. It is a matter for the consideration of the Harbour Board whether it is desirable to enter into a lengthy legal correspondence in the hope of having the form altered, but the Corporation would be ill advised to take any part in it."

It was decided to refer the matter to the Sloblands Committee.

Food & Drugs prosecution against McCann & Hill Letter from Solr. re

Lengthy report read from J.H. McCann, Solicitor, relating to a prosecution under the Food & Drugs Act brought against Messrs McCann & Hill Ltd, in which he asked for instructions as to whether or not Sir Charles Cameron should be asked to attend to give evidence.

No order made.

N.H. Insurance Act Resolution urging repeal of

Resolution read from the Roscommon County Council urging the repeal of the National Health Insurance Act so far as it relates to the Rural Districts of Ireland.

It was decided to send the resolution to the Trades Council for their consideration.

Elections & Registration Act

Circular letter from the Local Government Board in relation to the Elections and Registration Act 1915, read. No order made.

Ancient Monuments Preservation of

Correspondence from the Office of Public Works on the subject of the preservation of ancient monuments within the Borough, read.

It was decided to bring the matter under the notice of the County Council of Louth.

On the motion of Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor Kelly it was unanimously resolved:- "That this Council have heard

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Removal of Soldiers from Millmount
Resolution re

heard with regret the intention of the Military Authorities to remove the detachment of Soldiers at present Stationed in Millmount ~~Barracks~~ and request the Military Authorities to re-consider their decision and if possible allow this detachment to remain in Drogheda or be replaced by some other detachment as we believe it would be detrimental to recruiting if the Military were removed from this area.

Condolences

Votes of Condolence were unanimously passed with the family of the late Rev. T. Cassidy O.P. ~~Dead~~ Tenure, and with the Dominican Fathers on the death of the Rev. Douglas A. Boyd O.P.

Luke J. Elcock
24. 1. 16

1916
January 24th

Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Monday the 24th day of January 1916 at the hour of noon.

Present:-

In the Chair His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. Drew, T. McCullough, P. Lyons, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, D. Reddan, S. P. Cullen, J. J. Kelly, T. V. McQuillan, A. J. McQuillan, J. Dolan, J. Byrne, M. McGowan, C. O'Connor, D. Branigan, J. Callan, J. Berrill, J. Davis, W. J. Skeffington.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Election of Mayor 1916-1917

Councillor T. V. McQuillan, moved and Councillor McGowan seconded - That Councillor Lawrence Stanley be elected to the position of Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1917.

Councillor Callan proposed and Councillor Davis seconded - That Alderman Luke J. Elcock, outgoing mayor, be re-elected.

On a poll being taken there voted for:-

Stanley	Elcock
Aldermen:- Jordan, Drew, McCullough.	Aldermen:- Lyons.
Councillors:- McGowan, Reddan, Cullen, Kelly, T. V. McQuillan, A. J. McQuillan, Dolan, Byrne, Clarke, Berrill, Branigan. (11)	Councillors:- Davis, O'Connor Skeffington & Callan. (5)

Alderman Moore declined to vote.

Councillor Stanley was thereupon declared elected by 11 votes to 5. and having made a Declaration of Acceptance of Office; taken the Oath appertaining to the Office of mayor and of Justice of the Peace, and been invested by the outgoing mayor with the Chain of Office took the Chair.

Councillor Stanley Elected

A vote of thanks to the outgoing mayor for his services during the past year was proposed by Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor O'Connor, and carried unanimously.

Withdrawal of Grant Teachers Classes & Protest against

On the motion of Alderman Block, seconded by Councillor Kelly the Statement of the "Mansion House Conference" protesting against the action of the Department of Agriculture in withdrawing the provision

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provision made for Teachers' Classes in the subject of their programme, was unanimously adopted.

Royal Irish Academy of Music

Withdrawal of Grants

Protest against

A further resolution protesting against the action of the Treasury in withdrawing the grant of £300 per annum to the Royal Irish Academy of Music was unanimously adopted, and copies of the same were ordered to be sent to the Prime Minister, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, and the Vice-President of the Department of Agriculture.

It was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting until Wednesday the 2nd February proximo at 11 o'clock a.m.

C. Stanley
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Minutes of an adjourned Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held on this day at 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.

Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. Drew, L. I. Elcock.

Councillors:- J. Clarke, F. Byrne, M. McGowan, S. P. Cullen, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor, J. J. Callan, D. Branigan, J. S. Kelly, J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

Wages.

Payments.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments ordered - Borough Fund £644 = 6 = 8.
Public Library 5: 10: 7.

Quarterly Meetings Fixing of

Alderman Jordan proposed and Alderman Drew seconded - "That the remaining Quarterly meetings of the year be held at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the first Wednesday in April, the third Wednesday in July, and the first Wednesday in October."

Motion put and carried.

The following Committees were appointed for the year ending 23rd January 1917: the Mayor being ex-officio Chairman:-

Bye-Laws

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Bye-Laws & Markets Committee:-

Aldermen:- P. Lyons, T. McCullough, L. I. Elcock.

Councillors:- M. McGowan, D. Reddan, S. P. Cullen, D. Branigan, I. Berrill

Committees

Law & Finance Committee:-

Aldermen:- T. McCullough, L. I. Elcock.

Councillors:- S. P. Cullen, D. Branigan, M. McGowan, A. J. MacQuillan, W. T. Skeffington, C. O'Connor.

Gas Works Committee:-

Aldermen:- P. Lyons, T. McCullough, P. Drew, L. I. Elcock.

Councillors:- S. P. Cullen, F. Byrne, J. S. Kelly, P. Lynch.

Water Works Committee:-

Aldermen:- P. Lyons, S. Jordan, L. I. Elcock.

Councillors:- F. Byrne, M. McGowan, D. Reddan, T. V. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor.

Technical Instruction & Public Library Committee:-

Aldermen:- T. McCullough, P. B. Moore, L. I. Elcock.

Councillors:- W. T. Skeffington, P. Lynch, T. V. MacQuillan.

Rt. Rev. Mgr. P. Segrave, Very Rev. D. Flynn, P.P., Rev. Chancellor L. P. T. Ledoux, Rev. T. R. Brunskill; messrs. W. J. D. Walker, C.B., M. A. Casey.

Housing Committee:-

Aldermen:- P. Lyons, S. Jordan, P. B. Moore, L. I. Elcock.

Councillors:- J. J. Callan, J. Davis, M. McGowan, P. Lynch.

Auditor's Report Deferred for attendance of Boro' Surveyor

It was unanimously agreed to consider the Auditor's Report at a special meeting of the Council to be held towards the end of the month or sooner if the Borough Surveyor would be able to attend.

Workmen's Compensation Act.

A report of the Town Clerk suggesting that an annual amount should be set apart to cover risks under the Workmen's Compensation Acts was referred to the Law & Finance Committee for consideration.

Minutes of Committees Confirmation of

The minutes of the Gas Works Committee from 7th October to the 16th December; the Law & Finance Committee from 4th October to 29th November, and the Water Works Committee from 14th July to 8th December, inclusive, were adopted on the motion of Councillor Cullen seconded by Councillor T. V. MacQuillan, save the Minute of the Law & Finance Committee dealing with Messrs. Egan & Dwyer's premises, such matter to be re-considered by that Committee.

Correspondence in connection with ~~the~~ proposed Conveyance of the Slobbands

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Sloblands was read and approved.

Condolence

A vote of condolence with the family of the late Father Clarke was proposed by Alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor A.J. MacQuillan, and passed unanimously.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- L. Jordan, L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, J. Byrne, L.P. Cullen, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor, J.J. Callan, J. Davis, M. McGowan.

Minutes
Wages

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Sloblands
Agreement for consent of L.G.B. to narrow strip of land along Mornington Road.

Communication from Secretary of the Drogheda Harbour Board, read forwarding for approval draft of an Agreement prepared by Mr. J. McCann, Solicitor, to be entered into by the Corporation and the Harbour Commissioners whereby the Corporation undertake, inter alia, to apply for the consent of the Local Government Board to assign to the Harbour Commissioners and the Corporation jointly a narrow strip of land along the road leading to Mornington.

Mr. McCann, Solicitor, having been sent for, he attended and advised that it was essential the Corporation should enter into the Agreement.

The Draft was thereupon read and approved on the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Alderman Jordan.

Councillor Callan proposed, and Alderman Elcock seconded that Mr. McCann do approve on behalf of the Corporation of the proposed conveyance from the Board of Trade to the Corporation and the Harbour Commissioners jointly of premises at St. James' known as the "Sloblands". Motion put and carried

Letters

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Condolences
Acknowledgment of

Letters read from Rev. F. T. Crofts, O.P., Prior, St. Magdalen's, Drogheda, and Rev. Matthew Clarke, O.M.I., thanking the Council for their votes of condolence upon the deaths of the Rev. Douglas Boyd, O.P., and the Rev. John Clarke I.P. Clogherhead.

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1916.
March 1st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. McCullough.
Councillors:- J.J. Callan, J. Davis, L.P. Cullen, J.V. MacQuillan, C. Lynch, J. Clarke.

Minutes
Wages
Payments

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered: Borough Fund £3,129.0.1
Public Library 29.2.4

Public Lighting
Curtailing of

The Mayor introduced as a matter of pressing importance the question of curtailing Public Lighting so as to effect an immediate saving as an off-set to the increase in the price of Gas.

It was understood that the matter would be considered by the Gas Works and Law and Finance Committees.

Levying of Rates
Counsel's Opinion

Counsel's Opinion upon the making and levying of rates and upon various questions connected therewith was submitted.

Ordered that the same be brought before the Law and Finance Committee and the Waterworks Committee.

County Council Demand

The Demand of the County Council of Louth in respect of the ensuing year was submitted. No order made.

Sloblands
Conveyance to Harbour Commissioners
Agreement executed

An Agreement with the Drogheda Harbour Commissioners was this day executed whereby the Corporation undertake, inter alia, to apply for the consent of the Local Government Board to enter into a Deed vesting in the Commissioners and

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and the Corporation jointly a portion of the Corporate Estate situate at St. James and being the northern boundary of land proposed to be conveyed by the Board of Trade to the said Commissioners and Corporation.

U. J. Nugent's premises
Possession of

Letter read from the Solicitor to the Corporation in relation to the failure of the Sheriff to give the Corporation possession of M. J. Nugent's premises in West Street.

It was agreed to defer consideration of the matter to next meeting.

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March 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock a.m. on this day.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- P. Byrne, J. Clarke, A. J. MacGuillan, C. O'Connor, J. J. Callan, W. T. Heffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages sheet examined and passed.

Labourers Plots Moneymore
Receipts for purchase money executed

Receipts amounting to £25:6:6 and £25:9:5 were this day executed for the purchase by the Louth Rural District Council, together with interest thereon, of Labourers Plots at Moneymore on the holdings of Patrick Bellew and John Leland.

On the motion of Councillor Heffington seconded by Councillor Callan it was Resolved:

Condolence

"That we tender to Alderman Lyons the expression of our profound sympathy on the death of his brother, the late Mr James Lyons Dublin."

Proposed by alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor

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Councillor A. J. Mac Guillan and Resolved:

Condolence

"That we the Corporation of Drogheda have learned with deep sorrow of the death of Lieutenant R. de Davis, elder son of Councillor James Davis, who was killed in action in Mesopotamia, and that we respectfully tender to his bereaved parents our profound sympathy.

"and that this meeting be and is hereby adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of a gallant son of a highly respected member of this Council."

R. Stanley 5/4/16

1916.
March 27th

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at noon on this day to consider the Auditor's Report for past financial year.

Present.

Special meeting

In the Chair - Alderman L. J. Elcock and subsequently
His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, J. McCullough.
Councillors:- W. T. Heffington, P. Byrne, J. J. Kelly, J. V. MacGuillan, M. McGowan, J. Berrill, S. Reddan and J. P. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

The Auditor's Report was considered paragraph by paragraph.

Auditor's Report

The first four paragraphs dealing with Investments, Financial Position, Rents of artizan Dwellings and Offices, Collection of Leasehold &c Rents were read and an explanation was read by the Borough Treasurer in relation to the latter paragraph.

Councillor McGowan moved that the resolution of Nov. 1914 be carried into effect. The resolution was not seconded.
No order made. - Legal Business generally.

The fifth paragraph was then read together with an explanation from the Solicitor to the Corporation.

The next paragraph - Wages - Surcharges - having been read it was agreed that there should be a written explanation from the Borough Surveyor and that it, along with the Solicitor's should be circulated amongst the Council.

The Meeting adjourned for two weeks.

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April 5th

Minutes of a quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at 11 o'c a.m.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman:– L.J. Elcock,
Councillors:– J. Clarke, J. Byrne, J.P. Cullen, M. McGowan, A.J. MacQuillan, J.V. MacQuillan, J. Berrill, P. Lynch, J.J. Callan, C. O'Connor, W.J. Heffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages Payments

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered: Borough Fund £575:19:3
Public Library 8:8:11

Rate Collectors Lists of Arrears Lost Rates

The Rate Collectors lists of arrears and Irrecoverable Rates, amounting to £13:18:8 and £96:4:10 respectively, for the year ending 31st March were submitted and approved.

Gas Minutes of Committees Confirmation of

The Minutes of the Gas Works, Water Works and Law and Finance Committees for the past quarter were approved.

Gas Deposits Interest on

Ordered that interest on Gas Deposits be allowed off accounts in each quarter.

Striking of Rates Report of Town Clerk re

Upon the reading of a report of the Town Clerk in relation to the striking of rates for the current fiscal period a Committee consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Elcock and Councillors Heffington, O'Connor, Cullen, Lynch, J.V. MacQuillan, McGowan was appointed to consider the matter.

Sale of Coke Motion re – withdrawn

A Notice of Motion of Councillor McGowan with reference to the sale of Coke at the Gas Works was seconded by Councillor Cullen and subsequently withdrawn.

Condolences Acknowledgment of

~~The meeting adjourned.~~ Letters were read from Alderman Lyons and Councillor Davis thanking the Council for their Votes of Condolence

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1916.
April 10th

Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at noon.

Present.

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:– J. McCullough, L.J. Elcock.
Councillors:– J. Byrne, M. McGowan, J.P. Cullen, A.J. MacQuillan, J. Berrill, W.J. Heffington, J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Auditors Report

Further consideration of the auditor's Report was proceeded with.

Solicitor to attend meeting & give explanation

Ordered that the Solicitor do attend next meeting to supplement his written explanation.

Borough Treasurer to keep copy of Tenders

Ordered that the Borough Treasurer do keep a copy of all tenders so as to check accounts.

Mrs. Kate Kelly Retiring allowance

Proposed by alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor Heffington and Resolved (Councillors Byrne and McGowan dissenting) That Mrs. Kate Kelly be paid a retiring allowance of 3/6 per week as already agreed upon the same to be properly set out upon the wages sheet as a retiring allowance.

The meeting adjourned.

L. Stanley Chairman

1916
April 19th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at 11 o'c. a.m.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman:– L.J. Elcock.
Councillors:– J. Clarke, D. Reddan, J.J. Callan, W.J. Heffington, J. Berrill, J.V. MacQuillan, J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages sheet examined and passed.

Condolence

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Cllr. Berrill a vote of condolence was unanimously passed with Councillor Cullen upon the death of his daughter.

Report

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Hay-market Purchase of

Report of Law and Finance Committee read recommending the redemption of the rent payable out of portion of the Hay Market to Repo. of Batter at sixteen two thirds years purchase - £1000.

The report was approved subject to the investments of the Corporation in Dublin Corporation Stock being realized at £70 p.

Auditor's Report
Solicitor's explanation

Further consideration of the Auditor's Report and the explanations in connection therewith was next proceeded with. The Solicitor to the Corporation was in attendance and made a verbal explanation in addition to his written one. The Borough Surveyor having made a statement in connection with some of the surcharges the final consideration of the report was adjourned to next meeting.

Borough Surveyor's Statement

Butter Gate & Old Abbey
Vesting in Co. Council

At the request of the Co. Louth Archaeological Society Consent was given to vesting the Butter Gate and the Old Abbey in the County Council of Louth.

Council Book of Corporation 1649
Presentation Copy to National Library

It was unanimously decided to present to the National Library a copy of Dr. Gogarty's Book - "Drogheda - Council Book of the Corporation, 1649."

Valuation Appeals

The Council approved of appeals against the Revision of the Valuations of the Waterworks and Houses in the alleys belonging to the Church of Ireland Clergymen Widows Trust.

Sale of Coal
Limitation of profits

A Committee consisting of the Mayor with Alderman Alcock and Councillors Skeffington and McGowan was appointed to confer with local Coal Merchants on the subject of a limitation of profits from the sale of Coal.

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1916
May 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock a.m. on this day

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- P. Drew, L. J. Alcock,

Councillors:- J. Clarke, D. Reddan, J. Berrill, J. J. Callan, W. J. Skeffington, O. P. Cullen.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages
Payments

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages sheet examined and passed.

Payments ordered: Borough Fund £860: 16: 9.
Public Library 6: 5: 10.

Condolence
Acknowledgment of

Letter read from Councillor Cullen thanking the Council for their vote of condolence.

Dr. Gogarty's Book
Copy to National Library

The Mayor intimated that he would present a copy of Dr. Gogarty's Book on the records of the Corporation to the National Library.

It was unanimously agreed to adjourn consideration of the remaining business to a Special Meeting to be held on the 8th May.

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1916.
May 8th

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock, a.m. on this day.

Present:

His Worship the mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- P. Drew, L. J. Elcock.

Councillors:- J. Clarke, J. P. Cullen, W. McGowan, P. Lynch, J. Dolan, W. J. Skeffington, J. J. Callan, J. Berrill, A. J. MacQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Striking of Rates
Report on

Read report of Committee appointed to consider the question of the Striking of Rates and what municipal economies can be effected. The Report recommended the mechanical handling of coal from Ship to Shed which for an outlay of £1400 would

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Public Lighting
Reduction in no. of lamps

would effect a saving of £200 per annum in the Gas Works Department; and further recommended reduced Public Lighting, and the installation of automatic lamps which would reduce the expenditure upon Public Lighting to about £175 per annum; no lamps to be lighted from 1st May to the 1st September except one at West Gate, one at Post Office, one at Tholsel, one at Bull Ring corner, one at Dublin Gate and one at Lawrence Gate; from the 1st September all Lamps except those referred to to be extinguished at 11.30 pm; and a re-arrangement of Public Lamps to be made so as to effect a permanent reduction in their number.

The Report further recommended that the expenditure of the Borough Surveyor's Department should be restricted as follows:-

Paving & Repair of Streets (including tarring) £1100; Cleansing & Watering of Streets £700; Sewers £50; Fire Brigade £40; Cleansing of Ashpits £100; Sanitary Charges £140; Markets £20; Municipal Property £100; Repairs to Workmen's Dwellings £200; Pumps & Fountains £100

That the Rates to be struck for the current financial year should not exceed but be equivalent to, the Rates struck for the past financial year.

Tullyallen Quarry
Stone from
Ashpits
Charge for cleansing of

That steps be taken towards the obtaining of stone from a Quarry in the neighbourhood of Tullyallen.

That there be a uniform charge of 2/- per load for the cleansing of Ashpits of every class of tenement, and where more than one load requires to be removed the charge to be 1/6 for every load or part of a load after the first load.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor Callan, ~~Councillor~~ Alderman Drew and Councillor Dolan dissenting to the rate for the Water Supply being assessed in full on land as part of the Borough Rate.

Irish Rebellion 1916
Resolution of
condemnation of

On the motion of Alderman Elcock seconded by Alderman Drew it was unanimously resolved — "That this Corporation the majority of whose members have been identified from the days of O'Connell with the constitutional movement for the obtaining of Self Government for Ireland, desires to place on record its condemnation of the recent futile and deplorable

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deplorable occurences in Dublin, and elsewhere, by which men who have been the avowed enemies of the Irish Constitutional movement have sought to inflict grave injury on that movement and we desire to tender to Mr. John Redmond, and the Irish Parliamentary Party this expression of our continued confidence in them, and the means and methods they have employed so successfully to secure Home Rule for our Country."

Volunteer Bodies
Disarment of

Councillor McGowan proposed and Councillor Lynch seconded "That we suggest to the Leader of the Irish Parliamentary Party the advisability of recommending to the Government the disarment of all Volunteer Bodies throughout Ireland"

Motion put and carried.

The final consideration of the Auditor's Report was further adjourned.

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1916
May 17th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock a.m. on this day.

Present

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, M. McGowan, D. Reddan, J. Davis, T. V. McMillan, J. Berrill, D. Branigan, J. J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Auditor's Report

The Council took into final consideration the Auditor's Report upon his audit of the accounts for the year ending 31st March 1915, together with explanations and reports furnished by the Solicitor to the Corporation, the Borough Surveyor, and the Town Clerk.

Hay market
Scale of charges

Ordered that the Bye Laws & Markets Committee do consider the scale of charges presently in force in the Hay Market, and that the Auditor be asked to furnish the letter from the Ratepayer who made a complaint regarding the auctions of Manure

The Town Clerk reported that Mrs. S. G. Cooke had now paid

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paid the Arrears of Poor Rate, amounting to £11: 5: 4, due upon the Half Rent issuing to her out of Drogheda Union Workhouse, and that there were now no arrears of rates due in respect of Half Rents.

Housing Fund contribution
Town Clerk's statement re

Communication from the Local Government Board read intimating that a Paying Order for £103: 15: 6 had been transmitted to the Treasurer as the Council's proportion of the Housing Fund for the past financial year. The Town Clerk stated that the contribution was equal to 18½% of the Council's liability and was the lowest contribution yet received, the Housing Fund instead of increasing, as was generally supposed would be the case, was declining.

Food & Drugs Act
R.I.C. Inspectors under

There being no reply from the Local Government Board to the enquiry of the Corporation – whether the services of Members of the R. I. C. would be given gratuitously as Inspectors under the Food & Drugs Act – the Council decided it was unnecessary to make such appointments, the work being efficiently discharged by their own Inspectors.

Irish Rebellion 1916
Release of Sinn Fein prisoners

Proposed by His Worship the mayor, seconded by Councillor Callan, and resolved:- "That we, the Corporation of Drogheda, whilst deeply deploring the recent disturbances in Dublin and realising the enormous difficulties with which the Government have had to contend, now that order has been restored, request of the Prime Minister that the wholesale arrests of respectable citizens who have taken no part whatever in the movement be discontinued, and that those already arrested and deported to England be released and sent to their homes without delay, as it is only by such a course the normal condition of affairs can be restored."

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1916.
June 7th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor, in the chair.
Aldermen:- L. J. Woods, P. S. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, M. McEowan, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Farrell, J. J. Callan, W. J. Heffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages — Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments — Payments ordered: Borough Fund £839: 3: 4. Public Library 15: 19: 11

Mayor's Salary to be fixed at £200
Motion lost

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor McEowan moved: "That in the future election of Mayor the salary shall be fixed at £200 instead of £250 per annum, as at present".

Councillor A. J. MacQuillan having seconded the motion a vote was taken. Only the proposer and seconder were for the motion which was declared lost by seven votes to two.

Rate Resolutions

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Heffington it was Resolved:-

"That this Council do hereby make strike and impose a Borough Rate of thirty pence in the pound on the owners occupiers or tenants of all hereditaments within the Borough rateable for the relief of the poor upon the annual value thereof (as recommended by the report of the Retrenchment Committee of the 29th April 1916 adopted by the Council on the 8th May 1916). That is to say – twelve pence in the pound for the maintenance of the Public Works transferred to the Council by section 27 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, in order to raise the sum of £1890 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of such maintenance for the year ending 31st March 1917; sixteen pence in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and Acts amending and extending the same in order to raise the sum of £1710 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of the Water Supply for

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for the year ending 31st March 1917; one penny in the pound for expenses under the Public Libraries acts 1855 to 1902, in order to raise the sum of £107:10:0 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses to be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said last mentioned acts for the year ending 31st March 1917; one penny in the pound for expenses under the Agricultural Technical Instruction Act 1889 and the Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act 1899, in order to raise the sum of £107:10:0, being the amount which the Council has estimated will be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said acts for the year ending 31st March 1917.

"That the ~~said~~ Rate Book and all the entries made therein, be, and the same is hereby adopted as the Rate Book by the Council, and that the same be duly signed as such, and it is hereby ordered that the said Rates shall be payable on and after the 7th day of June, 1916.

"That the Council do hereby make, strike and impose upon the occupiers of all rateable property within the Borough, a Poor Rate of Thirty four pence in the pound upon the annual value of all such property under the Irish Poor Relief Acts and and the Local Government (Ireland) Acts, 1898-1902, (as recommended by the Report of the Retrenchment Committee of the 29th April 1916, adopted by the Council on the 8th May, 1916) in order to raise the sum of £3650 which has been estimated will meet for the year ending 31st March 1917, the Demand of the County Council, and also the expenses of the Council, to be defrayed out of the Poor Rate, under the last mentioned Acts and Acts amending and extending the same, and that the same shall be payable on and after the 7th day of June, 1916.

The Rate Book and Collector's Warrant were thereupon duly executed and sealed and the Estimates were formally approved.

Surcharges
Cheque from Auditor for

Letters read from E. P. McCarron, Local Government Auditor, forwarding a cheque for £51-8-0 amount of Surcharges made by

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by him at last Audit, and declining to furnish the letter of complaint received from a ratepayer which contained a reference to the auctions of Manure.

Communications from the Local Government Board read forwarding copies of The Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1916, and the Education (Provision of meals) (Ireland) Act 1916.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock a.m. on this day.

Present.

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- S. Jordan.

Councillors:- J. Clarke, D. Reddan, M. McGowan, J. Berrill, T. V. MacQuillan, J. J. Callan, B. O'Connor, D. Cullen.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Minutes
Wages

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Condolence
Acknowledgment of

Letter read from Alderman McCullough thanking the Council for their expression of sympathy upon the death of his daughter.

Fair Green
Purchase of Dolan's field for

Report of Bye Laws and Markets Committee read in relation to the proposed purchase of Councillor Dolan's field at Yardman's Garden for a Fair Green, read.

No order made.

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July 5th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday 5th July 1916.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, J. P. Cullen, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Berrill.

Minutes
Wages
Payments

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £361-3-9.
Public Library 5-11-4.

Bellewstown Races
adjournment for

On the motion of alderman Moore seconded by Councillor T.V. MacQuillan it was agreed to adjourn the consideration of the remaining business, this being one of the days of Bellewstown Races.

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July 19th

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 19th July 1916.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- J. Jordan, L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, M. McGowan, J. Dolan, T. V. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor, J. Kellan, J. Berrill.

Minutes
Wages

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Minutes of Committees
Approval of

The Minutes of the Gas Works, Law & Finance ~~Com~~ and Water Works Committees for the past Quarter were approved.

Alderman Elcock and Councillor McGowan were appointed as Delegates to the Conference of the Associations of Municipal ~~of~~ Authorities of Ireland to be held in the City Hall, Belfast on the 26th & 27th September.

Councillor

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~~Alder~~ Councillor O'Connor withdrew his notice of motion in relation to the Education (Provision of Meals) (Ireland) Acts 1914-16.

Condolence
Acknowledgment of

Letter read from Dr. G. Hamill M.S.O.H. expressing thanks to the Council for their vote of condolence on the death of his brother.

Shirt-making under Trade
Boards Act
Minimum time rates

Circular letter of the Local Government Board read relating to minimum time rates for Shirt-making under the Trade Board's Act.

Waggons & Rails
Sale of

Attention was drawn to the fact that the Waggons and Rails purchased in connection with excavations at Barrathin had not yet been sold as decided upon by the Water Works Committee.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to arrange for their immediate sale.

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1916.
August 2nd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 2nd day of August 1916.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- J. Jordan, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, J. Byrne, J. P. Cullen, J. J. Kelly, J. Berrill, T. V. MacQuillan, J. J. Kellan, C. O'Connor.

Minutes
Wages
Payments

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £698:3:9.
Public Library 6:12:5.

Hackney Carriages
Licensing of

Read, Report of Bye Laws and Markets Committee relating to annual licensing of Hackney Carriages.

Ordered that the matter be brought before the Committee for re-consideration.

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August 16th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 16th day of August 1916.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. Lyons.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, T. Byrne, J.S. Kelly, J. Dolan, J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Irish Party & Home Rule Resolution re

A Resolution of the Nenagh Urban Council relating to the Irish Parliamentary Party and Home Rule was adopted on the motion of Councillor Kelly, seconded by Alderman Jordan.

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September 6th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 6th day of September 1916.

Present:-

His Worship the mayor in the Chair.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, J. Mullen, A. Macauliffe, L. O'Connor
J. Callan, W.T. Skeffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages Payments

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments Ordered — Borough Fund £100 4s : 16 : 0
Public Library 6 : 15 : 4d.

Old Town Wall &c. Borough Surveyor to report upon

The Council received a deputation from the County Louth Archaeological Society in relation to the condition of the remnants of the Old Town Wall.

The Borough Surveyor was instructed to take in a report upon the condition of the various ancient monuments within the Borough, and the condition of the remnants of the Old Town Wall.

Reports

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Reports of the Gas Works Committee recommending increases in the price of Gas and of Coke and the inviting of tenders for the erection of a Platform for the unloading of Coal were read.

Increases in price of Gas & Coke

After considerable discussion it was unanimously agreed that the matter should be further considered by the Gas Works Committee and by the Council; and that the Gas Manager should prepare a Profit & Loss Account for the past 5 years together with detailed and more informative estimates in relation to the proposed increases in the price of Gas and Coke, and a complete estimate of the cost of the proposed Coal Handling Plant.

Platform for unloading Coal Tenders for

Donegan to Corporation Site Palace St

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to an Assignment from Lawrence Donegan, Executor of the late John Callaghan, to the Corporation of a plot of ground upon the east side of Palace Street (site of the proposed Technical School).

An application from the Workmen for an increase in wages of 4s per week was read and referred to the Gas & Finance Committee.

Notice of Audit

Read Notice by the Auditor of his intention to commence the Audit of the Accounts of the past financial year on Tuesday the 19th September instant.

Irish Trades Union Congress Resolutions of adopted

Resolutions of the Irish Trades Union Congress relating to Printing, Irish Manufacture, minimum wage, and public work, were read and adopted unanimously on the motion of the Mayor, seconded by Councillor O'Connor.

Coal Supply for Ireland

A resolution of the Irish Association of Gas Managers on the subject of the coal supply for Ireland was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Skeffington seconded by the Mayor.

Municipal Authorities Association

Read communication from Councillor McGowan intimating his inability to attend the Conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities in Belfast on the 26th & 27th September.

Town Clerk to attend

The Town Clerk was deputed to act as delegate in Councillor McGowan's stead.

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The Town Clerk reported that as the result of correspondence the Inland Revenue Authorities had agreed to make a refund of £89:10:9 in respect of Income Tax paid by the Corporation.

The Town Clerk reported that a meeting of the Bye-Laws and Markets Committee had been duly convened for the re-consideration of their report in relation to the licensing of Hackney Carriages but that a quorum did not attend.

No order made.

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1916 September 20th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 20th September 1916.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- C. O'Connor, S. P. Cullen, J. J. Callan, P. Lynch.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages sheet examined and passed.

Condolence Family of late Peter Kierans

On the motion of Alderman Moore seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan a vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with the family of the late Peter Kierans, Employee of the Corporation.

Adjournment of business

Alderman Moore moved and Councillor Lynch seconded that the meeting be now adjourned to Wednesday the 27th Sept. inst.

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Minutes of an adjourned meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven-fifteen o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 27th September 1916.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- F. Byrne, M. McGowan, S. P. Cullen, P. Lynch, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor, Jno J. Callan, A. J. MacQuillan, D. Branigan, J. Clarke

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Peter Kierans Report of death of

Report of Borough Surveyor read intimating that Peter Kierans had met his death whilst working at the Pumping Engine, New Quay.

No order made.

Weekly Tenants Cultivation of Gardens

The Borough Surveyor and Weekly Rent Collector were instructed to bring in a return of the weekly tenants who do not cultivate their Gardens.

John Smith Car Drivers License

John Smith, Old Hill, applied for and was granted a Car Driver's License.

Price of Gas & Coke Increase in

Report of Gas Works Committee recommending increases in the price of Gas and of Coke, read.

The Mayor proposed and Councillor O'Connor seconded that the price of Gas be raised by 4d to 4/4 per 1000 cb. ft. and of Coke by 5p ~~pe~~ to 35p per ton.

The consideration of the Gas Works Profit & Loss A/c. and detailed estimate of Coal Handling Plant was adjourned to next meeting.

Maternity & Child Welfare Scheme Conference re

Councillor McGowan moved and Councillor Lynch seconded that the consideration of the report relating to Maternity and Child Welfare be adjourned until a Conference between representatives of the Corporation, the Trades Council and the Dairy Owners Association had taken place.

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Quarterly
Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 4th day of October 1916.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- M. McEgovan, J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Berrill, J. J. Callan, C. O'Connor, W. J. Skeffington, D. Branigan, S. O. Cullen

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed
Wages sheet examined and signed.

Minutes
Wages
Payments

Payments ordered — Borough Fund £557: 9: 7
Public Library 35: 3: 11.

Minutes of Committees
Approval of

On the motion of Councillor O'Connor seconded by Councillor Skeffington the minutes of the Law & Finance Committee, Gas Works Committee, and Water Works Committee for the Quarter ending 30th September were confirmed, Councillor Berrill dissenting to the proposed Lease from Mr. G. H. Peutland to the Corporation of ground at Blackbut Lane.

Corporation Workmen
Increase in Wages

Read report of Law & Finance Committee recommending that in response to their application for an increase of 4/- the Workmen be granted an increase of 2/- per week in their wages.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Callan.

Gas Works Profit Loss a/c

A Profit & Loss Account of the Gas Works for the past five years was submitted.

Trading a/c. to be prepared

Ordered that the Gas Works Secretary do prepare a full Trading account and Profit & Loss a/c. for the financial year ending 31st March 1916; and in future he shall prepare, in addition to the accounts required by the Public Bodies Order, accounts as prescribed by the Gas Works Clauses Acts, the same to be printed as part of the yearly Abstract of Accounts.

The question of insuring the Workmen of the Corporation under the

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the Workmen's Compensation Acts was under consideration and adjourned till next meeting.

Irish National Teachers Salaries

A resolution of the Irish National Teachers' advocating an increase in their salaries was unanimously adopted.

Shows in Haymarket
Complaint against holding of

Letter read from Mr. A. I. Mitchell, Distillery, making complaint against the holding of Shows in the Haymarket which is a source of annoyance to the residents of that locality.

Ordered that in future permission be not given to hold Shows in the Hay Market or other open spaces under the control of the Corporation.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 18th day of October 1916.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- C. Drew, P. B. Moore. L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- M. McEgovan, D. Reddan, J. Byrne, J. V. MacQuillan, J. Kavill, J. Dolan, C. O'Connor, J. J. Callan, S. O. Cullen, W. J. Skeffington

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

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Wages

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages sheet examined and signed.

Gas Works Dept.
Statement of a/c.

A further Statement of Account in connection with the Gas Works Department in respect of the year ending 31st March 1916 was under consideration. No order made.

Surcharges

Seven Surcharges made by the Local Government Auditor upon his recent audit of the Accounts of were submitted. It having been explained that the Members of the Council surcharged had already dealt with the matter, No order was made.

Geo. H. Peutland to Corporation
Lease of plot Blackbut Lane.

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to a Lease from George H. Peutland of Blackhall, to the Corporation of a plot of Ground

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ground upon the south side of Blackhall Lane for a term of 150 years from the first November 1916 at the yearly rent of £4.

McBann & Hill Ltd. Sale of premises west side Mayoralty St. Memorial sealed

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to a Memorial to the Local Government Board praying for their sanction to a Sale to Messrs McBann & Hill Ltd. for the sum of Sixty two pounds ten shillings of a strip of ground upon the west side of Mayoralty Street having a frontage of 34 feet and a depth of 9 feet being part of the site occupied by a barn Store of Messrs McBann & Hill.

School Gardening Use of old Jail for

An application by Mr W. P. Allen, Principal, St Patrick's National School, and Dr. William Bradley, for the use of the vacant ground within the Old Jail premises for School Gardening purposes and Tree planting, and for permission to plant Trees on the Slopes and waste land around the Water Works Reservoirs was unanimously granted.

A Committee consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Elcock and Councillor Skeffington was appointed to arrange details.

Gas Deposits Interest @ 4% on

Ordered that the Gas Works Department do allow Interest at 4 percent. per annum, to all Depositors from the date of the deposit, and that such interest shall in future be paid regularly by allowances off consumers accounts.

Old Town Walls Report of Boro Surveyor on

Report of the Borough Surveyor relating to condition of remnants of old Town Wall, read. No order made.

Weekly Tenants Cultivation of Garden

A Return by the Borough Surveyor of the Corporation Tenants whose Gardens are cultivated and those not cultivated was submitted.

Ordered that a Return be prepared for next meeting showing clearly what Gardens are cultivated, partially cultivated, and not cultivated at all, and also what waste land under the control of the Corporation is available for garden allotments.

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November 1st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:

In the Chair – His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman:- L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. Davis, J. Borrill, C. O'Connor, W. J. Skeffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Minutes
Wages sheets examined and passed.
Wages
Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £799:14:6.
Payments
Public Library 5:10:4

Hay Market Agreement for purchase of seals

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to an Agreement for the purchase for £100 of the Head Rent payable to the Reps. of Patten out of portion of the Hay Market.

James Maginn v Archdeacon Segrave Partition Agreement sealed

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to an Agreement for the partition of a holding of James Maginn at Moneymore, the said James Maginn to remain tenant of one portion for a term of one year from the 1st Nov. 1916 at the yearly rent of £13:16:0 and Archdeacon Segrave of the remainder at the yearly rent of £10.

No Consideration of the remaining business was adjourned to next meeting.

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November 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, J. Byrne, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Dolan, J. J. Callan, C. O'Connor, J. Berrill, & P. Lynch.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages

The minutes of the last meeting were read, and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Auditor's Report postponed

On the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor Byrne it was decided to postpone for one month consideration of the Auditor's Report.

James Gorman Increase in Salary

A report of the Gas Works Committee recommending "an increase at the rate of £6 per annum to James Gorman, Collector of Accounts" was adopted on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Alderman Moore.

Rate Collector's list of Arrears & Lost Rates

The Rate Collector's lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates for half-year ending 30th September were submitted and approved.

Horse Feeding & Straw Tenders for

A Tender of Lawrence Briody for Horse Feeding, a tender of Patrick McCullen for Wheaten Straw, and a tender of Lawrence J. Carpenter for Oaten Straw, being the only tenders received, were accepted.

Public Lighting Committee appointed re ✓

A Committee consisting of the Mayor, with Alderman Moore Councillor Berrill, the Borough Surveyor, and the Gas Works Manager, was appointed to consider and report upon the question of increased Public Lighting.

Conscription & Protest against ✓

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Alderman Elcock moved a resolution protesting against Conscription being imposed upon Ireland, Councillor T. V. McQuillan seconded, and the same was put and carried unanimously.

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"Partition" of Ireland Protest against

A Resolution of the County Council of Kerry protesting against the "Partition" of Ireland, was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Dolan.

Political Prisoners' Amnesty Association ✓

The Mayor, Alderman Elcock and Councillors T. V. McQuillan and Berrill were appointed to represent the Corporation at an All-Ireland Convention to establish a Political Prisoners' Amnesty Association.

Fairs on Streets Protest against holding of

Letter read from Michael Casey, Magdalene Street, protesting against the holding of Fairs on the Streets of that locality.
Ordered that the matter be reported at or to next meeting.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. B. Moore, P. Lynch.
Councillors:- W. McGowan, J. Byrne, J. J. Kelly, T. V. McQuillan, J. Davis, P. Lynch, J. Dolan, J. Berrill, J. J. Callan, D. Branigan, C. O'Connor.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages Payments

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered — Borough Fund £1255-6-9
Public Library 11-13-11.

Fair Green Selling of Cattle & Fish on Streets Town Clerk's Report re ✓

A report of the Town Clerk relating to the establishment of a Fair Green, and the selling of Cattle &c. and Fish upon the Streets was read.

It was unanimously agreed, on the motion of Councillor W. McGowan, seconded by Councillor Kelly, that the selling of Fish in any public place other than the Fish Market, should no longer be permitted, and that after the 1st January this rule should be strictly enforced and prosecutions brought for any infringement of it.

It was further agreed to adjourn consideration of the remainder of the report until the second Wednesday in February.

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Boundaries of Wards of Borough Alteration of

Report of Town Clerk read suggesting that the boundaries of the Wards of the Borough should be altered so as that the whole of St. Mary's Parish within the Borough should form one Ward; the portion north of the River and east of Shop St. Peter St. Magdalene St. and Ballymakenny Road, another Ward; and the remaining portion north of the River and west of Shop St. Peter St. Magdalene St. & Ballymakenny Rds. to form the third Ward.

On the motion of Councillor McEowan seconded by Councillor O'Connor the report was adopted unanimously, and instructions were given for all necessary steps to be taken to carry the suggestions into effect.

Child Welfare Scheme Consideration adjourned

Consideration of a Child Welfare Scheme was adjourned until the end of the Financial Year.

Patrick Weldon Application for increase in Salary

550. An application of Mr. Patrick Weldon, Sanitary Sub Officer & Market & Rent Collector for increase in salary was referred to the Town & Finance Committee.

Horse Feeding Tender

Upon the reading of a letter of Mr. Laurence Briody declining to abide by his tender for Horse Feeding, it was ordered that fresh tenders be invited.

Summer Time Act Continuance of approved

A communication from the Local Government Board requesting the views of the Council upon the working of the Summer Time Act 1916 was read.

Ordered - Alderman Moore dissenting - that the Board be informed the Corporation were in favour of a continuance of the Act.

New Dwellings Potato Market Square Building up of space between New Houses and Mrs. Reid's property

Letter read from Mrs. Anne Reid threatening legal proceedings if the space between the Corporation's new Dwellings Potato Market and her property "which in its present condition is a source of nuisance and annoyance to her tenants" were not built up,

Ordered that the space be built up forthwith.

Public Library Rate Request to increase

Letter read from the Public Library Committee requesting the Corporation to increase the Public Library Rate to 1½d in the £.

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It was pointed out that the Corporation had no statutory power to comply with the request.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Present:

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- O. D. Moore, L. J. Elcock, & S. Jordan.
Councillors:- J. Byrne, A. Reddan, J. Davis.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

It was agreed to further adjourn the consideration of the Auditor's Report.

Gas Works Secretary's salary increased to £200 per annum

Report of Gas Works Committee read, recommending that the salary of the Secretary and Manager be increased by £20 to £200 per annum.

The Report was adopted unanimously on the motion of Councillor Byrne seconded by Alderman Moore.

Public Lighting Lighting of 30 additional Lamps

Read report of Lighting Committee, recommending the lighting of thirty additional lamps.

It was pointed out that this recommendation was contrary to the recommendation of the Committee upon the Striking of Rates.

The report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor Byrne.

Horse Feeding Tender Boro' Surveyor to purchase in open Market

One tender for Horse Feeding was submitted. The prices being considered excessive the Borough Surveyor was directed to purchase in the open market.

Alteration of Boundaries of Wards of Borough Petition to Lord Lieutenant re

A Petition to the Lord Lieutenant for an Order in Council varying the Wards of the Borough having been submitted, it was proposed by Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor Byrne, and resolved:- "That upon the reading of the Town Clerk's report suggesting alteration's in the boundaries of the Wards of the Borough which

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which report has been unanimously adopted by the Council, we do hereby agree to petition the Lord Lieutenant to alter by Order in Council the boundaries of the Wards of the Borough as indicated in said report; And that the petition in the matter, now read, be and is hereby approved.

Sale of Cattle upon Streets
Obstruction at St. Peter's Church

Upon the reading of a letter from the Rev. Chancellor Ledoux relating to an obstruction to the entrance to St. Peter's Church by the exposure of Cattle for sale in front of the Church Gates the Borough Surveyor was directed to bring in a report upon the advisability of providing a Barrier.

Vacant Land Cultivation Society
Representatives to address meeting

Communication read from the Vacant Land Cultivation Society suggesting that representatives of the Society would attend a meeting to explain the advantages to be derived from Allotment Schemes.

Ordered that such meeting be arranged.

Fair Green
Mr. Dolan's field
Hardman's Garden for

Letter read from Councillor Dolan expressing his willingness to waive all conditions in the event of a Sale by him to the Corporation of Field at Hardman's Garden for a Fair Green.

Closing of Cross Lane between Bachelor's Lane & Bessexwell Lane
Corporation bear 1/3 of cost of Gates re

Letter read from Woolsey Jameson & Co. requesting that the Corporation would close the Cross Lane between Bachelor's Lane and Bessexwell Lane by the erection of Gates at each end, so as to prevent nuisances and the smashing of Windows.

It was pointed out that the Finance Committee had already considered the matter and had suggested the Corporation would bear one-third of the cost of such Gates if Messrs Woolsey Jameson & Co. and Messrs Galbraith Ltd. would bear the remaining two-thirds.

Ordered that attention be drawn to this ~~Order~~ offer.

Cardinal Logue
Golden Jubilee of Elevation to Priesthood
Resolution of congratulation

Alderman Moore proposed and Alderman Elcock seconded "That we, the Corporation of Drogheda, representing the citizens of this old Catholic town, heartily rejoice at the Golden Jubilee of his elevation to the Priesthood of His Eminence Cardinal Logue, We heartily tender him our sincere congratulations and wish him many years to continue the wise administration of the Great

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Irish Political Prisoners
Resolution of protest re treatment of

Great Diocese over which God has placed him.

Motion put and carried.

A resolution of the Corporation of Cork appealing to the President of the United States to secure some mitigation of the harsh treatment accorded Irishmen interned in English Prisons who remain untried, unsentenced and classified as ordinary criminals; and to enquire into the serious charges of almost incredible statements concerning the irregularities, cruelties and unfair treatment of such prisoners, was unanimously adopted on the motion of The mayor, seconded by alderman Jordan.

Laurence Stanley
3rd January 1917

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January 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at eleven o'clock a.m.

Present:

In the Chair- His Worship the mayor
Aldermen:- T. McCullough, L.J. Elcock, P.B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Byrne, A. MacAuillan, T.V. MacAuillan, J. Dolan, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor, J. Callan, W.J. Skeffington, J. Davis.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and signed.
Payments Ordered — Borough Fund £580: 5: 11
Public Library 5: 15: 0

Confirmation of Minutes of Gas Works Committee

Confirmation of the minutes of the Gas Works Committee for the past Quarter was proposed by Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Byrne and carried.

Coal Handling Plant
Provision of

Councillor O'Connor further moved and Councillor Skeffington seconded that the Gas Works Manager do proceed forthwith with the provision of a Coal Handling Plant.

motion put and carried.

Confirmation of Water Works Comtee Minutes

Confirmation of the Minutes of the Water Works Committee was proposed by Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor A. MacAuillan and

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and carried.

Confirmation of Law & Finance Com'tee minutes carried with reservation relating to Mayoralty House Scale of Charges

Confirmation of the Law & Finance Committee minutes was proposed by Councillor Skeffington, seconded by Councillor Callan and carried; but with a reservation that the amended Scale of Charges for the mayoralty House would be re-considered.

Auditor's Report. ✓

The Report of the Auditor upon his Audit of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 1916 was partially discussed.

Amended Scale of Charges for Water Supply adopted ✓

Report of Water Works Committee recommending an amended Scale of Charges for Water Supply by meter, to come into operation as from the 1st January was read and unanimously adopted.

Obstruction by Cattle to entrance to St. Peter's Borough Surveyor to provide men on Fair Days to keep entrance clear.

Upon the reading of a Report from the Borough Surveyor from which it appeared that it would cost about £60 to provide a collapsible fence to be used in preventing of obstruction by Cattle to the entrance to St. Peter's Church, Peter Street, it was ordered that upon Fair Days the Borough Surveyor do provide men for keeping the entrance to the Church clear.

Cardinal Logue Letter thanking Council for Resolution

Letter read from Rev. Joseph W. Brady, Adm. Bishop's Palace, Armagh, conveying the hearty thanks of His Eminence Cardinal Logue to the Corporation for their very kind expression of congratulation on the happy occasion of His Eminence's Sacerdotal Golden Jubilee.

L. Stanley

1917. January 8th 23rd

Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Monday the 8th January 1917.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair.

Aldermen:- P. Drew, L. J. Elcock, P. B. Moore.

Councillors:- J. Clarke, M. McGowan, F. Byrne, D. Reddan, T. V. Macquillan, C. O'Connor, W. T. Skeffington, P. Lynch.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Allotment Schemes Committee appointed to deal with ✓

A Circular Letter of the Local Government Board, dated 3rd January, relating to allotments Schemes in Urban Districts for the production of food was read.

The following Committee was appointed to deal with the matter: The Mayor, Aldermen Drew and Elcock, Councillors Lynch and McGowan.

1917 January 23rd

Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Court House at noon on this day.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair.

Aldermen:- P. Drew, S. Jordan, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons, P. B. Moore.

Councillors:- M. McGowan, J. Clarke, P. Lynch, F. Byrne, J. S. Kelly, D. Reddan, S. P. Cullen, J. Davis, J. Dolan, J. Berrill, T. V. MacQuillan, A. J. MacQuillan, W. T. Skeffington, C. O'Connor, D. Branigan, J. J. Callan,

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Food Production Report re

As a matter of pressing importance a Report of the Committee appointed to deal with the question of Food Production was read.

The Committee pointed out the limitations of the powers of Urban Councils, conditions that must be observed which would hamper the success of a scheme, the lack of powers to acquire land

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land compulsorily without which a scheme would be impracticable.

Ordered that the matter be again brought forward, the terms of the report being approved.

Election of Mayor 1917.

Councillor McGowan moved, Councillor Reddan seconding, that the outgoing Mayor Councillor Stanley be re-elected Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1917.

Councillor Lynch proposed, Councillor Callan seconding, the election of Councillor Keffington; and Alderman Jordan proposed and Councillor O'Connor seconded the election of Councillor J. V. MacQuillan.

On a Poll there voted for:

Stanley: Aldermen McBullough. Councillors- Noonan, McGowan, Kelly, Reddan, Cullen, Byrne, Clarke. (8)

Keffington: Aldermen- Elcock, Lyons, Moore. Councillors- Davis, Lynch, Callan, Berrill, Branigan. (8)

MacQuillan: Aldermen- Jordan, Drew. Councillors- Dolan, A. J. MacQuillan, O'Connor. (5)

On a second poll there voted for:

Stanley: Aldermen- Drew, McBullough. Councillors- Noonan, McGowan, Kelly, Reddan, Cullen, Byrne, J. V. MacQuillan, Clarke, A. J. MacQuillan. (11)

Keffington: Aldermen- Jordan, Elcock, Lyons, Moore. Councillors- Davis, Dolan, Lynch, Callan, Berrill, O'Connor, Branigan (11).

Senior Aldermans vote

Councillor Keffington Elected.

The Senior alderman, alderman Lyons, having given his casting vote in favour of Councillor Keffington was declared elected and thereupon made a Declaration of acceptance of Office. The usual Oaths were not made the Town Clerk having stated that it appeared only necessary to make the Declaration. The Chair was then taken by the newly elected Mayor.

W. J. Keffington

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February 7th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- P. Lyons, P. Drew, P. B. Moore.

Councillors:- D. Branigan, J. J. Callan, J. Dolan, J. Davis, F. Byrne, A. J. MacQuillan, J. P. Cullen, D. Reddan, J. S. Kelly, L. Stanley, J. V. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments ordered: Borough Fund £466:3:9.
Public Library 8:18:6.

Quarterly meetings Dates of

Proposed by Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Branigan and Resolved:-

"That the remaining quarterly Meetings of the Year be held at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the first Wednesday in April, the third Wednesday in July and the first Wednesday in October.

Appointment of Committees.

The following Committees were appointed for the year:

Bye laws and Markets Committee:-

The Mayor.

Aldermen:- Elcock.

Councillors:- McGowan, Cullen, Branigan, Berrill, Stanley, Davis, Lynch.

Law and Finance Committee:-

The Mayor.

Aldermen:- Jordan, Lyons.

Councillors:- McGowan, Cullen, Stanley, Dolan, Davis, A. J. MacQuillan.

Gas Works Committee:-

The Mayor.

Aldermen:- Lyons, McBullough, Drew.

Councillors:- Cullen, Byrne, Kelly, Lynch, Stanley.

Water Works Committee:-

The Mayor.

Aldermen

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Aldermen:- Lyons, Jordan, Elcock,
Councillors:- Byrne, McGowan, Reddan, T. V. MacQuillan, Stanley.

Committees 1917 ~~1918~~

Technical Instruction and Public Library Committee:-
The Mayor.
Aldermen:- McCullough, Moore, Elcock.
Councillors:- Stanley, Lynch, T. V. MacQuillan.
Rt. Rev. Mgr. Segrave, Vy. Rev. Chancellor Ledoux, Vy. Rev. D. Flynn, P.P., Rev. T. R. Brunskill, Messrs:- W. J. D. Walker, C.B. M. A. Casey.

Old Age Pensions Committee:-
The Mayor
Aldermen:- Jordan.
Councillors:- Dolan, Lynch, Stanley.
Rt. Rev. Mgr. Segrave, Vy. Rev. Chancellor Ledoux, Vy. Rev. D. Flynn, P.P. Rev. T. R. Brunskill.

A Committee consisting of The Mayor, Aldermen:- Lyons, Elcock, Councillors:- McGowan, Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, Stanley was appointed to frame a reply to the Auditor's Report.

Gas Works

Ordered that the meetings of the Gas Works Committee be held in future in the Court House, fortnightly.

An application of the Workmen for a further increase in wages was referred to the Law and Finance Committee.

Read, report of Committee on Food Production Scheme dealing with the powers of Local Authorities, the efforts made to secure land by agreement and the formation of an Association of Plot Holders.

The report was adopted.

Circular letter of the Local Government Board, dated 31st January relating to the powers of the Local Authorities to raise money for investment in the War Loan, read.

No order made.

Letter read from Joseph Dwyer, drawing attention to the state of his yard, Bull Ring, by the overflow of a well on

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on Pitcher Hill.

The matter was referred to the Borough Surveyor.

Read, letter from Mary Anne Geraghty intimating that her husband had broken his leg owing to the condition of the foot path Duleek Street. No order made.

Letter read from James Collins Shop Street claiming priveldges in the cross lane between Bachelor's and Dessepwell Lanes in the event of such cross lane being closed.

Consideration of the matter was deferred.

The following Resolutions were adopted:-

Resolutions.

Cork County Council- (1). Relating to an amnesty for Irish Prisoners (2). Relating to amendment of the law of compensation for Malicious Injuries.
Cavan Rural District Council- Claiming representation for the Irish Nation at the International Peace Conference.
Drogheda Ancient Order of Hibernians- Calling upon the Government to hand over to the people the Cattle Ranches.

W. J. Skeffington
21 Feb 1917

1917. February 14th

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the fore noon on this day.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- P. B. Moore, L. J. Elcock,
Councillors:- P. Lynch, L. Stanley, J. J. Callan, A. J. MacQuillan, F. Byrne, T. V. MacQuillan, D. Reddan, S. P. Cullen.

The Notice convening the meeting was read, also a letter from the Local Government Board, dated 9th February, explaining their powers and suggesting that Local Authorities should obtain advances from their Bankers in view of prospective capital expenditure and invest the same in the War Loan. Letter to the Bank of Ireland on the subject and the Bank's reply were also read.

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Lynch

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1917 February 14th Committee re Investing £10.000 in War Loan.

Lynch a Committee consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Elcock, Councillor A. J. MacQuillan and the Town Clerk was vested with full power to take all necessary steps and do such things as may be required to invest ~~£9,500~~ £10,000 at £95 % in the War Loan in view of prospective capital expenditure on a Housing Scheme.

W. J. Sheffington
21 Feb 1917

1917. February 21st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair.
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. Drew, P. Lyons, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- L. Stanley, F. Byrne, D. Reddan, J. S. Kelly, J. J. Callan, A. J. MacQuillan, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Dolan, S. P. Cullen, D. Branigan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages.

Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Report of Town Clerk read intimating that owing to the terms imposed by the Bank of Ireland it had not been possible to arrange for an investment in the War Loan;

Resolutions re Food Production Scheme Land Cultivation Committee

Recommending that the Corporation should pass a resolution undertaking the liability for payment of seed supplied through the Department of Agriculture for the purposes of Food Production Scheme, and to pass a further resolution vesting the Land Cultivation Committee, already appointed, with power to add to their numbers, take land on such terms as could be arranged, and do such other things as may be considered desirable for the ~~production~~ promotion of ~~food~~ the Scheme;

Income Tax.

And intimating that he had completed claims against the Inland Revenue for refunds in respect of Income Tax amounting to £123=17=10, and that he had arranged with the Bank of Ireland for deduction of Income Tax at the source.

The

1917 February 21st Report Adopted.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor T. V. McQuillan, seconded by Councillor Callan, and it was unanimously agreed to vest the Land Cultivation Committee with the powers suggested, and to undertake liability to the Department for the purchase of Seed.

Report re Fair Green

The Town Clerk's Report of the 1st December last, and the Report of the medical Superintendent Officer of Health, read at last Sanitary meeting, in relation to the question of a Fair Green were under consideration.

It was agreed to refer the matter back to the Bye Laws & Market's Committee for a further report.

Child Welfare Scheme

The Maternity & Child Welfare Scheme drawn up by the Council acting as Urban Sanitary Authority was submitted for approval.

It was decided to defer consideration of the matter.

Memorial to L.G.B. Lease unto J. Gogarty

Memorial to the Local Government Board praying for sanction to the granting of a Lease for 200 years at £5 per annum of premises on the west side of Shop Street unto John Gogarty, Builder & Contractor, was submitted and approved

Children to be excluded from second house in Picture Theatre.

Letter read from J. O'Mahony, Manager, Picture Theatre, stating he was in accord with the wishes of the Council, that children under the age of 14 years should be excluded from "Second House" performances.

It was decided to afford Mr. O'Mahony an opportunity of complying with the Council's known wishes before taking any definite step in the matter.

Resolution re Galway Harbour

A resolution of the Municipal Council of Dublin advocating the construction of a great Harbour at Galway, to deal with Canadian and American trade through Ireland, was unanimously adopted with the addition of the words- "together with appropriate Railway development- e.g.- connecting the Boyne Waterway with the Great Northern Railway, and extending such Railway from Kells to Mullingar."

W. J. Sheffington
7 March 1917

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1917. March 7th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 7th day of March 1917.

Present.

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, L. J. Elcock,
Councillors:- M. McGowan, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, J. Davis, T. V. MacQuillan, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Dolan, J. J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. — Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £4,591: 0: 6
Public Library 6: 3: 1

County Council Demand. — Report of Town Clerk read submitting the County Demand and intimating that it shewed an increase of £398.
No order made.

Workmen, Increase in Wages. ✓ — Report of Law and Finance Committee read recommending that in response to their application the wages of the workmen should be increased by 2/- per week all round.
The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor McGowan.

Letter re Cinematograph Licenses. — Circular from Under Secretary Dublin Castle read, forwarding for approval model conditions prepared by the Home Office for insertion in Cinematograph Licenses.
The conditions were approved and ordered to be inserted in future licences.

Resolution. Grocers & Vintners Association — A Resolution of the Grocers and Vintners Association protesting against the proposed government restrictions was read and adopted.

Forest Trees. — Letter read from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction intimating that 30,000 Forest Trees for planting around the Reservoirs were being forwarded. No order made.

W. J. Skeffington 21 March '17 Chairman.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 21st March 1917.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. B. Moore, P. Lyons,
Councillors:- S. P. Cullen, J. Clarke, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, D. Reddan, J. S. Kelly, J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Dolan, J. J. Callan, P. Lynch, J. Berrill.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Correspondence re Allotment Scheme ✓ — Correspondence read and agreement executed whereby the Corporation undertake, in connection with their Food Production Scheme, to observe conditions laid down by the Local Government Board, and the Department of Agriculture in the taking of Land both by way of agreement and compulsorily for an Allotment Scheme.

Seed. — The Town Clerk was empowered, having regard to the delay in the forwarding of Seed by the Department of Agriculture, to make such arrangements as he might consider desirable for purchase locally.

Auditors Report. — Submitted and approved draft reply to Auditor's Report.

Sale of Fish in Streets — Mr. Morgan Kirk appeared before the Council on behalf of the Clogherhead Fishermen in relation to the recent Order prohibiting the selling of Fish other than in the Fish Market. He gave an assurance that if pending summonses were withdrawn the Fishermen would not infringe the Order of the Council until the matter had been re-considered.
The undertaking was accepted and an Order given for the withdrawal of the Summonses.

Resolution re Gas Works Yes. — Pursuant to Notice of motion Councillor Davis moved:- "That as from the Quarter ending 25th March instant the Gas Works Secretary shall no longer allow any accounts to remain in arrear beyond one Quarter, and that in all cases where accounts have not been paid before the next Quarter falls due he shall take legal proceedings for recovery."
Councillor A. J. MacQuillan having seconded the motion was put and carried.

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1917. 4th April

Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Wednesday the 4th day of April 1917 at the hour of 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair

Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock.

Councillors:- F. Byrne, J. Dolan, J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor, P. Lynch, J. J. Callan, T. V. MacQuillan.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £444: 19: 3
Public Library £ 8: 3: 9

Taxation of Sol's Costs. Mr Patk. J. Tallan appointed to act on.

On the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor Byrne Mr Patrick Tallan, was appointed to appear on the taxation of Mr J. H. McCann's costs.

Minutes of Committees Approval of.

Copies of the minutes of the Gas Works, Water Works and Law & Finance Committees for the Quarter ending 31st March were submitted and approved.

Sale of Fish. Report referred back to By-Laws Committee

A Report of the Bye-Laws & markets Committee in relation to the sale of Fish was read.

Its adoption was moved by Councillor Lynch and seconded by Councillor Byrne, whereupon Councillor Callan moved and Councillor T. V. McQuillan seconded that the matter be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

On a division there voted ~~for~~

For the Amendment:

Aldermen: L. J. Elcock

Councillors:- T. V. MacQuillan, A. J. MacQuillan, Dolan, Callan, O'Connor (6)

Against the Amendment

Councillors:- Davis, Byrne, Lynch & The Mayor (4)

The Amendment was declared carried.

Count Plunkett's Manifesto Put in Waste Paper Basket

A communication from Count Plunkett requesting the Council to appoint Delegates to an Assembly to be held in the Mansion House, Dublin on the 19th April was read.

Councillor

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Councillor Callan moved and Alderman Elcock seconded that the communication be put in the Waste Paper Basket.

The motion was put and declared carried.

Allotments Scheme Execution of Agreement with Mrs. McCourt

An Agreement with Mrs. Kate McCourt was this day executed for a letting for 5 years at a rent of £ per Irish acre, less rates, of a field on the South side of the Road to Mornington containing 3 acres I.P.M. for the Allotment Scheme.

Field Hardman's Garden

Correspondence with the Local Government Board and the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction vesting the Council with compulsory powers to enter upon a field at Hardman's Garden in the occupation of John Dolan and a field at Cromwell's Mount in the occupation of William P. Cairnes for the purposes of the Allotment Scheme, was read.

Letter read from T. M. Healy K.C. M.P. in reference to the assessment of Income Tax upon the Corporate Estate, and suggesting that joint action should be taken by the various Municipalities concerned with a view to relief being obtained.

The matter was referred to the Town Clerk.

W. J. Skeffington

18 April 1917

1917 18th April

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 18th day of April 1917.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- S. Jordan, L. J. Elcock, P. B. Moore.

Councillors:- S. P. Cullen, M. McGowan, F. Byrne, D. Reddan, T. V. MacQuillan, J. J. Callan, J. Dolan, J. Davis & D. Branigan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Change of Day of Meetings

Councillor Davis moved pursuant to notice, having first however obtained the consent of the Council to amend it, the following motion:-

"That in future the meetings of the Council shall be held on the first

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first Wednesday, of the Sanitary Authority and the Water Works Committee on the third Wednesday, of the Gas Works Committee on the second and fourth Wednesdays, and of the Law & Finance Committee on the last Wednesday of each month; that for all meetings a Summons setting out the business to be transacted shall be sent to members; and that all resolutions to the contrary be rescinded".

Councillor Callan having seconded it the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

W. J. Sheffington

2 May 1917

1917. May 2nd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons.
Councillors:- D. Reddan, J. Davis, L. Stanley, J. J. Callan, C. O'Connor, J. Dolan, J. A. Kelly.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments.

Payments ordered: Borough Fund £760: 2: 2
Public Library 18: 11: 5

Proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Davis and carried unanimously:-

Irish Education.

"That we emphatically demand for Irish Education the full equivalent due to Ireland by the proposed additional grant of about £6,000,000, for English Education.

"That as Irish Education finances have been persistently starved in the past we consider the present a favourable opportunity to demand a substantial improvement in our educational system."

Condolence

On the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by

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by Councillor Kelly a Vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with Councillor McGowan on the death of his mother.

Report on Striking of Rates.

Report of Law and Finance Committee read recommending that a rate of 6/4 - an increase of 1/- over last year's - be struck for the current financial year. The County Demand required an increased rate of 4d and the loss in Estate Revenue due to Income Tax was calculated at £1000. The expenses of the Borough Surveyor's Department were estimated at only £200 over like expenditure for the year ending 31st March 1913 notwithstanding an increase of 9/- per week per man in wages and the great advance in the cost of materials. A saving of £300 was effected in Public Lighting in the past year by reduced lighting but a similar saving was not anticipated in the current year as the price of gas had been increased and a contribution from the Borough Fund towards the expenses of Public Lighting would have to be made. The rate recommended would not provide fully for the matters referred to, the estimate was for 6/8 but was cut down by 4d.

Report Adopted.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Stanley, but on the understanding that the proposal to contribute out of the Borough Fund to the expenses of Public Lighting would receive further consideration.

Report of Gas Works Committee

Increase in price of Gas & Coke

Read, report of Gas Works Committee recommending an increase of 2d per 1000 cubic feet in the price of Gas, to 4/6 per 1000 c.f., and of 5/- per ton to £2 per ton in the price of Coke. There was not a sufficient amount in the past year to meet interest and repayment of loans, the price of coal (including freight &c) had increased by £2000 and of Labour by £400 over pre war prices; considerable repairs were necessary and could not be longer deferred; a new method of charge for public lighting to meet present conditions had been suggested to the Law and Finance Committee.

Report Adopted.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Stanley.

On the motion of Alderman Elcock seconded by Councillor Callan

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Cork Ford Factory

Callan a resolution of the Dublin Industrial Association approving the establishment of the Ford Motor Factory in Cork was unanimously adopted.

Amnesty for Political Prisoners

A Resolution of the Corporation of Dublin in favour of a general amnesty for Irish Political Prisoners was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Kelly.

Notice of Audit.

Communication from E. T. McCarron, Local Government Auditor, read, intimating his intention to commence the audit of the accounts for the past financial year on the 21st may.

Circular of the Local Government Board giving new rates of interest for loans read.

Housing Fund Corporation share.

A communication of the Local Government Board intimating that the Corporation's share of the "Housing Fund" for the past year amounted to £76:4:11 was read.

Fire in James's St.

Letter read from the District Inspector, R. I. C., in relation to a fire which occurred in James Street, and suggesting that the fire alarm telephone was out of order.

The Borough Surveyor having made a contradictory statement no order was made.

Chairman.

W. J. Shaffington
6 June 1917

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June 6th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, J. Kelly, S. O. Cullen, J. J. Callan

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments Ordered - Borough Fund £351: 18: 6
Public Library 6: 1: 10.

Rate. Resolutions.

On the motion of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Stanley, it was resolved:-

"That this Council do hereby make, strike and impose a Borough Rate of thirty eight pence in the pound on the owners, occupiers, or tenants of all hereditaments within the Borough, rateable for the relief of the poor upon the annual value thereof - that is to say, twelve pence in the pound, for the maintenance of the Public Works transferred to the Council by Section 27 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, in order to raise the sum of £293 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of such maintenance for the year ending 31st March 1918; Eight pence in the pound for payment of Income Tax on the Corporate Estate in order to raise the sum of £860 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to discharge the increased Income Tax assessment; Sixteen pence in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878 and Acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £1725 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of the Water Supply for the year ending 31st March 1918; One penny in the pound for expenses under 'The Public Libraries Acts 1855 to 1902', in order to raise the sum of £108 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses to be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said last mentioned Acts for the year ending 31st March 1918; one penny in the pound for expenses under 'The Technical Instruction Act, 1889, and 'The Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act, 1899', in order to raise the sum of £108, being the amount which

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which the Council has estimated will be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said Acts for the year ending 31st March 1918."

"That the Rate Book and all the entries made therein, be, and the same is hereby adopted as the Rate Book by the Council, and that the same be duly signed as such, and it is hereby ordered that the said Rates shall be payable on and after the 6th day of June 1917".

"That the Council do hereby make, strike and impose upon the occupiers of all property, within the Borough, a Poor Rate of Thirty eight pence in the pound upon the annual value of all such property under the Irish Poor Relief Acts, and the Local Government (Ireland) Acts, 1898-1902, in order to raise the sum of £4,095 which has been estimated will meet, for the year ending 31st March, 1918, the Demand of the County Council, and also the expenses of the Council, to be defrayed out of the Poor Rate, under the last mentioned Acts and Acts amending and extending the same, and that the same shall be payable on and after the 6th day of June 1917".

The various Estimates having been submitted and formally approved, the Rate Book and Collector's Warrant were duly executed and sealed.

School Attendance Committee ✓

The existing half of the School Attendance Committee appointed by the Corporation viz: Alderman P. Dore; Councillors A.J. McQuillan, J. Clarke, D. Branigan & J. Kelly, were re-appointed to serve for a period of 3 years from the 1st July proximo.

Councillor Mc Govan Letter of Thanks.

Letter read from Councillor Mc Govan thanking the Members of the Council for their expression of sympathy with him on the death of his mother.

Gas Works Boro' Fund contribution towards

A letter of the Gas Works Secretary explaining the circumstances which made it necessary for the Borough Fund to contribute towards the expenses of Public Lighting was read.

As some of the members did not appear satisfied Mr. Saville, who

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who was present, undertook to furnish full particulars in writing to each member.

Surcharges.

Read communication from the Local Government Board remitting Surcharges made at last audit amounting to £59: 6: 4d.

Parliament & Local Elections Act. 1917.

Circular letter of the Local Government dealing with and forwarding copy of the Parliament and Local Elections Act, 1917 submitted.

Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates - L.G.B. Approval.

Letter of the Local Government Board, dated 4th May, read approving the Rate Collector's lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates for the past year.

Alteration to Boundaries of the Wards of the Borough ✓

Letter from the Clerk of the Council, Dublin Castle, read intimating that the Lord Lieutenant was advised it would be better to postpone until after the War the consideration of the Petition of the Corporation for alteration of the Boundaries of the Wards of the Borough.

Ordered that it be pointed out that the proper time to make the alteration was now when no Elections were being held in order that the alteration might come into effect with the first Elections after the War.

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Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Wednesday the 11th day of July 1917 at the hour of 11 o'clock a.m.

Present.

His Worship the mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- T. McCullough.
Councillors:- L. Stanley, M. McGowan, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Dolan, F. Byrne, C. O'Connor, J. Berrill, J. J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments.
Payments ordered — Borough Fund £384: 7: 0
Public Library. 5: 14: 0

Reports of Committees
Copies of the Minutes of the Law & Finance Committee and Gas Works and Water Works Committees for the Quarter ending 30th June were submitted and approved.

On the motion of Councillor Dolan seconded by Councillor Stanley it was unanimously resolved:-

Alderman Drew.
Condolence.
"That we the members of the Drogheda Corporation hereby tender sincere sympathy to our respected colleague, Alderman Drew, in the loss he has sustained in the death of his sister, Mrs. Maginn, and the other relatives of the deceased in their great bereavement. The good qualities of the lamented lady were well known; she was a faithful and loving wife, a kind and tender hearted mother and generous to the poor by whom she will be deeply mourned."

Report of Car Inspector read intimating that he had found Jeremiah Gorman, James Gorman, Lawrence Owens, Michael Owens, Michael McGeehan and Edward Kirk of Clogherhead, and Thomas Clarke and Christopher Gough of Drogheda plying for hire without Licences.

On the motion of Councillor McGowan seconded by Councillor O'Connor it was decided to take out Summonses in such cases.

Land Cultivation
A Report signed by the mayor and Councillor McGowan setting out, in the absence of regular meetings of the Land Cultivation

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Cultivation Committee which had fallen through for want of a Quorum, various steps taken and directions given by them in connection with the Land Cultivation Scheme.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

Technical Schools Painting
At the request of the Technical Instruction Committee it was agreed to Paint and Distemper Rooms in the Technical School, and to approve of a tender of Messrs Downes Bros. for the work at £12: 19: 0.

List of Tenements for revision
The Annual list of Tenements for revision of valuation was submitted and approved.

Sale of Cattle in Peter Street & Bull Ring.
The Council had under consideration the advice tendered by the Solicitor to the Corporation that so as to abate the obstruction thereby caused they should authorize him to move by way of injunction proceedings to restrain persons from exposing Cattle for sale at the bottom of Peter St and at the Bull Ring.

It was unanimously agreed to postpone consideration of the matter.

Fence at Sundays Gate.
A communication from residents of the locality objecting to a barbed wire fence erected by Mr. John Dolan around a vacant plot of ground at Sunday Gate was read.

The Borough Surveyor advised that no action should be taken as he did not consider the Pailing was in any way an obstruction or dangerous to the public.

Hire of Road Engines.
A Circular letter of the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction relating to the hire of Road Engines of Local Authorities for Threshing purposes was submitted and referred to the Borough Surveyor.

School Attendance Committee.
Communication from the Office of National Education read intimating that the Commissioners had appointed Rev. Chancellor Ledoux, P.D. Vy Rev. D. Flynn, P.P. V.F., Rev. H. Brunskill, M.A., and Messrs Patrick Caffrey and Simon P. Cullen, upon the School Attendance Committee for a period of 3 years from the 1st July instant.

A complaint of John Ward, Greenhills, Drogheda, that the road leading from Greenhills to Newtown required to be cleaned and that it remained unswept, was read

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The Borough Surveyor having stated that the district was as well looked after as any other part of the Borough, no order was made.

Timber.

A circular letter of the Local Government Board in relation to economy in the use of Timber was read.

Read letter of from E.P. McCarron, Local Government Auditor, addressed to the mayor, intimating that he was unable to supply a copy of the taxed Bill of Costs in the matter of the proceedings taken by him for recovery of Surcharges against certain members of the Corporation.
No order made.

W. J. Skeffington
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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Wednesday the 1st day of August 1917 at the hour of eleven o'clock a.m.

Present:

His Worship the mayor in the chair.
Aldermen:- L. Jordan, P.B. Moore.
Councillors:- M. McGowan, J. Davis, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor, J.J. Kelly.

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The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages sheet examined and passed
Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £463-15-11.
Public Library £5-10-10.

Conference of Municipal Authorities

His Worship the mayor and Town Clerk were appointed as Delegates to the Annual Conference of Municipal Authorities to be held in Limerick on the 5th & 6th September.

Resolution re Representation of the People Bill.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor McGowan moved - "That in the opinion of this Corporation the proposal to exclude Ireland from the provisions of the Representation of the People Bill is undemocratic and opposed to

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to the views of the overwhelming majority of the Irish people; in the present unsettled state of the country it is highly dangerous to continue any longer the policy of leaving the Irish people without any constitutional means of expressing their opinions".

Councillor Kelly having seconded the motion was put and carried unanimously.

Alderman Drew. Letter of thanks

Letter read from Alderman Drew thanking the Council for their expression of sympathy on the death of his sister Mrs. McGinn.

W. J. Skeffington
5 Sept/r 1917

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Wednesday the 5th day of September 1917 at the hour of eleven o'clock a.m.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- L. Jordan, L.J. Elcock, P.B. Moore.
Councillors:- L. Stanley, S.A. Cullen, J. Davis, P. Lynch, C. O'Connor, J. Berrill, J.J. Callan.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

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The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered - Borough Fund £2,956-9-1
~~Public Library~~ Public Library 8-1-5.

Councillor Kelly Condolence.

A vote of condolence with Councillor Kelly upon the death of his brother was moved by Councillor Cullen, seconded by Councillor Stanley and carried unanimously.

Auditors Report.

It was unanimously agreed to adjourn for one month, the consideration of the Auditor's Report.

Report re Weighing Government Cattle.

Report of Mayor and Town Clerk read intimating that a meeting of the Bye-Laws & markets Committee having been summoned for the purpose, and which fell through for want of a quorum

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quorum, they had agreed to a proposal by Government representatives for the weighing of 420 head of cattle per week at a fixed charge of fourpence per beast conditional upon facilities for weighing upon the Public Grave at the Hay Market being improved.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor O'Connor.

Condolence Acknowledgment of.

Letter read from Mrs. Callaghan conveying thanks to the Council for their vote of condolence upon the death of her brother, the late Captain Kirwan.

Public Lighting

Communication read from Secretary Gas Works Dept. enquiring whether the Council desired that the lighting of the Public Lamps should be carried out by his Department, and if so, whether the Council would consent to pay a fixed charge for such work.

Ordered that the lighting be carried out by and a fixed charge of £60 per annum be paid to the Gas Works Dept, and that the Committee appointed to inspect the position re. of Public Lamps be asked to make such inspection and bring in a Report.

Greenhills Condition of Roads.

Letters read from Mr. John Ward, complaining of the condition of the roads in Greenhills district, and from Mr. J. McCarthy, drawing attention to the state of the footpath on the north side of Newfoundwell Road.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to attend to these matters.

Allotment Committee.

The Town Clerk reported that it had not been possible to secure a quorum for a meeting of the Allotments Committee; he had issued summonses upon several occasions but not more than 2 members had attended; there were a number of important matters to be dealt with.

Ordered that Summonses be issued for a meeting on Monday the 10th instant at 11.30 o'clock.

W. O. Shaffrington 3 Oct 1917

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October 3rd

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Wednesday the 3rd day of October 1917 at the hour of eleven o'clock a.m.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.

Councillors:- L. Stanley, W. McGowan, D. Reddan, T. Byrne, J. Davis, T. V. MacQuillan, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Bentley, J. Hollan, C. O'Connor

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages Payments.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheets examined and passed.

Payments ordered — Borough Fund £512: 16: 2
Public Library 5: 13: 3

Condolence Acknowledgment of.

Letter read from Councillor Kelly expressing his thanks for the Council's vote of condolence upon the death of his brother.

Minutes of Committees.

Minutes of the Gas Works, Water Works and Law & Finance Committees for the Quarter ended 30th September were confirmed unanimously.

Auditor's Report.

A Committee consisting of The Mayor, Alderman Elcock, Councillors Callan, Stanley, Davis & McGowan, was appointed to draw up a reply to the Auditor's Report.

Allotments Resolution re.

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor McGowan, it was resolved:-

"That we, the Corporation of Drogheda, as the result of the experience gained from the working of the Temporary Allotments Act, and in deference to the wishes of the Plotholders, strongly urge on the Government to pass a permanent Allotments Act for Ireland, on the lines of the Allotments (Scotland) Bill Act, 1892, with provisions extending to Urban Councils and County Councils for the purposes of Allotments the powers conferred on Rural District Councils under the Labourers (Ireland) Acts 1883-1906 for the compulsory acquisition of land for Cottages."

An application of the Workmen for a further increase of 5/- per week in their wages was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

On the motion of Councillor Reddan seconded by Councillor Stanley

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Condolence
Comm. Thos. Ashe.

Stanley a vote of Condolence was passed with the relatives of the late Commadant Thomas Ashe, one of the Rebellion leaders, imprisoned in Mountjoy Jail, who died from the effects of forcible feeding.

Several Engrossments of leases were submitted but no Aldermen being present the same could not be executed.

W. J. Cleffington
7 Nov. 1917

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November 7th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Wednesday the 7th day of November 1917 at the hour of 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:

His Worship the mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- L. Jordan
Councillors:- L. Stanley, L. P. Cullen, J. Davis, C. O'Connor, J. J. Callan
W. McGowan, J. Clarke.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. — Payments ordered — Borough Fund £1037-10-10
Public Library £15-14-6.

Corporation Workmen Increase in Wages. — Report of Gov. & Finance Committee read recommending an all round increase of 2/- per week in the wages of the workmen.

Councillor Callan proposed and Councillor McGowan seconded that the Report be adopted.

Councillor O'Connor moved as an amendment that the consideration of the matter be deferred for one month.

Adopted. ✓ — The amendment not being seconded the motion was put and declared carried.

Cornmens Licences — Report of Bye-laws & Markets Committee read recommending the renewal of licences to 15 Carmen who had made Requisitions for

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for the same, and pointing out that last year's revenue from licences £8-15- was below that of the preceding year, and that if the requisitions received represented all the cars plying for hire the revenue of the current year would be less than half that of the preceding year.

Renewal. — The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor O'Connor seconded by Councillor Callan.

Housing Scheme. L.G.B. refuse Loan. — Report of Town Clerk read intimating that from further enquiries he had made at the Local Government Board he was assured there was no prospect of a loan being sanctioned for a housing scheme; that the Government had in contemplation a "National Housing Scheme" to be carried out after the War and until then no housing schemes would be allowed to be proceeded with.

New Plans to be prepared. — His Worship the Mayor proposed and Councillor O'Connor seconded — "That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare fresh Block Plans of sites taking into account sites which have come into the possession since 1914 or are ~~about~~ shortly about to come into possession, and in preparing them to have regard to the advance in ideas upon housing since 1914, and also to prepare new plans of houses embodying improvements on the plans of 1914, and to take all other necessary steps so as that the Corporation may be in a position to take advantage of the first favourable opportunity to commence a housing scheme."

Cairnes Trust. — "That the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Trustees of the Cairnes Trust with a view to ascertaining to what extent they will be in a position to commence building after the War."

Motion put and declared carried.

Allotment Committee. — Report of Town Clerk read stating that the experience of previous efforts to convening a meeting of the Allotments Committee had been ~~re-executed~~ repeated, a quorum did not attend, and that there were several urgent (and important) matters to be dealt with which had been held up for a long time.

Ordered that another meeting of the Committee be convened.

Read report of Borough Surveyor pointing out that it would cost £50 to make a pathway on the South side of the Newtownwell Road at the Railway Bridge as requested by Mr. James McCarthy.

Ordered

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Ordered that Mr. McCarthy be informed of the nature of the Borough Surveyor's report.

Technical Instruction Committee. Auditor's Report.

Report of Local Government Auditor together with certified copy of the Abstract of Accounts on his audit of the Accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for the year ending 31st March 1917, submitted.

No order made.

Solicitor's Costs. Sealed. /

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to a Requisition to tax the costs of the Solicitor to the Corporation in respect of the half-year ending 31st March 1917.

Leases.

The following Leases were this day executed:-

Philip Dwyer, Bull Ring. /

1. Unto Philip Dwyer of Bull Ring, Drogheda, of premises situate on the west side of the Bull Ring for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £17=10=0, covenants to expend £150 upon repairs and to insure premises for £700.

Jas. Lochrin, Bull Ring. ✓

2. Unto James Lochrin, Bull Ring, Drogheda, premises situate on the west side of the Bull Ring for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £25, covenants to expend £100 upon repairs and to insure premises for £800

Jas. Egan, Bull Ring. ✓

3. Unto James Egan, Bull Ring, Drogheda, premises situate on the west side of Bull Ring, Drogheda, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £22=10/-, covenants to expend £100 upon repairs, and to insure premises for £800.

Jos. Reilly Lawrence St. ✓

4. Unto Joseph M. Reilly of Lawrence Street, Drogheda, premises situate on the south side of Lawrence Street for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £16 covenants to expend £120 upon repairs, and to insure the premises for £800.

Chr. McDermott Shop St. ✓

5. Unto Christopher McDermott, Shop Street, Drogheda, premises situate on the East side of Shop Street, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1917, at the yearly rent of £18, covenant to insure premises for £600

Jos. Kealy, Shop St. ✓

6. Unto Joseph Kealy, Shop Street, Drogheda, premises situate on the east side, Shop St, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £20, covenant to insure premises for £800.

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Mrs. K. McCarthy West St. ✓

7. Unto Mrs. Kate McCarthy, West Street, Drogheda, premises situate on the north side of West Street for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £20, covenant to expend ~~£100~~ £110 upon repairs and to insure premises for £600.

L. J. Walsh, Duleek St. ✓

8. Unto Lawrence J. Walsh, Duleek Street, Drogheda, premises situate on the west side of Duleek Street for a term of 75 years ~~at the~~ from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £1=10/- covenants to expend £250 ~~at~~ on building a 2 storied slated dwelling house and to insure premises for £500.

Geo. Reilly, Trinity St. ✓ ✓

9. Unto George O'Reilly, Trinity Street, Drogheda, premises situate south side, Trinity Street, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £7, covenant to insure premises for £400.

Jno. Dowd Lawrence St. ✓

10. Unto John Dowd of Lawrence Street, Drogheda, House, Offices & Land ~~premises situate on the~~ situate on the east side, Ballymakenny Road, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £4=10/-, covenant to insure for £100.

Mr. Joseph Carr. Condolence.

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Callan a vote of Condolence was passed with Mr. Joseph Carr, Town Clerk's Assistant, upon the death of his Father.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Wednesday the 5th day of December 1917 at the hour of eleven o'clock a.m.

Present:-

In the Chair- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Drew, T. McCullough, P.B. Moore.
Councillors:- J.J. Kelly, L. Stanley, M. McGowan, J. Davis, T. MacQuillan, A.J. MacQuillan, J. Berrill, D. Branigan, Jno. J. Callan.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund £917:10:11
Public Library £5:10:8

Gas and Coke Increase in price.

Upon the reading of a report of the Gas Works Committee and a letter from the Gas Manager it was agreed upon the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Stanley to increase the price of Gas as from the 1st January by 6d. per thousand cubic ft. and of Coke by 3/4 per ton; and to increase salary of James Gorman, Collector, from £81 to £85 per annum.

A Report of the Market Collector relating to exposing for sale of Butter & Eggs in places other than the Market since the issue of the Food Controller's prices was read and referred to the Bye Laws & Markets Committee.

Sloblands. Conveyance.

Read report of Town Clerk relating to the proposed Conveyance from the Board of Trade to the Harbour Commissioners and the Corporation of the reclaimed foreshore at St. James' known as the "Sloblands". The report recommended that the Draft Conveyance - a standard printed form - should be approved as it stood and returned to the Board of Trade in order that the Engrossment might be prepared for execution.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor McGowan

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McGowan seconded by Councillor A.J. MacQuillan

Auditors Report Reply to.

The terms of the reply as drafted by the Committee appointed for this purpose, to the observations contained in the Auditor's Report upon his last audit, were considered and approved unanimously on the motion of Councillor McGowan seconded by Councillor Stanley.

Mrs Mary E Cox. Conveyance.

The Seal of the Corporation was affixed to a Deed of Conveyance in fee simple for a consideration of £5, as prepared by Mr. Patrick Tallan, Solicitor, from Mrs. Mary E. Cox of to the Corporation of a Vault under premises of the Corporation, situate upon the west side of Shop St.

Town Clerk. Increase in Salary.

Read application of Town Clerk for an increase in salary.

His Worship the Mayor proposed Councillor A.J. MacQuillan seconding - that the salary of the Town Clerk be and is hereby increased by £50 per annum.

Motion put and declared carried unanimously.

Louth to return one M. P. Protest against.

The Town Clerk submitted a printed intimation received by him from the Boundary Commission (Ireland) to the effect that they had provisionally determined that certain Parliamentary Counties including the County of Louth should in future return one member of Parliament instead of two, and giving notice that any objection to such provisional determination should be received at the Offices of the Local Govt. Board for England not later than the 25th November ultimo; he also read the copy of his letter in reply thereto which was approved, and on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Alderman Moore, it was unanimously resolved to enter an emphatic protest against the proposal.

David Donnellon, Car Proprietor, ~~appeared~~ appeared before the Council to answer a complaint made against his brother George Donnellon, by Margaret Levins, Bottle Lane, that he had charged her an excess fare.

Having heard Donnellon's explanation the Council agreed to take no further action beyond directing him to refund portion of the fare charged.

John

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John Kenny, Night Watchman, having applied for an Overcoat it was ordered that his request be acceded to.

Condolence Acknowledgment of.

Letter read from Mr. Joseph Carr, conveying his thanks to the Council for the vote of Condolence passed to him upon the death of his Father.

W. J. McElligott
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January 2nd

Minutes of a Meeting of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Wednesday the 2nd day of January 1918 at the hour of 11 o'clock, a.m.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair

Aldermen:- P. Dyer, J. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons, P. B. Moore.

Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, J. Byrne, D. Branigan, S. P. Cullen, J. Davis, J. V. MacQuillan, A. J. MacQuillan, J. J. Callan, J. Bentill, C. O'Connor, P. Lynch

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered — Borough Fund £420: 6: 7
Public Library, £ 8: 9: 4

Minutes of Committees

The Minutes of the Gas Works, Law & Finance and Water Works Committees for Quarter ending December 1917 were submitted, and on the motion of Councillor Cullen, seconded by Councillor Stanley, the same were ~~approved~~ confirmed.

Sec. and Manager Gas Works. Increase in Salary.

Read Report of Gas Works Committee recommending that the salary of the Secretary and Manager should be increased by £30 per annum.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Cullen seconded by Councillor Byrne.

Borough Treasurer.

Application of Borough Treasurer for increase in salary read.

Councillor

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Increase in Salary.

Councillor O'Connor proposed that the Borough Treasurer's salary be increased by £50 per annum, Councillor Stanley having seconded the motion was put and declared carried.

Letter of L. G. B. re Housing Schemes

Letter of the Local Government Board read intimating that they were not aware of any objection to the Corporation formulating now a Housing Scheme to be dealt with after the War; that no standard plans for the erection of Houses had yet been prepared; that they were not yet in ~~a position~~ possession of information as to procedure for promotion of Housing Schemes, the sanctioning of Loans, and the compulsory acquisition of lands; and that the question of participation by Ireland in a grant to be made by the Treasury was engaging the attention of the Government.

No order made.

Cairnes Fund Trustees.

A letter from the Cairnes Fund Trustees was read expressing their willingness to meet a Committee of the Corporation, and discuss the question of a general building scheme after the War.

Agreed that when Committees for the ensuing year are being appointed a special Committee should be appointed to meet the Trustees.

A resolution of the Corporation of Limerick demanding that a sufficient sum of money shall be provided by the Government immediately after the War for the proper Housing of the Working Classes in the Towns and Cities of Ireland was submitted and adopted unanimously.

Alteration of the Boundaries of the Borough.

Letter read from the Clerk of the Council, Dublin Castle, intimating that in deference to the wish of the Corporation to withdraw the Petition for alteration of the Boundaries of the Wards of the Borough no further action would be taken on the Petition.

Local Government Elections Postponed.

Circular letter of the Local Government Board, read drawing attention to the provisions of a Bill recently passed by Parliament postponing for a further period of one year the holding of Local Government Elections which otherwise would be held before the 1st October 1918.

A circular letter of the Local Government Board, transmitting copy of an Order made by them under the provisions of the Local Government

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(Allotments and Land Cultivation) (Ireland) Act 1917, read.

W. J. Skeffington
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January 23rd

Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at noon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- P. Drew, S. Jordan, T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons, E. B. Moore.

Councillors:- J. Clarke, L. Stanley, D. Reddan, J. J. Kelly, T. Byrne, J. P. Cullen, P. Lynch, A. J. MacQuillan, M. McGovern, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor, J. Davis, D. Branigan, J. Dolan, John J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Letting of Linen Hall

"As a matter of pressing importance the Town Clerk brought before the Council correspondence which had passed between Mr. Michael McGovern, his Solicitor, Mr. F. G. McKeever, and himself, in relation to the Linen Hall. The Town Clerk informed the Council that he had been in correspondence with a Gentleman who was prepared to bring an industry to Drogheda if suitable premises could be secured, and that having made an inspection of the Linen Hall he was satisfied such premises would suit his industry.

The Linen Hall was granted by the Corporation in 1770 under a Deed of Trust free of rent or consideration for a specific purpose ~~and~~ was no longer being used for such purpose.

The conditions of the Trust Deed were not being observed, and he recommended that in the event of Mr. McGovern, the surviving Trustee, declining to give up possession, steps should be taken to have the premises handed up to the Corporation.

Committee Appointed.

A Committee, consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Lyons, and Councillors Davis, ~~McGovern~~ McGowan, and Lynch, was appointed to deal with the matter."

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Election of Mayor.

The election of Mayor for the ensuing year was next proceeded with. Councillor Stanley proposed and Councillor ~~Stanley~~ Callan seconded that Councillor T. V. MacQuillan be elected Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1919.

Councillor Lynch proposed the re-election of Councillor Skeffington. Alderman Lyons seconded.

On a poll being taken there voted for:

MacQuillan	Skeffington
Aldermen:- Jordan, Drew, Elcock.	Aldermen:- Moore, McCullough, Lyons.
Councillors:- Cullen, McGowan, A.J. MacQuillan, Stanley, Callan, Dolan, Davis (10)	Councillors:- Reddan, Kelly, Lynch, Byrne, Clarke, Berrill, O'Connor, Branigan. (11)

Councillor Skeffington re-elected.

The Chairman accordingly declared himself re-elected Mayor for the ensuing year and thereupon made a Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Conveyance from Board of Trade to the Corporation and the Harbour Commissioners

The Seal of the Corporation was affixed to a Conveyance in triplicate from the Board of Trade to the Corporation and the Harbour Commissioners jointly of reclaimed foreshore situate at St. James's for a consideration of £70 payable by the Harbour Commissioners.

It was explained that the reclaimed foreshore in question and unreclaimed foreshore lying to the east of same had been the subject of negotiation with Messrs W. J. Robinson & Son who proposed to construct and carry on a Shipbuilding Yard with the necessary Dock accommodation &c., and that subject to all necessary consent and approval being obtained the Mayor, on behalf of the Corporation, and Mr. W. J. D. Walker C.E. on behalf of the Harbour Board, had agreed to let the reclaimed foreshore at a rent of £50 per annum with an option to purchase at £1600, and the unreclaimed land at a rent of 1/- ~~per~~ with an option to purchase, the terms of such purchase to be agreed upon before work was commenced thereon which should be within a period of 3 years.

The Council expressed satisfaction with the steps taken by the Mayor and Mr. Walker, and upon the motion of Councillor O'Connor seconded by Councillor Branigan a Committee consisting of the Mayor Alderman Lyons and Councillors McGowan, Davis & Stanley was appointed to conclude on behalf of the Corporation the negotiations for the letting of the land before mentioned for a Shipbuilding Yard, and also to arrange the terms of letting or sale of a strip of land belonging to

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to the Corporation along the Mornington Road forming the southern boundary of the reclaimed and unreclaimed foreshore referred to.

Meeting Food Supply of the Country.

The Mayor and Councillor T. V. MacQuillan were selected as Delegates to represent the Corporation at an all Ireland meeting to be held in the Mansion House, Dublin, on Monday the 28th January instant, to consider the question of the Food Supply of the Country.

W. J. Cleffington 6 Feb 1918

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 6th day of February 1918.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- L. Jordan, P. Drew, P. B. Moore, P. Lyons, L. J. Elcock
Councillors:- D. Reddan, S. P. Cullen, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, P. Lynch, F. Byrne, J. J. Kelly, L. Stanley, J. Clarke, D. Branigan, J. J. Ballan, C. O'Connor, J. Berrill, J. Dolan, W. M. Sowan.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund £408 : 18 : 3
Public Library £15 : 14 : 3.

Quarterly Meetings. On the motion of Councillor T. V. MacQuillan seconded by Councillor Cullen it was resolved:-

"That the remaining Quarterly Meetings of the year be held at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on the first Wednesday in April, the third Wednesday in July, and the first Wednesday in October."

Election of Committees. The following Committees were appointed for the year ending 23rd January 1919:

By-Laws & Markets Committee.
The Mayor
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock
Councillors:- W. M. Sowan, S. P. Cullen, D. Branigan, J. Berrill, L. Stanley, P. Lynch, J. Davis.

Law & Finance Committee.
The Mayor
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, L. Jordan.
Councillors:- M. M. Sowan, S. P. Cullen, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Dolan, J. Davis, L. Stanley.

Gas Works Committee:
The Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, J. McCullough, P. Drew.
Councillors:- S. P. Cullen, C. O'Connor, J. J. Kelly, P. Lynch, L. Stanley.

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Water Works Committee.
The Mayor
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, L. Jordan, L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. Byrne, M. McGowan, D. Reddan, J. V. MacQuillan, L. Stanley.

Technical Instruction & Public Library Committee:
The Mayor
Aldermen:- J. McCullough, P. B. Moore, L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- L. Stanley, P. Lynch, J. V. MacQuillan
Rt. Rev. Mgr. P. Segrave, V.F. Rev. D. Flynn P.P., Rev. Chancellor L.P. J. Ledoux, Rev. T. R. Brunskill.
Messrs:- W. J. D. Tucker, C.B., M. A. Casey.

Housing Committee:
The Mayor
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons, L. Jordan.
Councillors:- J. Davis, J. V. MacQuillan, M. McGowan, S. P. Cullen.

Allotments Committee.
The Mayor
Councillors:- M. McGowan, D. Reddan, L. Stanley, P. Lynch.

Leases.

The following Leases were this day executed:-

Geo. Greene Yellowbatter. ✓ 1. Unto George Greene of Pages Mill, Yellowbatter, Miller, of plot of ground containing 2. 2. 8 (Statute) more or less with the buildings thereon, situate at Yellowbatter for a term of 31 years from the 29th September, 1917, at the yearly rent of £12. Covenant to insure the premises for £800.

A. Davis & Co. West St. ✓ 2. Unto A. Davis & Co. Ltd. of West Street, Drogheda, of plot of ground with the buildings thereon, situate on the north side of Dyer St. for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £15 Covenant to insure the premises for the sum of £500.

Philip Bell. West St. ✓ 3. Unto Philip Bell of John's Gate, Drogheda, Cattle Dealer, of House and premises south side of West Street for a term of 75 years from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £5 covenants to expend £500 upon erection of a new Gable and a new front wall and to put the premises into repair and to insure the premises for the sum of £800.

L. Stanley. West St. ✓ 4. Unto Laurence Stanley of West Street, Drogheda, Merchant, of House, Shop, and premises north side of West Street, for a term of 31

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31 years from the 29th September 1917 at the yearly rent of £10 covenants to expend the sum of £200 upon improvements and to insure the premises for the sum of £800.

Peter Sarsfield. Hardmans Gar. ✓ 5. Unto Peter Sarsfield of Hardman's Garden, Dairyman, of plot of ground ~~west~~ side of Hardman's Gardens for a term of 31 years at the yearly rent of £7: 12: 6 covenants to insure buildings in the sum of £300.

An application of the Rate Collector for an increase in poundage fees and of the Sergeant-at-Mace for an increase in salary were referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Circular letter of the Local Government Board enclosing copy of the Education (Provision of meals) (Ireland) Act 1917. read. Noted & made.

Lights (Ireland) Order. Letter from the District Inspector, R.I.C. enclosing copy of the Lights (Ireland) Order, 17th January, 1918, read.

Ordered that particulars as to the position of the Corporation in relation to such Order be asked for.

Communication from Mary Jane Levins, Bottle Lane, read intimating that David Donnellon had not refunded excess car fare charged her.

Ordered that Donnellon be informed his License will be revoked if refund be not made forthwith.

W. J. Shaffrey
6 March 1918

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday the 6th day of March 1918.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair

Aldermen:- T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. Dyer, P. B. Moore.

Councillors:- J. P. Cullen, W. McGowan, J. V. MacQuillan, A. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor, J. J. Ballan, P. Lynch, J. S. Kelly, L. Stanley, J. Dolan

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. — Payments ordered — Borough Fund £3427.10.10
Public Library £ 6. 17.10

Corporation Workmen. — An application of the Workmen for an increase of 10/- per week in their wages was read.

Increase in Wages. — On the motion of Councillor McGowan seconded by Councillor Kelly it was unanimously agreed to grant an all round increase of 4/- per week.

County Council Demand. — The County Demand in respect of the ensuing financial year showing an increase of £686 as compared with preceding Demand was submitted. No order made.

Allotments — Letter read from the Local Government Board relating to the application of the Corporation for the exercise of compulsory powers for the acquisition of additional land for Allotments.

The Town Clerk explained that he had sent a copy of the communication to the Secretary of the Allotholders' Association and was awaited a reply thereto. No order made.

Letting of Linen Hall. — "Report of Committee appointed to deal with the acquisition and letting of the Linen Hall for industrial purposes read. The report stated that the surviving Trustee, Mr. Michael McGovern, had agreed to give up possession of the premises and that a proposal had been received for a lease for a term of 99 years at the yearly rent of £35 with covenants for the immediate

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installation of Machinery to the value of £15,000, and alterations to the extent of £500, the proposed lease, in order to allow of extensions after the War, to include ground on the South side to a depth of 25ft. the ground on the west between the existing building and Mr. Thornhill's garden and ground on the north side to a depth of 20 feet leaving 32 feet of a roadway into Patrickswell Lane.

The report was adopted unanimously."

W. J. Skeffington
3 April 1918

April 3rd

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock on this day.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair

Aldermen:- S. Jordan, T. McCullough.

Councillors:- J. J. Kelly, J. Davis, J. V. MacQuillan, J. Derrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments — Payments ordered: Borough Fund £608:15:1.
Public Library 6:14:6.

Minutes of Committees — The Minutes of the Gas Works, Law and Finance and Water Works Committees for the past quarter were confirmed unanimously but on the understanding that Mr. R. Webster would be granted an interview and the terms of the proposed Lease to the Drogheda Oatmeal Milling Co. re-considered by the Law and Finance Committee.

Memorials to L. G. B. re Leases 1. Mary J. Graham Chord Road 2. Cahill & Co. Linen Hall — Memorials to the Local Government Board praying for sanction to the granting of Leases to (1) Mrs. Mary J. Graham of premises Chord Road for a term of fifty years at the yearly rent of £15 and (2.) to Messrs. Cahill & Co. Ltd. of Linen Hall premises and vacant ground adjoining for a term of ninety nine years at the yearly rent of £35 were this day executed.

A Memorial relating to a proposed Conveyance to the Harbour Commissioners and Corporation jointly of premises at St. James was not

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Allotments Acquisition of Fields ✓

not executed.

Communications from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction submitted, vesting in the Corporation for the purposes of their Allotments Scheme compulsory powers for the acquisition of a field North Road in the occupation of Patrick Bellew and a field in Hinchey's Lane in the occupation of Peter Hinchey.

Communications from the Local Government Board relating to Coal Consumption in Ireland and Retail Prices of House Coal submitted.

No orders made.

W. J. Heffernan
1 May 1918

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May 1st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:

His Worship the mayor in the Chair

Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock.

Councillors:- T. P. Cullen, J. Davis, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Callan & M. Kelly.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered — Borough Fund £ 839: 7: 8
Public Library £ 7: 12: 2

School Attendance Officers Salary Increased ✓

Report of School Attendance Committee read recommending that the School Attendance Officer's salary be increased from £35 to £40 per annum. The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Callan.

Conveyance of Linen Hall executed. ✓

A Deed of Conveyance by Michael McGovern, the surviving Trustee, of the Linen Hall premises, which Deed contains an Indemnity by the Corporation, was this day executed.

Sale of land to Mgr. Segrave L.G.B. sanction ✓

Letter read from the Local Government Board agreeing to the proposed sale by the Corporation to Archdeacon Segrave of Land at Marsh more to be used solely for the purposes of a Cemetery.

Notice to Quit by Bridget Tiernan in connection with the Manure Depot at Crushrod Lane submitted. No orders made.

Certificate of the Local Government Board under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts setting out the contributions from the Housing Fund to which Local Authorities were entitled in respect of the financial year ending 31st March last submitted.

No orders made.

W. J. Heffernan
5 June 1918.

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June 5th.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P.B. Moore, P. Lyon.
Councillors:- J.J. Kelly, D. Reddan, J. Davis, C. O'Connor, J.J. Callan, L. Stanley, J. Dolan, J.P. Cullen

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund £829:13:11
Public Library £12:14:10

Striking of Rate. Report upon.

Report of Law & Finance Committee read recommending the striking of a total rate of 7/4 in the £. for the current fiscal year an increase of 1/ over that of last year, the increase was necessitated by the following circumstances:-

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Increase in County Demand	700
" " Income Tax assessment (estimated)	200
" " Salaries	150
" " Wages	500
" " Water Works Wages	200
Provision for Law Costs (3 years)	150 £1,900

The rate of 1/ would yield approximately £1200, but there was an estimated surplus of £400 on last year's rates, which when taken into account, would leave a deficit of £300. No provision had been made for further increases in wages or in materials, or for the re-coating of Streets and Roads although demonstrably they are being more or less starved at present. The increase in the County Demand was mainly due to greater expenditure by Lunatic Asylums, Reformatory and Industrial Schools and Unions. There was an increase of £1520 in the Drogheda Union Estimate; and compared with 16 years ago when there were 118 patients from Louth there were now 348 patients from County Louth in Lunatic Asylums.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Reddan.

Proposed

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Rate Resolutions.

Proposed by Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Kelly and resolved:-

"That this Council hereby make, strike and impose a Borough Rate of forty five pence in the pound on the owners, occupiers, or tenants of all hereditaments within the Borough rateable for the relief of the poor upon the annual value thereof - that is to say, thirteen pence in the pound for the maintenance of the Public Works transferred to the Council by section 27 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, in order to raise the sum of £4402 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of such maintenance for the year ending 31st March, 1919; Twelve pence in the pound for the payment of Income Tax on the Corporate Estate in order to raise the sum of £1294 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to discharge the increased Income Tax assessment; Eighteen pence in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 and Acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £9442 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of the Water Supply for the year ending 31st March 1919; one penny in the pound for the £ expenses under 'The Public Libraries Acts 1855 to 1902', in order to raise the sum of £108 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses to be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said last mentioned Acts for the year ending 31st March 1919; one penny in the pound for expenses under 'The Technical Instruction Act, 1889' and 'The Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act, 1899', in order to raise the sum of £108 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said Acts for the year ending 31st March, 1919".

"That the Rate Book and all the entries made therein be, and the same is hereby adopted as the Rate Book by the Council, and that the same be duly signed as such, and it is hereby ordered that the said rates shall be payable on, and after the 5th day of June, ~~1919~~ 1918."

"That the Council do hereby make, strike and impose upon the occupiers of all property within the Borough, a Poor Rate of forty three pence in the pound upon the annual value of

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of all such property under the Irish Poor Relief Acts, and the Local Government (Ireland) Acts 1898-1902, in order to raise the sum of £4,638 which has been estimated will meet, for the year ending 31st March 1919, the Demand of the County Council, and also the expenses of the Council, to be defrayed out of the Poor Rate, under the last mentioned Acts and Acts amending and extending the same, and that the same shall be payable on and after the 5th day of June, 1918"

Motion put and declared carried, and the Rate Book was thereupon duly attested and sealed, and the Estimates formally approved.

Prices of Coal.

A report of the Law & Finance Committee in relation to the Retail Prices of Coal was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

A report of the Car Inspector on unlicensed Cars plying for hire was referred to the By-Laws & Markets Committee.

Lease to Messrs Cahill & Co executed.

An Agreement with Messrs Cahill & Co. of Lower Ormond Quay, Dublin, for the granting to them of a Lease of the Linen Hall premises for a term of 99 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £35 with covenants to expend £500 upon alterations and repairs and to instal Machinery to the extent of £5,000, was this day executed.

State of Marsh Road.

Read a letter from the Drogheda Chemical Manure Co. Ltd. drawing attention to the state of the Marsh Road, and requesting that instructions be given to have it put in order as they found it very difficult to get their goods carted owing to the state of the road.

Ordered that the Borough Surveyor do attend to the matter.

Coal consumption in Ireland.

Circular Letter from the Director of Cross-Channel Transportation on the subject of Coal consumption in Ireland read.

The Town Clerk was directed to point out in reply that if the Government adopted the obvious course of providing facilities for developing Irish Coal Mines the object sought

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sought to be ~~attained~~ obtained — a reduction in the demand upon shipping for transport of Coal — would be attained and economy effected.

W. J. Kerrigan
17 July 1918

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July 17th

Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, P. Dyer,
Councillors:- J.J. Kelly, D. Reddan, J. Davis, A. J. MacAuillan, J. Berrill, J. Callan, W. McGowan, J.P. Cullen.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments Ordered — Borough Fund £496:9:11
— Public Library £6:19:7

Attention was drawn by Councillor Cullen to an A/c. of Dr. Murray for £6:6:0 for motoring a patient to Dublin.

Ordered that the Executive Sanitary Officer do take such steps as are necessary to obtain the sanction of the Local Government Board to the payment of the A/c. and other accounts in connection therewith.

The Town Clerk explained that through an error on his part the Council had approved an increase of £5 per annum in the salary of the School Attendance Officer whereas it was the intention of the School Attendance Committee that the salary should be increased by £7 per annum.

Agreed unanimously that the salary be increased by £7 per annum.

On the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor Kelly Mr. J.J. Burke was appointed to act as Borough Surveyor during the enforced absence of Mr. Delahunty.

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Minutes of Committees

The Minutes of the Gas Works, Law & Finance and Waterworks Committees for the quarter ending 30th June were approved on the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Kelly.

Hair Dressers Early Closing Order.

It being intimated that the Hair Dressers desired an Early Closing Order the Town Clerk was directed to take such steps as may be necessary to give effect to their request.

Technical School Reduction of Rent.

Read an application of the Technical Instruction Committee for a reduction in the rent of the Technical School.

Agreed unanimously to reduce their rent from £33 6 £5/ per ann.

Municipal Authorities Association

The Mayor and the Town Clerk were appointed Delegates to the next Annual Conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities to be held in Dublin in September.

Revision and Alteration of Polling Districts

Correspondence with the County Secretary in relation to the scheme of the County Council of Louth for revision and alteration of the Polling Districts of the County was submitted.

The Corporation approved of the inclusion in such scheme of alteration of the Wards of the Borough as indicated in a report of the Town Clerk on the subject provided such alteration would not entail any appreciable legal expenditure.

Correspondence with the Coal Controller for Ireland in relation to the proposed reduction in consumption of Coal and the development of the Irish Coal Mines read. No order made.

Memorials to L.G.B. re Sales to P.J. Caffrey and Mgt. Segrave.

Two Memorials to the Local Government Board praying for sanction to Sales to P. J. Caffrey of premises Mary Street for the sum of £250 and to Monsignor Segrave of premises West Street for the sum of £400, were this day executed.

Correspondence with the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust on the subject of the provision and equipment of Play Centres was submitted.

No order made.

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Letter read from John Ward, Greenhills, complaining of the condition of the road in that locality.

The matter was referred to the Borough Surveyor.

Circular letter dated 29th May from the Ministry of Reconstruction in regard to Building Materials read.

No order made.

Lease to Mrs Mary J Graham.

Terms of Leases.

Letter read from the Local Government Board in regard to the proposed Lease to Mrs. Mary J. Graham, premises, Chord Road.

The Town Clerk submitted, and the same was approved, a draft letter to the Board dealing generally with the terms for which Leases may be granted by the Corporation.

W. J. Okeeffington
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August 7th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- P. Drew, S. Jordan, P.B. Moore.
Councillors:- L. Stanley, J. Clarke, J.J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. — Wages sheet examined and signed.

Payments. — Payments ordered — Borough Fund. £693: 6: 7
Public Library. £ 6: 9: 8

Increase in price of gas. ✓ L.G.B. sanction to be asked.

A Report of the Gas Works Committee containing a recommendation that the Local Government Board should be asked for sanction to an increase in the price of Gas under the Statutory Undertakings (Temporary increase of Charges) Bill from 5/6 to 6/6 per thousand cubic feet was adopted on the motion of Alderman Drew seconded by Councillor Stanley.

Mr. P.L. McKeon. Purchase of holding at Milltown

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Alderman Moore an offer of Mr. P.L. McKeon to purchase for the sum of £500 the Corporation's interest in his holding at Milltown containing acres 22: 3: 0 or thereabouts was unanimously accepted such offer having been approved by the Law & Finance Committee.

Increase in Rate Collectors Poundage. L.G.B. sanction. ✓

Letter read from the Local Government Board approving of the increase in the poundage of the Rate Collectors from 5d. to 5½d. subject to the condition in their letter of the 29th August 1913.

Winter Coal Supply. Committee Appointed.

A Committee consisting of the Mayor, Aldermen Jordan Drew & Moore and Councillors Callan and Stanley was appointed to discuss with the local Coal Merchants the question of a Winter Coal supply for the Working Classes.

W. J. Alleffington
4 Sept 1918

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September 4th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, L.J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J.S. Kelly, D. Reddan, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, J. Berrill, J.J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages sheet examined and signed.

Payments. — Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £3272: 19: 7
Public Library £ 9: 13: 6

Winter coal Supply Committee Report.

Report of Committee appointed to deal with the question of a winter Coal supply read. The report stated that an arrangement had been entered into with the local Coal Merchants under which 10% of future cargoes of coal would be delivered at the Gas Works and there kept in reserve for the working classes in case of a winter shortage.

The Report was adopted.

Consent for registration of Trade Mark.

Letter read from Luke J. Healy requesting the consent of the Municipal Council to the registration by him of a Trade Mark copy of which was forwarded for inspection.

On the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Kelly consent was granted.

Memorials to L.G.B. executed ✓

Two Memorials to the Local Government Board praying for consent to Sales to P.L. McKeon of an Agricultural holding at Kilelattery for the sum of £500, and to John Jameson & Sons Ltd. of plot of ground at the rere of Mrs. Malone's premises south side West Street for the sum of £50 were this day executed.

Circular letter of the Local Government Board read forwarding copy of the Parliament and Local Elections Act 1918.

Conveyance

A Draft Deed of Conveyance by Thomas Murray & others to the Corporation of premises Wellington Quay, and for which the Corporation pay an annual rent of £60, for a consideration of £1000 was submitted

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submitted and approved on the motion of Alderman Elcock seconded by Councillor Stanley.

An application of the Workmen for an increase in wages was referred to the ~~Law~~ Finance Committee.

Inland Transport.

Councillors Stanley and Callan were deputed to represent and give evidence on behalf of the Corporation before the sub-Committee on Inland Transport.

W. J. McGuffin
2 Oct 1918

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October 2nd

Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the mayor in the chair
Aldermen:- P. Dren, L. J. Elcock, P.B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. Kelly, C. O'Connor, L. Stanley, J. Davis, Z. MacQuillan, P. Lynch, J. Callan, J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages sheet examined and signed.

Payments.

Payments ordered - Borough Fund. £.86-7-6
Public Library £. 6-7-3.

Minutes of Committees

The Minutes of the Gas Works, Works & Finance and Water Works Committees for the past Quarter were confirmed unanimously.

Salary of Manager and Sec. Gas Works increased

Report of Gas Works Committee read "recommending the Corporation to increase the salary of the Manager & Secretary of the Gas Department by £25 per annum to retain his services."

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Lynch.

Notice of Audit

Communication read from E. P. McCarron, L.G. Auditor, intimating his intention to commence the Audit of the Accounts on the 11th September.

Letter read from A. Cussen requesting the Corporation to improve the conditions of the Roadway known as Newtown Lane.

Ordered that Mr. Cussen be informed the Corporation have not undertaken the maintenance of such Roadways.

Communication from L. G. B. re Leases.

Letter from the Local Government Board dated 21st September in reply to the Town Clerk's letter of the 22nd July, read indicating that the Board's approval was not necessary in the granting of Leases for a term not exceeding 75 years, and in the case of Land not used as a garden, yard, curtilage, or as convenience or accommodation for a dwelling, for a term not exceeding 31 years.

Ordered

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Ordered that the Law & Finance Committee do take into consideration the question of extending the term of Leases usually granted by the Corporation.

Winter Coal Supply.

The Town Clerk intimated that only one firm of Coal Merchants had abided by the Agreement entered into for conserving a Winter Coal supply for the Working Classes.

Mr. Saville who was present was instructed to secure a supply by other means if it were found advisable to do so.

W. G. Skeffington
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1918 November 6th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:

His Worship the mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. S. Kelly, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, D. Reddan, J. Davis, J. Berrill, J. J. Callan, D. Branigan

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages.

Wages Sheet examined and signed

Payments.

Payments ordered – Borough Fund £747:10:10
Public Library 9:13:6

An application of Mr. P. Weldon, Market & Rent Collector, Sanitary Sub Officer &c. for an increase in salary was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Conveyance McCann & Hill. ✓

A Conveyance to McCann & Hill Ltd. of premises situate upon the north side of Bessexwell Lane at the corner of that Street for a consideration of £62:10 was this day executed.

Lease. L. Stanley. ✓

A proposal of Councillor Lawrence Stanley to surrender the existing Lease of his premises, West Street, and take a new Lease of the same for 75 years at a rent of £15 and to expend £350 upon improvements was accepted on the motion of Councillor Byrne seconded by Councillor Kelly.

It was intimated that the Law & Finance Committee had approved of the proposal

A communication from the National Union of Municipal Officers on the subject of increases of salaries was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Cairnes Trust Fund. ✓

Letter read from George H. Daly on behalf of the Cairnes Trust Fund asking for particulars of any vacant sites the Corporation have to offer in view of the possibility of building operations being resumed.

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The Borough Surveyor was instructed to comply with the request.

Ordered that a meeting of the Gas Works Committee be convened for 11 o'clock on Friday following to take into consideration the question of provision of a winter supply of Coal for the poorer classes.

U. I. L. Convention

The Mayor, Alderman Elcock and Councillors Kelly & Callan were appointed Delegates to the United Irish League Convention.

The Mayor intimated that he had consulted the M. S. O. H. as to the advisability of closing Schools &c. in view of the Epidemic of Influenza, and that Dr. Hamill did not consider such a course necessary.

Action of Mayor in attending Lord French's dinner disapproved.

Councillor Callan proposed and Alderman Elcock seconded — That the Council disapprove the action of His Worship the Mayor in attending in his capacity as such at a public Dinner given by the High Sheriff of Dublin to the Lord Lieutenant, Lord French, because of the latter's avowed intention, if permitted to do so, to enforce Conscription in Ireland in opposition to the declared views of the overwhelming majority of its inhabitants.

The Mayor explained that he had attended the Dinner in a private capacity as a personal friend of the High Sheriff of Dublin.

Condolence Councillor Cullen

On the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Kelly a vote of Condolence was passed with Councillor Cullen on the death of his brother.

W. J. Shearington
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December 4th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- P. Drew, O. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. S. Kelly, D. Reddan, J. P. Cullen, J. V. MacQuillan, J. Callan, D. Branigan, L. Stanley, F. Byrne.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund £2,070: 0: 1
Public Library £ 8: 6: 4

Condolence Acknowledgment

Letter read from Councillor Cullen thanking the Council for vote of Condolence passed with him on the death of his brother.

An application of Mr P. P. Keeley, Borough Treasurer, for increase in salary was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Price of Gas.

Communication from the Local Government Board dated 19th November 1918 as follows:-

"Sir — With reference to previous correspondence, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to inform the Corporation of Drogheda that the Board will make an Order in pursuance of the Statutory Undertakings (Temporary Increase of Charges) Act, 1918, substituting in Section 11 of the Drogheda (Corporation) Gas Act, 1898, six shillings for five shillings and six pence as the maximum charge per 1,000 cubic feet for Gas supplied by the Corporation".

It was unanimously decided to fix the price of Gas at 6/- instead of 6/3 per 1000 cubic ft.

A letter from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction drawing attention to the selling of Cattle on the Streets was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Owing to the General Election taking place on Saturday the 14th December it was decided to change the Market Day to Friday the 13th

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L.G.B. sanction to sales.

Letter read from the Local Government Board sanctioning proposed sales to:-

1. Archdeacon Segrave, premises north side of West Street lately in the occupation of Mrs. Kate McCarthy.
2. Patrick Caffrey, of 7 Cottages, north side Mary St.
3. John Jameson & Sons Ltd, plot of ground, at rere of Mrs. Malone's premises, West Street

And requiring to be furnished with a report as to the value of the Corporation's interest in Mr P. L. McKeon's holding.

No order made.

Extra Public Lamps during December.

Letter read from Gas Works Department suggesting the lighting of 50 extra public lamps during month of December.

It was agreed to comply with the request.

Michl J Elcock

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

~~Aldmn~~ Present:-

Alderman M. J. Elcock in the Chair
Aldermen:- T. McCullough, C. B. Moore, P. Lyons
Councillors:- D. Reddan, T. Byrne, J. Davis, J. J. Callan, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor, L. Stanley.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages.

Wages Sheet examined and signed

Payments.

Payments ordered - Borough Fund £788: 4: 11
Public Library £ 10: 14: 3

Minutes of Committees.

The Minutes of the Gas Works and Water Works Committees ~~were~~ for the past Quarter were approved on the motion of Councillor O'Connor seconded by Councillor Callan.

Leases to Hardman's Garden tenants

Councillor Berrill moved and Alderman Moore seconded that the Minute of the Law & Finance Committee of the 30th September be not approved and that the Hardman's Garden tenants be granted repairing Leases for 31 years. On a division there voted:-

For the motion:-	Against
Aldermen:- McCullough, Moore	Aldermen:- Lyons, Elcock.
Councillors:- Reddan, Byrne, ~~Moore~~ Berrill (5)	Councillors:- Davis, Stanley, Callan O'Connor (6)

Motion lost.

The motion was accordingly declared lost

Alderman Moore moved Councillor Berrill seconding that the portion of the Minute of the Law & Finance Committee of the 21st October recommending that "Garvey the Sergeant-at-Mace be requested to leave the "Watch House" premises be not approved.

On a Division there voted:-

For the motion	Against:-
Alderman Moore	Aldermen:- Lyons, McCullough
Councillors:- Reddan, Berrill (3)	Councillors:- Davis, Byrne, Stanley Callan, O'Connor (7)

The motion was accordingly declared lost.

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Exception being taken by Councillor O'Connor to a paragraph in the Minutes of the Law & Finance Committee of the 21st October in connection with the fixing of a Fair Rent on James McGinn's holding at Marimore it was decided that the following words be deleted from the minutes:-

"In connection with which there had been a dispute with Councillor O'Connor who was acting for McGinn as to the signing of an agreement".

The Minute of the Law & Finance Committee of the 30th October recommending that no further Corporation business be placed in the hands of the Solicitor to the Corporation was referred back to the Committee for further particulars.

Minutes of Law & Finance Committee Approved.

The Minutes of the Law & Finance Committee for the past Quarter as amended were approved on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Stanley.

Cinema License Boyne Cinema Co.

An application of the Boyne Cinema Co. for a Cinema Licence for the Oliver Plunkett Hall read.

On the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Stanley it was decided to issue the Licence.

Resignation Councillor McGowan

Letter read from Councillor H. McGowan tendering his resignation as Councillor for St. Lawrence Gate Ward.

Not accepted.

It was unanimously decided to ask Councillor McGowan to re-consider his decision.

Resolution.

The following resolution from the Drogheda Sinn Fein Club was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Reddan:-

Release of Political Prisoners.

"That we demand the release from English & Irish Prisons of Irishmen and Irishwomen who have been imprisoned by the despotic alien Military Government of England because they dared declare for Ireland the right that her people should determine the sovereignty under which they wish to live".

Letter from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction

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Instruction relating to the acquirement of Lands for allotment purposes and the rents of same for season 1919 read.

No order made.

Housing Scheme

Circular letter of the Local Government Board read intimating that they are prepared to consider applications from Local Authorities for permission to raise loans for Housing Schemes etc.

Special meeting

It was decided to hold a Special Meeting of the Council on the 15th January to take into consideration the question of a Housing Scheme for Drogheda.

Condolence death of Dr. J.A. McQuillan

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Davis a vote of Condolence was passed with the wife & relatives of Dr. J.A. McQuillan, County ~~Medical~~ Louth Tuberculosis Medical Officer.

W. J. Allingham

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, R. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J. Kelly, D. Reddan, L. Stanley, T. Byrne, J. Hallan, J. Dolan, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor.

The Notice convening the meeting was read, also the Circular letter of the Local Government Board intimating that they are now, in conjunction with the Treasury, prepared to consider applications from Local Authorities for permission to raise Loans in order to enable them to put into operation schemes of public utility such as Housing, Water Supply, Sewers &c;

Report of Medical Superintendent Officer of Health.

The following extract from the Annual Report of the Medical Superintendent Officer of Health was read:-

..... " A matter which requires your immediate attention is the housing of the artizans and laboring classes. For the past 8 years I have drawn your attention to this matter with very little result. There are now, I may say, a hundred houses in different parts of the town practically unfit for habitation and a menace to the lives of the occupiers. It would be well that the Borough Engineer bring in a detailed report of those mud-wall thatched cabins the roofs of which are letting in rain, and side walls crumbling away. The localities in which these houses are situated are:- Hughes Lane, Hardman's Garden, North Road, Patrick St, Scarlet St. Nun's Walk, Blackbut Lane, Crooked St, Platten Road, Hinchey's Lane, The Daleans, Scotch Hall. I would recommend that at least 100 houses be erected with as little delay as possible".

Houses unfit for habitation

Report of Boro' Surveyor.

Report of Borough Surveyor read intimating that during the past 10 years over 200 houses had fallen down, and 110 houses will have to be removed to clear sites for new dwellings; that 86 houses had been built under the "Glancy" Act leaving a want of 224 houses to bring housing to the same condition numerically as 10 years ago; that about 640 other houses are now in a

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a condition rapidly approaching dilapidation, and that they have been in almost all cases condemned by the medical Officers of Health as insanitary and scarcely unfit for human habitation; that the new site plans show sites for ~~315~~ 761 houses in ~~the North Road~~ all and would require in some cases the acquisition of land; that the houses are now arranged in groups of from 2 to 8 with a ~~garden~~ space of about ½ of an acre and number about 12 to the acre with open spaces and playgrounds; that the cost of each house, as far as can be ascertained at the present fluctuating prices, would range from about £375 to £600 or an average cost over all houses of about £450; ~~and~~ that for an immediate scheme of 224 houses a loan of over £100,000 would be required and for a general scheme of 850 houses about £300,000 would be necessary.

It was unanimously decided to ask the Local Government Board for sanction to a loan of £500,000 for a housing scheme, and that ~~the~~ a copy of the Borough Surveyor's Report together with the Extract from the Annual Report of the Medical Superintendent Officer of Health be forwarded to them also.

His Worship the mayor proposed ~~and~~ Councillor O'Connor, seconding that the Lord Mayor of Dublin be asked to convene a Conference of the Municipalities of Ireland to deal with the question of the housing of the Working Classes.

W. J. Coffington
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Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at noon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- L. Jordan, P. Drew, I. McCullough, P. Lyons, L. J. Elcock.
Councillors:- J.S. Kelly, D. Reddan, M. McGowan, L.O. Cullen, L. Stanley, J. Dolan, C. O'Connor, J. Berrill, P. Lynch, D. Branigan, J. Callan, F. Byrne.

Minutes — The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The minutes of the last meetings were read and confirmed.

Councillor McGowan Resignation withdrawn — Letter read from M. McGowan withdrawing his resignation as Councillor for St. Lawrence Ward.

Housing Problem All Ireland Conference. — Letter read from Lord Mayor of Dublin, in reply to a letter from His Worship the mayor, relating to the calling of an All Ireland Conference to deal with the housing problem and intimating that the matter would have his early attention.

Election of Mayor. 1919-20. — The Election of Mayor for the ensuing year was next proceeded with.
Councillor Cullen proposed and Councillor Stanley seconded that Councillor M. McGowan be elected Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1920.
The motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Councillor McGowan Elected. — Councillor McGowan having made the Declaration of acceptance of Office was invested with the Chain of Office by the outgoing Mayor. He thereupon took the Chair

A vote of thanks to the outgoing Mayor for his services during the past year was proposed by Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Cullen and carried unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned. — Alderman Drew proposed and Councillor Reddan seconded that the meeting be now adjourned to Wednesday 5th February prox.

M. McGowan
J. Callan

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on this day at 11 o'clock a.m.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock, L. Jordan, P. Lyons.
Councillors:- L. Stanley, F. Byrne, L.O. Cullen, J. MacQuillan, M. Berrill, D. Branigan, J. Callan, J. Davis, J.S. Kelly.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. — Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £. 1078: 0: 10
Public Library £. 18: 8: 7

Election of Committees. — On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor J.S. Kelly, it was resolved:-

That the remaining Quarterly meetings of the year be held at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on the first Wednesday in April, the third Wednesday in July, and the first Wednesday in October.

The following Committees were appointed for year ending 23rd January 1920:-

By Laws Markets Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock
Councillors:- L.O. Cullen, D. Branigan, J. Berrill, L. Stanley, P. Lynch, J. Davis, W.T. Sheffington.

Law & Finance Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, L. Jordan
Councillors:- L.O. Cullen, A. MacQuillan, J. Dolan, J. Davis, L. Stanley, W.T. Sheffington.

Gas Works Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, I. McCullough, P. Drew.
Councillors:- L.O. Cullen, C. O'Connor, J.S. Kelly, P. Lynch, L. Stanley.

Water Works Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, L. Jordan, L. J. Elcock.

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Councillors:- F. Byrne, W. T. Skeffington, D. Reddan, T. V. MacQuillan, L. Stanley

Technical Instruction & Public Library Committee:-

His Worship the mayor

Aldermen:- T. McCullough, P. B. Moore, L. J. Elcock.

Councillors:- L. Stanley, P. Lynch, T. V. MacQuillan, Rt. Rev. Mgr. Segrave, Vy. Rev. D. Flynn P.P., Rev. Chancellor, L.P.T. Ledoux, Rev. T. R. Brunskill; messrs W. J. D. Walker, C.B. McCasey

Housing Committee:

His Worship the mayor

Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons, S. Jordan

Councillors:- J. Davis, T. V. MacQuillan, W. T. Skeffington, S. P. Cullen.

Allotments Committee:-

His Worship the mayor

Councillors:- W. T. Skeffington, D. Reddan, L. Stanley, J. S. Kelly.

Mr. P. Weldon, Mr. P. P. Keeley. Salaries raised.

Report of Law & Finance Committee read recommending increase in salary of Mr. P. Weldon as Markets Inspector of £20 per annum, and granting Bonus to Mr. P. P. Keeley of £30.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Elcock seconded by Councillor Callan.

Condolence Acknowledgment.

Letter read from Mrs. M. MacQuillan thanking the Council for vote of condolence passed with her on the death of her husband.

Lease Endorsement.

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to an endorsement in the fold of the Lease No. 1332 unto W. T. Skeffington waiving certain Covenants in said Lease, and to a memorial for Registration of such Lease.

Sale to Mr. P. L. McKeon. L.G.B. sanction refused.

Letter from Local Government Board intimating that they are not prepared to sanction the sale to Mr. P. L. McKeon of land at Milltown at a less price than £550 read

Ordered that Mr. McKeon be informed of the Board's decision

Application from Sergeant-at-Mace for suit of Clothes and Overcoat read.

It was decided to order such clothes.

Allotments.

Letter read from Mr. P. F. Donagh, Hon. Secretary, Plotholders' Association intimating that the Plots Association do not desire to take on the responsibility of the working of Plots this coming season.

It was agreed to ask the Mr. Donagh to summon a General Meeting of the Plotholders to ascertain whether they desired to take plots this coming season.

Resolution from Pembroke Urban District Council on the subject of the cost of the upkeep of District Asylums read. No order made.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- P.B. Moore, S. Jordan, P. Lyons.
Councillors:- J. Davis, L. Stanley, W. T. Skeffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered - Borough Fund £3521=16=2
Public Library £ 9=3=7

Quality of Gas. Manager's statement.

The Manager, Gas Works Department, submitted a statement in connection with Alderman Lyons' complaint made at last meeting of the Council in regard to the quality of Gas supplied for heating purposes.

No order made.

Report. Allotments Committee.

Report of Allotments Committee read recommending that plotholders should be required to pay the rent of the plot in advance this coming season.

Rent of Plots.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Skeffington seconded by Councillor Stanley.

Sale to Mr. P.L. McKeon. L.G.B. sanction.

Letter from Local Government Board approving of proposed sale to Mr P.L. McKeon of Land at Milltown for the sum of £550, read.

No order made.

A Resolution from Naas Union on the subject of the treatment of the Political prisoners in Cork Jail was adopted on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Skeffington.

M McJowan
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March 19th

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11.15 o'clock ~~am~~ in the forenoon on this day; to consider joint report of Law & Finance and Gas Works Committees in relation to resignation of Mr. H.W. Saville, Manager & Secretary, Gas Works Department.

Present:-

Alderman P. B. Moore in the Chair.
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock
Councillors:- D. Reddan, F. Byrne, L. Stanley, John J. Callan

The following report ~~of~~ was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Stanley:-

"Gentlemen,

Resignation of Mr. H. W. Saville Manager & Sec. Gas Works.

We have had under consideration the resignation of Mr H.W. Saville, Manager & Secretary, Gas Works Department. In accordance with Rule 38 of your Standing Orders the vacancy was brought under the notice of the Law & Finance Committee, but the latter agreed that the matter should first be considered by the Gas Works Committee, and it was therefore decided to call a joint meeting of the Law & Finance & Gas Works Committees to go into the question of Mr. Saville's resignation.

Owing to the fact that Mr. Saville is leaving on the 6th April we considered it advisable so as to avoid unnecessary delay to advertise in the "Gas World" for a fully qualified Gas Manager to act as Manager & Secretary of the Gas Works at a salary of £250 with free house, gas, water and fuel, the applications to be in on the 26th instant.

We recommend you to approve the steps taken.

Dated 12th March 1919 M McJowan, Chairman".

M McJowan
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March 26th

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at noon on this day.

To consider applications for the position of Manager & Secretary of the Gas Works Department.

Present:-

His Worship the mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, T. McCullough, A. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. O. Cullen, A. J. MacQuillan, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, D. Reddan, J. J. Kelly, J. Davis & J. Ballan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Managers & Sec. Gas Works. Committee appointed re.

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Stanley, the following were appointed as a Sub Committee to examine the applications and report thereon to the Council. The Mayor, Alderman Lyons, Councillors:- Stanley, Kelly, Cullen, Byrne, Davis and Callan.

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Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- T. McCullough, L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons, S. Jordan, A. B. Moore.
Councillors:- J. J. Kelly, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, D. Reddan, J. O. Cullen, J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, T. V. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor, J. J. Ballan, D. Branigan, J. Berrill & J. Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages sheet examined and signed

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund £710-9-10
Public Library 6-14-11.

Minutes of Committees approved. The Minutes of the Lgw & Finance and Gas Works Committees for the past Quarter were approved on the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Stanley.

Election of Gas manager. Read Report of Committee appointed to consider applications for the position of Manager & Secretary, Gas Works Department recommending that J. O. Halliwell, Mullingar, P. J. Fitzpatrick, Maryborough, L. P. Young, Carlow, and M. Watson, Holeworthy, would be the most suitable Candidates for a final selection.

Councillor Stanley proposed, Councillor Kelly seconding, that Mr. P. J. Fitzpatrick be elected.

Mr. J. O. Halliwell was proposed by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Councillor O'Connor.

Mr. Watson was proposed by Councillor Ballan, seconded by Councillor T. V. MacQuillan.

On a division there voted for:-

Fitzpatrick	Halliwell	Watson
Aldermen:- Elcock, McCullough, Moore.	Aldermen:- Jordan, Lyons.	Councillors:- T. V. MacQuillan, A. J. MacQuillan, Ballan (3)
Councillors:- Kelly, Reddan, Cullen, Dolan, Byrne, Stanley, Berrill, Branigan & The mayor (12)	Councillors:- Davis & O'Connor (4)	

Mr. Fitzpatrick elected. Mr. Fitzpatrick having a clear majority of votes was thereupon declared Elected.

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Pupil in Gas Works.

elected as Manager & Secretary, Gas Works Department.

In reply to Councillor Callan Mr. Fitzpatrick undertook to train a pupil in the Gas Works provided he received a fee from such pupil.

Letter from L.G.B. re increase in price of Gas.

Communication from Local Government Board enclosing copy of a letter received from Messrs A. McDougall & Co. regarding the increase in the maximum charge for Gas together with a copy of the Board's reply thereto, read.

The matter was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Arising out of a discussion on the increase in the maximum price of Gas it was decided to apply to the Local Government Board for sanction, under the Statutory Undertakings (temporary increase of charges) Bill, to a further increase of sixpence in the price of Gas bringing the total price of Gas to 6/6 per 1000 cubic ft. as recommended by the Council on the 7th August last.

Joint Industries Development Assocn.

Councillors T. V. MacQuillan & J. Hollan were appointed as Delegates to attend an All-Ireland meeting of the Joint Industrial Development Association re Ways and Communications Bill.

Applications from Irish Transport & General Workers' Union and Dock Labourers Union for an increase in the men's wages and a 48 hours per week, read.

It was decided to refer the matter to the Council in Committee.

A communication from the Ministry of Labour requesting representatives to attend a Conference in Dublin on the 8th instant respecting an application by the National Transport Workers' Federation for a revision of the working hours, rates of pay, and working conditions of Dock and Waterside Workers in Ireland, was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Motor License Robert Cummins

Upon his application Robert Cummins, Shop Street, was granted a Hackney Carriage License (motor car.)

A circular letter of the Local Government Board, relating to the terms

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terms of financial Assistance in regard to Housing Schemes was taken as read, the matter to be further considered.

Resolution from the Drogheda Plotholders' Association protesting against the action of the Council in asking the Plotholders to pay the rent of their plots in advance, read.

No order made.

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Pupil in Gas Works.

elected as Manager & Secretary, Gas Works Department.

In reply to Councillor Callan Mr. Fitzpatrick undertook to train a pupil in the Gas Works provided he received a fee from such pupil.

Letter from L.G.B. re increase in price of Gas.

Communication from Local Government Board enclosing copy of a letter received from Messrs A. McDougall & Co. regarding the increase in the maximum charge for Gas together with a copy of the Board's reply thereto, read.

The matter was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Arising out of a discussion on the increase in the maximum price of Gas it was decided to apply to the Local Government Board for sanction, under the Statutory Undertakings (temporary increase of charges) Bill, to a further increase of sixpence in the price of Gas bringing the total price of Gas to 6/6 per 1000 cubic ft. as recommended by the Council on the 7th August last.

Joint Industries Development Assocn.

Councillors T. V. MacQuillan & J. J. Callan were appointed as Delegates to attend an all-Ireland meeting of the Joint Industrial Development Association re Ways and Communications Bill.

Applications from Irish Transport & General Workers' Union and Dock Labourers Union for an increase in the men's wages and a 44 hour per week, read.

It was decided to refer the matter to the Council in Committee.

A communication from the Ministry of Labour requesting representatives to attend a Conference in Dublin on the 8th instant respecting an application by the National Transport Workers' Federation for a revision of the working hours, rates of pay, and working conditions of Dock and Waterside Workers in Ireland, was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Motor License Robert Cummins

Upon his application Robert Cummins, Shop Street, was granted a Hackney Carriage License (motor car.)

A circular letter of the Local Government Board relating to the terms

was taken as read.

protesting against the rent of their

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M I N U T E S of a meeting of the Council in Committee of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Friday the 11th day of April, 1919.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock, C. Jordan, P. Lyons.
Councillors:- J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, S. P. Cullen, F. Byrne, C. O'Connor, L. Stanley, J. S. Kelly.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Applications from the Irish Transport & General Workers' Union and Dock Labourers Union applying for increases in the wages of the Scavengers, Carters and Roadmen as would bring them up to 50/- per week with a 44 hour working week, read.

Owing to the fact that the Employees had received since 1914 more than 100% increase in wages, and that the cost of living had not increased beyond this amount, it was unanimously decided not to give any further increase, but to reduce the number of working hours to 50 per week.

An application from the Dock Labourers Union for an increase of £1 per week in the wages of the Stokers and of 10/- per week in the wages of the Yardmen employed in the Gas Works with a 44 hour per week was read.

Agreed unanimously to grant an increase of 10/- per week to the Stokers their working hours to remain the same as at present; and to deal with the men employed in the Yard in the same way as the other Corporation employees.

The Assistant Town Clerk reported that Mr. Saville, late Manager & Secretary, Gas Works Department, had not balanced all the books of account and that they were not ready for Audit.

His Worship the Mayor was authorised to enquire into and report upon the condition of the Gas Works and the organization of the Office staff and to take whatever steps he considered advisable for the proper carrying out of the duties of the Gas Works Office.

The applications of John Gorman and John O'Neill, Gas Works, [illegible] for increases in wages, were left in the hands of the Mayor to enquire into.

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elected as Manager & Secretary, Gas Works Department.

Pupil in Gas Works.

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Letter from L. G. B. re increase in price of Gas.

Communication from Local Government Board enclosing copy of a letter received from Messrs A. McDougall & Co. regarding the increase in the maximum charge for Gas together with a copy of the Board's reply thereto, read.

The matter was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Arising out of a discussion on the increase in the maximum price of Gas it was decided to apply to the Local Government Board for sanction, under the Statutory Undertakings (temporary increase of charges) Bill, to a further increase of sixpence in the price of Gas bringing the total price of Gas to 6/6 per 1000 cubic ft. as recommended by the Council on the 7th August last.

Joint Industries Development Assocn.

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Applications from Irish Transport & General Workers' Union and Dock Labourers Union for an increase in the men's wages and a 44 hour per week read.

It was decided to refer the matter to the Council in Committee.

A communication from the Ministry of Labour requesting representatives to attend a Conference in Dublin on the 8th instant respecting an application by the National Transport Workers' Federation for a revision of the working hours, rates of pay, and working conditions of Dock and Waterside Workers in Ireland, was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Motor License Robert Crimmins

Upon his application Robert Crimmins, Shop Street, was granted a Hackney Carriage License (motor car.)

A circular letter of the Local Government Board relating to the terms

regard to Housing Schemes was taken as read,

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Present:

...da Plotholders' Association protesting against ...ng the Plotholders to pay the rent of their

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, P. B. Moore, L. J. ...
Councillors:- F. Byrne, L. Stanley, J. Da...
C. O'Connor, P. Lynch.

The notice convening the meeting was

Applications from the Irish Transport ... Union and Dock Labourers Union for increase i... Scavengers, etc. and employees of the Gas Works ... 44 hour working week, read.

Applications from John Gorman and John O'Neill, for increase in wages read.

After considerable discussion it was agreed to adjou... meeting until Friday evening at 8 o'clock,

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair

Aldermen:- L. J. Elcock, P. Lyons, P. B. Moore.

Councillors:- D. Reddan, M. Kelly, L. P. Callan, J. Davis, L. Stanley, J. J. Callan, C. O'Connor, John Dolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund. £1409: 11: 0
Public Library £ 6: 8: 1

Income Tax Recovery. The Assistant Town Clerk was authorized to employ an Income Tax Recovery Agent to go into the Corporation Income Tax Accounts with a view to obtaining a refund.

Re-arrangement of Wards. Councillor Callan proposed, Alderman Elcock seconding, that the Assistant Town Clerk take the necessary steps to apply to have the Wards of the Borough re-arranged under the Proportional Representation Act as set out in the ~~Council~~ minutes of the Council on the 6th December 1916.

Auditors Report. The Report of the Auditor upon his Audit of the Accounts for year ending 31st March 1918 was referred to the Law & Finance Committee to draft a reply to the various matters mentioned in the Report.

The following report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Stanley:-

Striking of Rate Report on. "We recommend the striking of a total Rate of 8/6d for the current fiscal year, an increase of 1/2d over last year. The increase in the County Demand is responsible for 1/- and Income Tax Assessment for 2d. These are increases over which the Council have no control.

We have gone very carefully into the Borough Surveyor's Estimates and in order to keep the Rates for this Department down we recommend the following suggestions for adoption by you which will effect a saving of 6d in the £:-

That

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Cleaning of Ashpits.

"That all Ashpits in future should be cleared by the Occupiers, or in the alternative, a charge made for the cleansing of such Ashpits. Under your By-laws you have power to compel the occupier of any premises to have the Ashpit cleansed at least once in every month. This will effect a saving of £340 on the Borough Surveyor's Estimate.

Increase in Rents. That the weekly tenants' rent be increased by the actual amount of increased rates since 1914.

We have made no provision for increase in wages or for any additional work, and the Borough Surveyor's Estimate has been reduced by us to the very minimum with which the work of his Department can be carried out. If you are to keep within the limit of your Rate no extra work can be carried out this year.

We append copy of Assistant Town Clerk's Report and recommend that the necessary steps be taken to apply to the Local Government Board to have the Financial Relations with the County Council revised.

Boro' Treasurer's Annual Statement. We recommend that the Borough Treasurer submit along with the Annual Statement of Accounts prescribed by the Public Bodies Order a Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the various Markets, the Artizans Dwellings (new and old) and the Workhouse."

Increase in Workmen's Wages. The following report of the Council in Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Alderman Elcock, seconded by Councillor O'Connor:-

Report re. "We have had before us an application from the Dock Labourers Union and from the Irish Transport & General Workers Union for increase in wages and reduction in working hours of the Corporation employees including the employees in the Gas Works Department.

We met several times and have gone very carefully into the matter. Having regard to the fact that the employees have received more than 105% increase in wages over pre-war rates we cannot recommend any increase in their present wages, but we have reduced their working hours from 60 to 50 per week. We have increased the wages of the Stokers in the Gas Works by 10/- per week their working hours to remain as at present; we would prefer that the question of their working hours should be dealt with by the new Manager.

We authorized His Worship the Mayor to enquire into and report upon the condition of the Gas Works and the organization of the Office Staff and take whatever steps he considered advisable for the proper carrying out of the duties of the Gas Works Office. We unanimously adopted the Mayor's report (copy of which is appended herewith) and appointed

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appointed Mr R. J. Williams as a Clerk in the Gas Works Office at a salary of £2 per week.

Clerical Staff of Gas Works.

A Report of His Worship the Mayor relating to the ~~re~~ re-organization of the Clerical Staff of the Gas Works Office was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor O'Connor.

A Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the condition of the Gas Works was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Conveyance to Mgr. Segrave & Ors executed. ✓

A Conveyance to the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Segrave & others of premises situate upon the north side of West Street, for a consideration of £430. and of Land at Marlmore, containing 3ac 3rd 3p (be the same more or less) there about, for a consideration of £200. was this day executed.

List of Arrears & Irrecoverables approved.

The Rate Collector's lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates amounting to £57: : 4 for the half year ending 31st March last was approved.

L. G. B. elections

Circular letter from Local Government Board relating to holding of Local Government Elections read. No order made.

Letter from Mr. A. Newcomen, Dublin, complaining of overcharge for Carhire to Clogherhead by Eugene King, Hackney Car proprietor, read. No order made.

Housing Fund. ✓

Certificate from the Local Government Board under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts setting out the contributions from the Housing Fund to which Local Authorities were entitled in respect of the financial year ending 31st March last submitted. No order made.

Circular letter from Local Government Board with Supplemental memorandum for the guidance of Local Authorities with respect to the selection of sites and the accommodation to be provided in Houses erected under State aided Schemes submitted. No order made.

A letter from Mrs. Anne Reid, Peter St., drawing attention to the continued damage done to inside of Gable end of Mrs. Byrne's house

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house in Potato Market Square was referred to the Borough Surveyor.

Councillor Reddan, Gas Works Committee

Councillor D. Reddan was unanimously co-opted on the Gas Works Committee in room of Alderman Lyons resigned.

~~It was~~ Ordered that the Gas Works Committee meetings be held in future in the Gas Works Office instead of the Court House.

The Report of the Auditor together with the Abstract of Accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for year ending 31st March 1918 was submitted and approved.

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Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, R.B. Moore.
Councillors:- L. Stanley, J. Davis, D. Branigan & J. Callan

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

It was proposed by Councillor Stanley, seconded by Councillor Davis, and Resolved:-

Rate Resolutions.

"That this Council do hereby make, strike, and impose a Borough Rate of Forty seven pence in the pound on the owners, occupiers, or tenants of all hereditaments within the Borough rateable for the relief of the poor upon the annual value thereof- that is to say, thirteen pence in the pound for the maintenance of the Public Works transferred to the Council by section 27 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, in order to raise the sum of £1402 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of such maintenance for the year ending 31st March 1920; Fourteen pence in the pound for payment of Income Tax on the Corporate Estate in order to raise the sum of £509 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to discharge the increased Income Tax Assessment; Eighteen pence in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £1,941 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of the Water Supply for the year ending 31st March 1920; one penny in the pound for expenses under 'The Public Libraries Acts 1855 to 1902', in order to raise the sum of £108 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses to be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said last mentioned Acts for the year ending 31st March 1920; One penny in the pound for expenses under 'The Technical Instruction Act, 1889, and 'The Agriculture & Technical Instruction Act, 1899', in order to raise the sum of £108 being the amount which

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which the Council has estimated will be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said Acts for the year ending 31st March, 1920".

"That the Rate Book and all the entries made therein be, and the same is hereby adopted as the Rate Book by the Council, and that the same be duly signed as such, and it is hereby ordered that the said Rates shall be payable on and after the 21st day of May, ~~1920~~ 1919."

"That the Council do hereby make, strike, and impose upon the occupiers of all property within the Borough, a Poor Rate of Fifty five pence in the pound upon the annual value of all such property under the Irish Poor Relief Acts, and the Local Government (Ireland) Acts, 1898-1902, in order to raise the sum of £5,931 which has been estimated will meet, for the year ending 31st March 1920, the Demand of the County Council, and also the expenses of the Council, to be defrayed out of the Poor Rate, under the last mentioned Acts and Acts amending and extending the same, and that the same shall be payable on and after the 21st day of May, 1919."

The motion having been put was declared carried unanimously.

The various Estimates having been submitted and formally approved, the Rate Book & and Collector's Warrant were duly executed and sealed.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 4th day of June 1919.

Present:-

His Worship the mayor in the Chair.

Aldermen:- ~~J. Kelly, L. Callan~~, L. J. Elcock, A. Lyons.

Councillors:- J. Kelly, L. Callan, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, J. Davis, T. V. MacQuillan, C. O'Connor, J. Merrill & J. J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meetings were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund. £766: 3: 5

Public Library 9: 13: 2.

Strike of Corporation employees. A Report of the Council in Committee relating to the action of the Corporation employees in going out on Strike was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Councillor O'Connor.

Letter from Mrs. H. Byrne, Hardman's Garden, relating to the filling up of his position as Clerk in Gas Works Department read.

No order made.

Mr. B. Fagan. Unpaid Assistant Public Analyst. Letter from Sir C. A. Cameron, Public Analyst, requesting that Mr. B. Fagan, be appointed as an unpaid Assistant Public Analyst read.

On the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by Councillor Stanley it was unanimously agreed to appoint Mr. B. Fagan as unpaid Assistant Public Health Analyst for Drogheda.

Letter from Local Government Board refusing to increase maximum price of Gas under the Statutory Undertakings (Temporary Increase of Charges) Act, 1918 to 6/6 per 1000 cubic feet read.

No order made.

Trains to Laytown on Sundays. Letter from Ancient Order of Hibernians, Drogheda, in relation to the train service between Drogheda & Laytown on Sundays read.

The Assistant Town Clerk was directed to write the Great Northern Railway

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Railway Co. requesting them to put on an afternoon Sunday train to Laytown.

The Council resolved itself into Committee to discuss the question of the employees application for increase in wages &c. with representatives of the Dock Labourers Union.

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Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 16th day of July, 1919.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair

Aldermen:- J. Jordan, P. Drew, P.B. Moore, L.J. Elcock

Councillors:- J.J. Kelly, L. Stanley, D. Reddan, J.P. Cullen, F. Byrne, J. Dolan, J. MacQuillan, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor, D. Branigan, J.J. Callan

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered – Borough Fund £502:12:5
Public Library £9:3:7

Minutes of Committees adopted. The Minutes of the Gas Works Committee for the past Quarter were adopted on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor O'Connor.

The confirmation of the Minutes of the Law & Finance Committee were proposed by Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Byrne.

Lease of Hibernian Bank. The consideration of the minute of the Law & Finance Committee of the 23rd April (page 7) dealing with the Surrender of the existing Lease to the Hibernian Bank was adjourned pending Notice of Motion by Councillor O'Connor in connection with the matter.

Repairing Lease Mr. W. Mc Hugh. Councillor Berrill moved Councillor Callan seconding that the Minute of the Law & Finance Committee of the 18th June be expunged and that a repairing Lease for a term of 31 years be granted to mr. w. mc Hugh of the premises in his possession in George's St, the rent to be fixed by an independent Valuer, and that the boundaries of his Garden be defined so as not to interfere with any future housing schemes.

Alderman Elcock moved as an amendment Alderman Drew seconding that the matter be referred back to the Law & Finance Committee.

On a division there voted for:

For The Amendment.	Against the Amendment.
Aldermen:- Drew, Elcock	Aldermen:- Jordan, Moore
Councillors:- Stanley (3)	Councillors:- Kelly, Reddan, Cullen, J. MacQuillan, Dolan, Byrne, Callan, Berrill, O'Connor & Branigan. (12)

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Motion carried.

The Amendment was declared lost and the motion then put, the members voting against the Amendment voted for the motion, and those voting for the Amendment voted against the motion; the motion was accordingly declared carried by 12 votes to 3.

The Minutes of the Law & Finance Committee as amended were then approved.

The Minutes of the Water Works Committee were adopted on the motion of Councillor J. MacQuillan seconded by Councillor Cullen.

Position of Borough Coroner Vacant. A Report of the Law & Finance Committee intimating that the position of Borough Coroner was vacant and recommending that the position be advertised at a salary of £25 per annum, read.

Councillor Stanley moved and Alderman Drew seconded that the Report be adopted.

Councillor Callan moved as an amendment, Councillor Kelly seconding that the salary be fixed at £40 per annum.

On a division there voted:

For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
Aldermen:- Jordan, Elcock.	Aldermen:- Drew, Moore
Councillors:- Kelly, Reddan, Cullen, Byrne, Callan, Berrill & O'Connor. (9)	Councillors:- J. MacQuillan, Dolan, Stanley, Branigan & The Mayor. (7)

Position to be Advertised. The Amendment was accordingly declared carried, and the Assistant Law Clerk was directed to issue an Advertisement in the terms of the same.

Corporation Workmens Increase in Wages. Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor O'Connor moved Councillor Stanley seconding — "That the wages of the Carters and Scavengers of the Corporation be increased by 3/- per week, the payment to be retrospective to this date, and to rescind any resolution to the contrary."

The same was put and declared carried unanimously.

Revision A list of Tenements for revision of valuation, was submitted and approved.

Conveyance The following Deeds of Conveyance together with Memorials for Registration were this day executed unto:-

Jno Jameson & Sons. (1) Messrs John Jameson & Sons Ltd. of premises at the rere of no 17 West Street for the sum of £150.

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(2) Patrick J Caffrey of James's Street, Drogheda, of premises at Mary Street and Old Corn Market Hill, for the sum of £250.

(3) Patrick L. McKeon of Sandpit, Drogheda, of Land at Kilsallaghery for the sum of £550.

Agreement. Corpr & P. J. Fitzpatrick

An Agreement between the Corporation and P. J. Fitzpatrick Manager & Secretary, Gas Works Department, was this day executed.

Association of Municipal Authorities

A communication from the Association of Municipal Authorities requesting the appointment of 2 Delegates to attend the Annual Conference on the 9th & 10th September at Londonderry read.

His Worship the mayor and Assistant Town Clerk were appointed to represent the Corporation.

Sunday trains to Laytown.

Correspondence from Great Northern Railway Co. re Laytown Train Service on Sundays read.

No order made.

Civic Welcome to Trades Congress Delegates

A Resolution from the Drogheda Trades & Labour Council asking the Mayor and Corporation to extend a Civic Welcome to the Delegates at the opening of the Trades Congress on Monday 11th August, read.

The Assistant Town Clerk was directed to send a reply to the Trades Council to the effect that the communication should be addressed to His Worship the mayor.

Dismissal of Corporation employees

Two Delegates representing the Dock Labourers Union and the Irish Transport Workers Union appeared before the Council in relation to the dismissal of two Corporation employees and asked for their re-instatement.

It was unanimously agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the Borough Surveyor to deal with.

Bettystown Races. Half Holiday changed to Friday

It was unanimously decided that owing to the Strand Races, Bettystown, falling on Friday the 25th July inst. that the Weekly Half Holiday be changed to that day, and that an advertisement be inserted in the Local Papers to that effect.

Condolence J. J. Farrell.

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Alderman Elcock a vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with the widow and family

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family of the late J. J. Farrell, Borough Coroner.

Independent Valuer.

Arising out of a question by Councillor Callan the Assistant Town Clerk was instructed to prepare by next meeting the date of a Resolution of Councillor Davis appointing an Independent Valuer.

Consideration of the remaining business was adjourned to next meeting.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 11 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday the 6th day of August 1919.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the chair.

Aldermen:- T. McCullough, L.J. Elcock, P. Lyons, S. Jordan.

Councillors:- Jas. Noonan, J.J. Kelly, D. Reddan, J.O. Allen, L. Stanley, T. Byrne, A.J. MacAuillan, J. Dolan, J. Davis, W. MacAuillan, P. Lynch, C. O'Connor, J.J. Callan, J. Berrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

~~The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed~~

Wages / Payments. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments ordered - Borough Fund. £860:11:6

Public Library £44:10:8

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

Councillor Berrill moved and Councillor Callan seconded that the following paragraph in the previous minutes relating to Lease to William McHugh of premises George's Street be deleted: "and that the boundaries of his garden be defined so as not to interfere with any future Housing Schemes".

His Worship the Mayor moved as an amendment Councillor Stanley seconding that the Minutes be signed as correct

On a division there voted

For the Amendment:	Against the Amendment:
Aldermen:- Elcock, Lyons.	Aldermen:- Jordan
Councillors:- T. MacAuillan, Davis, Dolan, A.J. MacAuillan, Stanley, Lynch, O'Connor, & The Mayor (10).	Councillors:- Kelly, Reddan, Callan, Byrne, Callan & Berrill. (7.)

Aldermen McCullough and Councillor Noonan declined to vote.

The Amendment was accordingly declared carried and the Minutes signed as correct.

Borough Coroner. M. J. Kieran appointed.

Only one application - that of M. J. Kieran, Solicitor Lawrence Street, Drogheda, - having been received for the position of Borough Coroner, he was unanimously appointed as Coroner for the Borough of Drogheda at a salary of £40 per annum on the motion

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motion of Alderman Elcock seconded by Councillor Davis.

Mr. Joseph Carr appointed Town Clerk Pro. Tem.

Mr. Joseph Carr, Assistant Town Clerk, was unanimously appointed Town Clerk pro. tem. on the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by Councillor Reddan.

Condolence. J.B. Connolly.

On the motion of Alderman Elcock seconded by Councillor Davis a vote of condolence was unanimously passed with the family of the late J.B. Connolly, Town Clerk, and that this meeting stand adjourned to Wednesday, August 20th as a mark of respect to his memory.

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Minutes of an adjourned meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on this day.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor in the Chair
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, L.J. Elcock
Councillors:- J.A. Noonan, L. Stanley, F. Byrne, D. Reddan, J.J. Kelly, J. Davis, J.J. Callan, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor, D. Branigan, J. Nolan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Report. Gas Works Committee. The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor O'Connor seconded by Councillor Stanley.

"Gentlemen – The State of the Finances of the Gas Works Dept. has had our careful consideration for some time past, and we have come to the conclusion that unless the price of Gas be increased the Works cannot continue on its present basis. The Gas Works Account has been in debit since August 1916 and at the end of March last there was a balance against of £2,462:16:3. In September 1918 application was made to the Local Government Board for sanction to increase the price of Gas from 5/6 to 6/6, but the Board only consented to an increase of 6d. Application was made to them for the extra 6d. but they refused to give their consent. With the extra 6/ per ton on Coal and the increase in men's wages and materials of all sorts it is imperative that the price of Gas be increased by 1/, and we accordingly directed the Assistant Town Clerk to apply to the Vice-President of the Local Government Board to meet a deputation to lay the facts before him. The Local Government Board have now intimated that they are prepared to consider an application for the increase in the price of Gas owing to existing circumstances. We therefore recommend that application be made to the Local Government Board for an Order under the Statutory Undertakings (Temporary Increase of Charges) Act, 1918, to increase the price of Gas from 6/ to 7/.

As the Gas Collector's whole time is employed in collecting Gas Accounts we recommend that the present system of allowing cash discounts on Gas Accounts be discontinued; that the

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the price of Coke be increased from £2-10/ to £3 per ton, and the price of Tar from 6d. to 8d. per gallon. With the present price of materials &c. it is necessary to increase the price of all Residuals.

Tenders for Retorts. We have received the following tenders for re-setting of two beds of 8 Retorts each. We recommend you to accept the lowest, that of William Steele, Athlone, at £297:15/

L.W. Drake, Halifax	£462:10/
T.C. Sugden & Co., Leeds	£441:0/
W.H. Sisney & Co. Halifax	£492.0
Standard Furnace Fittings Co. Do.	£475:0
R. Dempster & Sons Ltd. Elland.	£469:0
Wm. Steele, Athlone	£297:15/ "

M. McGowan, Chairman"

A Report of the Assistant Town Clerk, in relation to the financial position of the Gas Works was read and approved.

Hibernian Bank Lease. Pursuant to notice of motion Councillor O'Connor moved and Councillor Noonan seconded -

"That any and all resolutions purporting to give or promise to give the Hibernian Bank a renewal of lease on expiration of their present Lease of the Tholsel premises be rescinded, and that no surrender of the present Lease be accepted".

A Letter from P. Callan, Solicitor, and a Resolution from the Drogheda Trades Council in relation to the Lease to the Hibernian Bank were read.

Position of Corporation. Counsels opinion to obtained. After a lengthy discussion Alderman Elcock moved, Councillor Stanley seconding, that Counsel's Opinion be obtained as to the legal position of the Corporation in regard to the Lease to the Hibernian Bank of the Tholsel premises. The same was put and carried

Councillor O'Connor thereupon withdrew his notice of motion pending Counsel's Opinion in the matter.

Death of Mr. Andrew Carnegie. Councillor Noonan proposed, Councillor Byrne seconding

"That we the Corporation of Drogheda desire to place on record an expression of sorrow and regret at the death of Mr. Andrew Carnegie, through whose philanthrophy we were enabled to provide a Free Library for this town; and that we tender to his daughter our sincere sympathy in her bereavement on the loss of her world famed father."

Passed

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~~Passed unanimously.~~

Correspondence Anti-Partition

Correspondence from the Irish Unionist Anti-Partition League, a Resolution from the Pembroke Urban Council, and letters from the Local Government Board in relation to the new Housing Bill were referred to a special Committee consisting of His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Elcock & Lyons, and Councillors Davis, O'Connor, Cullen and Callan.

Housing Committee.

Heavy Motor Cars Anti mud splashing devices

Letter ~~read~~ from Local Government Board enclosing Order requiring that all Heavy Motor Cars on public Roads be fitted with mud splashing devices so as to prevent mud or water being thrown on any person or property or upon any ~~such~~ vehicle read.

The same was adopted on the motion of Councillor O'Connor seconded by Councillor Callan.

Speed of Motor Cars.

The Town Clerk was directed to again draw the District Inspector's attention to the excessive speed at which Motor Vehicles pass through the town and to ask for a reply to the letter written him on the

Local Government (Ireland) Act 1919.

Circular letter from Local Government Board enclosing copy of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1919, and pointing out that the Board would be prepared to consider a scheme for the division of the Borough into Electoral Areas

Division of Borough into Electoral Areas

The following scheme for the division of the Borough into Electoral Areas was submitted, and it was unanimously agreed that the same should be published and forwarded to the Local Government Board for their approval:-

Electoral Areas	Contents of Electoral areas	Number of Members to be Elected for each Electoral Area		
		Aldermen	Councillors	Total
St. Lawrence Gate Ward.	That portion of the Borough lying on the north side of the River Boyne, East of Shop Street, St. Peter St. Magdalene St. Hardman's Garden & Ballymakenny Road	2	6	8
West Gate Ward	That portion of the Borough lying on the north side of the River Boyne and West of Shop St, St. Peter St, Magdalene Street, Hardman's Garden & Ballymakenny Road.	2	6	8
Dublek Gate Ward	That portion of the Borough lying South of the River Boyne	2	6	8

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The Town Clerk (pro. tem.) pointed out that if the Scheme was approved by the Local Govt. Board it would be necessary to prepare and compile from the Register based on the present wards a further Register of Electors in the proposed Electoral areas for the purpose of the forthcoming Local Government Elections in January next.

Preparation of Election Register

Ordered that the Town Clerk be empowered to incur the necessary expenses in having the new Scheme carried into effect.

Proportional Representation Order.

Circular letter from Local Government Board enclosing Proportional Representation Order relating to the Election of Members of Local Authorities under the principle of Proportional Representation read. No order made.

Circular letter from Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks' Office intimating that the proportion of surplus moneys arising from the sale of Licences under the "Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act 1865" amounted to the sum of £21:13:9, read.

Notice of Audit

Letter from E. P. McCarron Local Government Auditor, intimating that he would commence the audit of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March last on Wednesday August 27th at 11 o'c. a.m., read. No order made.

Condolence Acknowledgments.

The following acknowledgments of votes of Condolence were read and ordered to be inserted herein:-

"110, West Street, Drogheda
5th Aug. 19.

Mrs. Farrell returns her sincere thanks to the Members of the Drogheda Corporation for their kind vote of sympathy passed by them on the death of her husband. She also desires to thank Mr Carr and the other officials who joined in same."

"Cherrymount, Drogheda
19th August 1919.

Gentlemen:-

The Members of the family of the late J. B. Connolly deeply appreciate the kind vote of condolence passed by the members of the Corporation at their last meeting, and wish to express their sincere appreciation of the same as well as for their impressive tribute in attending at his funeral and Obsequies in State. Because of his long associations with the Corporation the family recognise the genuiness of their vote of sympathy. We also wish to take this opportunity of thanking His Worship the Mayor for his public expression of sympathy and high tribute paid to the late Town Clerk at the meeting of the Trades Council.

We are Gentlemen, Yours very Sincerely
J. P. Connolly, for the family.

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The following letter was read and ordered to be inserted on the minutes:-

"Curia Generalitia dei Minori Capuccini,
71 Via Boncompagni.
Roma. July 10th 1919.

To the Right Honourable M. McGovern, The Mayor of Drogheda, Ireland.

My Dear Mr. mayor,

As the Head Superior of the Capuchin Franciscan Order we beg to be permitted to express to you Mr. Mayor, and to your Municipal Council our deep appreciation of your kind and generous action in recently adopting a Petition to our Most Holy Father Pope Benedict 15th. That Petition was an earnest appeal in favour of two Irish Capuchin Priests - Father Fiacre Tobin and Father John Baptist Dowdall - members of our Order - whose cause for Canonization is at present before the Holy See. We are deeply grateful to you Mr. Mayor and to your fellow members in thus giving your valuable help and assistance in furthering the progress of the Cause.

As Brothers - members of the same Order - the interests of those Servants of God appeal to us - their honour is our honour also. To you as fellow Irish Catholics, their glory must also appeal, and that more particularly as one of them - Father John Baptist Dowdall was a native of your County and as you recall in your Petition laboured zealously for many years in your City.

Our Irish Brethren had at one period two residences in Drogheda, and though they no longer dwell amongst you we are very pleased that you have so kindly interested yourselves in this matter on their behalf.

We beg to assure you of the deep gratitude of the entire Capuchin Franciscan Order, particularly those of your own Catholic land. You shall as our Benefactors have our special prayers to bring down upon you the blessing of Almighty God. Whilst again thanking you Mr. Mayor and your Municipal Council, we pray God, through the intercession of our Seraphic Father St. Francis to bless you, your City and your native land."

Assignment

An Assignment from W. J. Skeffington to the Irish Packing Co. Ltd of premises situate at West Gate Lease no — was this day executed.

W. J. Skeffington
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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 3rd day of September 1919.

Present:-

His Worship the mayor in the Chair.
Aldermen:- S. Jordan, L. J. Elcock, T. McCullough, Peter Lyons, R. B. Moore.
Councillors: Jas Vonan, D. Reddan, J. J. Kelly, L. Stanley, T. Byrne, P. Lynch, J. Hallan, S. P. Allen, W. J. Skeffington.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund £3986: 6: 10
Public Library £ 16: 0: 0

Shops Acts Inspectors Report. Report of Shops Act Inspector relating to non-compliance by Traders with Shops Act Order on Thursday 14th August, read.

No order made.

The following report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Skeffington seconded by Councillor Callan:-

Election of Town Clerk. "Gentlemen — We have been called together to consider the position of the Office of Town Clerk rendered vacant by the death of the late J. Connolly. After careful consideration we unanimously decided to make the following recommendations for your approval, viz:-

Mr. J. Catt elected. That the Assistant Town Clerk, Mr. Joseph Carr, be promoted to the office of Town Clerk and Secretary of the Water Works Department at a commencing salary of £250 rising by annual increments of £10 to a maximum of £300, the Borough Fund to pay £200 and the Water Works Department £50 per annum.

Assistant Town Clerk Mr. T. O'Connor elected. That the present Clerk employed in the Town Clerk's Office, Mr. T. O'Connor, be officially appointed at a salary of £78 per annum, the Borough Fund to pay £39 and the Water Works Department £39 per annum.

We have also unanimously decided to recommend a bonus of £50 to Mr. Carr for carrying out the duties of Town Clerk for the past six months.

Appended is a copy letter from the Income Tax Recovery Agent setting out the amount of Repayments and allowances off your Income Tax

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Tax Accounts for the past 3 years amounting to £480: 16/- which we consider very satisfactory."

Councillor Skeffington proposed, Councillor Callan seconding "That Mr Joseph Carr be and is hereby appointed Town Clerk and Secretary of the Water Works Department, in accordance with the Report of the Law & Finance Committee, and is authorized to do all work and sign all documents appertaining to the Office of Town Clerk and Secretary Water Works Department, the salary to be fixed at £250 rising by annual increments to a maximum of £300 per annum.

Motion put and declared carried unanimously.

School Attendance Committee. Position of Secretary Vacant.

Report of School Attendance Committee requesting permission to appoint a Secretary in succession to the late Mr. Connolly at a salary of £10 per year and intimating that Mr J. Carr was appointed to act as Secretary (pro tem) read.

Ordered that the School Attendance Committee do appoint a Secretary at £10 per annum.

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor O'Connor was withdrawn he not being present to move such notice of motion.

"That the documents sent ~~to~~ by Mr. Tallan to the Council in connection with the Hibernian Bank be returned to him, with the intimation that he had no authority from or instructions from the Corporation to deal with the matter. And that a special Committee be appointed to deal with the submitting a Case to Counsel in connection with the Bank's Lease, and all the other business in connection with this transaction".

Speed of Motor Cars.

Letter from D.J. Carbery relating to the excessive speed of Motor Car passing through this town and intimating that the matter is receiving careful consideration and the Police will prosecute whenever the evidence available will warrant it, read.

No order made.

National Development Co. of Ireland Ltd. Housing. Committee appointed

Letter from the National Development Co. of Ireland Ltd. intimating that they had entered into a Contract with a powerful Trust (composed of Irish American and Scottish trustees) and have succeeded in arranging for an advance of £150,000,000 for Irish Housing, read.

A Special Committee consisting of The Mayor, Aldermen Elcock, Lyons and

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and Councillors Davis, O'Connor, Cullen and Callan, were appointed to deal with the question of Housing.

Thos R. J. Elcock

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Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 1st October 1919.

Present

Alderman L. J. Elcock in the Chair.

Councillors:- J. Berrill, J. J. Callan, J. Davis, D. Reddan, J. A. Noonan, J. S. Kelly, J. Dolan, D. Branigan & T. V. MacQuillan.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. — Payments ordered - Borough Fund £ 727: 4: 5
Public Library £ 4: 10: 8

Minutes. Law & Finance Committee — The Minutes of the Law & Finance Committee from 9th July to 24th September inclusive were approved on the motion of Councillor J. Callan seconded by Councillor Noonan, the paragraph of Minute 9th July relating to Lease to Hibernian Bank being deleted. Councillor Berrill was taken as dissenting to the portion of the Minutes relating to Lease to W. McHugh of premises, Georges Street.

Hibernian Bank Lease. ✓ — Copy of Counsel's Opinion relating to ~~Lease~~ the granting of a Lease to Hibernian Bank of Tholsel premises was read.

As Councillor O'Connor postponed a notice of motion pending Counsel's Opinion in the matter, no action was taken.

Water Works Committee, Minutes — The Minutes of the Water Works Committee from 13th August to 17th September inclusive were adopted on the motion of Councillor Noonan seconded by Councillor T. V. MacQuillan.

Minutes Gas Works Committee — The Minutes of the Gas Works Committee from 7th July to 2nd September inclusive were approved on the motion of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Reddan.

Report School Attendance Committee. J. Carr appointed Secretary ✓ — Report of School Attendance Committee recommending the appointment of Mr. J. Carr as Secretary at a salary of £10 per annum read.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Noonan

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Noonan seconded by Councillor Reddan

Price of Gas. ✓ — Letter from Local Government Board intimating that they had given instructions for the making of the necessary order under the Statutory Undertakings (temporary increase of Charges) Act, 1918, furthering increasing to 7/- per thousand cubic feet the price to be charged for Gas, read.

Ordered that such price take effect as and from the 1st October inst.

Housing Scheme. ✓ — Circular letter from Local Government Board (Housing Department) setting out certain dates definitely laid down in connection with the granting of the Exchequer subsidy for the Housing Scheme, read.

The Town Clerk explained that the Borough Surveyor was preparing new Lay Out Plans in accordance with recent instructions received from the Local Government Board.

Special Committee Appointed — Councillor Kelly thereupon proposed Councillor Davis seconding - That the Medical Superintendent Officer of Health and Medical Officers, the Sub Sanitary Officer and Executive Sanitary Officer be directed to assist the Special Committee in obtaining such information as is necessary for the purpose of completing the Housing Scheme for Drogheda.

Motion put and declared carried unanimously.

Councillor Davis proposed Councillor McQuillan seconding "That this Council desires to put on record their objection to the difference made between the English and Irish Bills with reference to the liability of Public Bodies to meet the difference in the economic and reasonable rents, and request that the financial clauses of the English Bill be applied to Ireland limiting the rate to one penny to meet above difference."

The same was put and declared carried unanimously.

Proportional Representation. ✓ — Circular letter from the Proportional Representation Society of Ireland suggesting that immediate application be made to the Local Government Board for the expert assistance offered in their circular letter of the 5th August with reference to the new method of Election under P. R. read.

Model Election — The Town Clerk was directed to write the L. G. B. requesting them to send experts to demonstrate the new method of Election to the public in General.

The Report of the Local Government Auditor, Mr E. P. McCarron, upon his audit of the Accounts

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Accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for year ending 31st March 1919 was read.

No order made.

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Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- S. Jordan.

Councillors:- J. A. C. Noonan, L. Stanley, T. V. MacQuillan, J. Davis, A. J. MacQuillan, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor, J. J. Callan, W. T. Skeffington, P. Lynch, S. P. Cullen, J. S. Kelly.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments.

Payments ordered - Borough Fund £1352: 1: 4
Public Library 4: 10: 8

Mr. Thomas Monks, George's Street, was presented by His Worship the Mayor with the Royal Humane Society's Testimonial for saving from drowning in the River Boyne a young boy named McCabe.

Auditor's Report.

The Report of the Local Government Auditor upon his audit of the Accounts for year ending 31st March last was submitted.

On the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Berrill it was unanimously decided to have the Report printed and circulated.

Housing Scheme

A Report of the Town Clerk and Borough Surveyor upon the proposed Housing Scheme was read and adopted.

Upon their request it was unanimously agreed to increase the subscription to the Association of Municipal Authorities from £2: 2: to £5: 5: 0

Report of Gas Works Committee

The following report of the Gas Works Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor O'Connor seconded by Councillor Stanley:-

Increase in Wages.

"At a meeting of above Committee held at Gas Works on October 1st last, the application of John O'Neill Gasfitter for an increase in wages was considered, and it was unanimously decided that he get an increase of 10/- per week, same to start following week.

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At the same meeting it was unanimously decided that in future a Rental of 2/6 per Quarter be charged on all new Cookers sent out.

William Byrne Rental Clerk.

William Byrne was employed as Rental Clerk in place of L. Williams at £2 per week, as per instructions given to Secretary on Oct. 7th and William Byrne took up his duties on the following Monday.

Gasworks Accounts to be audited by a Chartered Accountant

Arising out of suggestions from Local Government Board Auditor re Gasworks Dept. we recommend that all of the Gas Works accounts be fully audited by a Chartered Accountant so as to leave them ready for resumption of Audit by L. G. B. Auditor at earliest possible date."

Lease sealed, Laurence Stanley. ✓

A Lease was this day sealed unto Laurence Stanley of premises on the north side of West Street for a term of 75 years at the yearly rent of £15.

Surcharge. ✓

Read letter from Local Government Board enclosing Order remitting surcharge of £3: 5: 0 made against Alderman L. J. Elcock by L. G. Auditor at his recent audit of the Accounts for year ending 31st March 1919. No order made.

Price of Gas. ✓

Copy Order by Local Government Board under the (Statutory Undertakings temporary increase of Charges) Act, 1918, substituting in Section 11 of the Drogheda (Corporation) Gas Act 1898 7/- for 5/6 as the maximum charge per 1000 c.ft. for Gas. No order made.

Profiteering Act.

Letter from Board of Trade and Resolution from Drogheda Trades Council requesting the appointment of a Local Committee under the Profiteering Act, read.

Committee to be appointed

Councillor Noonan proposed, Councillor O'Connor seconding - "That the necessary steps be taken to put the provisions of the Profiteering Act, 1919, in operation in the Borough of Drogheda; that a Committee be appointed as follows for the purposes of the Act - The Mayor and Town Clerk and that the following bodies be invited to nominate a representative to act on this Committee - Chamber of Commerce, Irish National Foresters, A. O. H, Sinn Fein Club and Trades Council".

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The same was put and declared carried unanimously.

Sale of Delph in Markets.

A memorial signed by Traders in the Hardware and Ironmongery trade requesting that the sale of Delph, China, &c. taking place in any of the Borough markets on market days be discontinued was read.

No order made.

Resolution re establishment of an Asylum in County Louth

Resolution from Louth Labour Association urging the establishment of an Asylum in County Louth read.

Councillor W. T. Skeffington proposed Councillor T. V. McQuillan seconding - "That we, the Corporation of the Borough of Drogheda, approve of the scheme formulated by the Louth County Council, for the establishment of a Lunatic Asylum for County Louth patients at Ardee, as we are convinced the Scheme will be a benefit to the County, and a great convenience to the friends and relatives of the patients".

The same was put and carried unanimously.

Division of Borough for Election.

Communication from Local Government Board intimating that the Board had adopted the scheme of the Corporation for the division of the Borough into Electoral areas, read. No order made.

Model P. R. Election. ✓

Letter from Local Government Board intimating that such moderate expenses as may be reasonably incurred in holding an experimental P. R. Election may be deemed to be part of their Election expenses, read.

It was unanimously decided to arrange for the holding of a model P. R. Election as soon as possible.

Heavy Motor Cars Mud splashing. ✓

The Town Clerk was directed to draw the District Inspector's attention to the fact that heavy motor vehicles passing through town were not supplied with mud splashing devices.

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Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- P. Lyons, P.J. Moore.
Councillors:- D. Reddan, T.V. McQuillan, F. Byrne, J. Davis, J. Berrill, C. O'Connor, D. Branigan, J.J. Callan, L.P. Cullen.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments — Payments ordered - Borough Fund £328: 13: 4
Public Library £ 22: 19: 0

Bank Officials. Threatened Strike. Resolution re.

His Worship the Mayor proposed, Councillor T.V. McQuillan seconding:- "That we the members of the Drogheda Corporation view with alarm the threatened strike of Bank Officials, which is due to take place today, as it is bound to paralize the commercial life of the country, and add to the many causes of unrest which at present threatens the best interests of those for whom the Banking world cater. We therefore respectfully point out that the refusal of the Directors to concede official recognition to the Banking Association is not alone opposed to the methods adopted by employers and governments alike, but it is also in direct opposition to the attitude which many of the Directors employ in dealing with their own private undertakings. We consider that the offer of the Lord Chancellor provides an honourable means of averting the threatened strike, and we call upon the Directors of the various Banks to submit the question to arbitration".

The same was put and declared carried unanimously.

Report. ✓

A Report of the Manager, Gas Works Department, on the shutting off of Gas Supply to the Town on the 26th instant was read and unanimously adopted.

Auditor's Report.

The Report of the Local Government Auditor upon his audit of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 1919 submitted.

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In connection with the paragraph in the Report dealing with Car Licences, it was agreed to ask the Car Inspector for an explanation of his failure to submit his annual Report.

The consideration of the Report was adjourned pending the completion of the Audit of the Accounts of the Gas Works Department.

Coal Prices

A Report of the Committee appointed to fix Coal Prices for Drogheda was read and unanimously adopted.

Price of Coal.

Letter read from Coal Controller intimating that the Order reducing by 10/- per ton the price of Coal for Domestic and Household purposes came into operation on and after the 1st December instant.

A Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor O'Connor in relation to the appointment of a Committee under the Profiteering Act was withdrawn.

A lengthy communication from the Drogheda Sinn Fein Club pointing out the profits made by the English Government in certain classes of Foodstuffs etc. and declining to appoint a representative on the Profiteering Committee until the Government were compelled to stop profiteering themselves, read. No order made.

Leases sealed

The following Leases and Memorials for Registration were this day sealed:-

Mrs K. Malone ✓ (1.) Unto Mrs Kate Malone of West Street, Drogheda, of House, Shop and premises on the South side of West Street for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1919 at the yearly rent of £30.

Messrs Cahill & Co. ✓ (2.) Unto Messrs Cahill & Co. of premises known as the Linen Hall on the South side of Linenhall Street for a term of 99 years from the 25th March 1919 at the yearly rent of £35.

Letting of Sloblands to Rowing Club. ✓

An Agreement between the Drogheda Harbour Commissioners and the Corporation of Drogheda (Joint owners) with the Trustees of the Drogheda Rowing Club for a letting to the latter as Tenants at will of portion of the Sloblands premises lying to the East of the Rowing Club Boat House at the yearly rent of 7/- was this day executed.

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Letter from Drogheda Trades Council applying for additional Lamps to be lighted at Greenhills, read.

The same was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Application from Officials for Civil Service Scale of War Bonuses.

An application from the following Officials to have the Civil Service Scale of War Bonuses applied, read:-

J. Carr, Town Clerk; T. J. Delahunty, Borough Surveyor; P. P. Keeley, Borough Treasurer; J. J. Burke, E.S.O; P. Weldon, S.I.O &c; James J. McQuillan, Rate Collector; P. Tarvey, Sergeant-at-mace; T. O'Connor, Assistant Town Clerk; P. Shanley, School Attendance Officer and Gas Inspector; P. J. Fitzpatrick, Manager & Secretary, Gas Works Dept. and C. McNamara, Librarian.

Application Granted.

Councillor Berrill moved, Councillor Cullen seconding, - "that the Civil Service Scale of War Bonuses as set out in the Local Government Board's Circulars be applied to the Officials of the Council making application".

The same was put and carried unanimously.

L.G.B. approval of Arrears & Irrecoverables

Letter from Local Government Board intimating that they approved the Rate Collector's lists of Arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for the half-year ending 30th September last, read. No order made.

Circular Letter from Housing Department, Local Government Board in relation to the types of Houses to be built under new Housing schemes read. No order made.

Letter from Housing Department L.G.B. intimating that Mr. T. J. Delahunty has been included in the Panel of Architects qualified for employment by Local Authorities for the purpose of Housing Schemes, read.

Letter from District Inspector, R.I.C. intimating that the Police had warned owners of Heavy Motor Vehicles to have Mud splashers fitted, read. No order made.

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Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at six o'clock in the afternoon on Thursday the 18th December 1919.

To consider the action of the Clerical Staff of Gas Works in going on strike, and to take such steps in connection therewith as may be deemed advisable.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- P. Drew.
Councillors:- L. P. Cullen, J. S. Kelly, J. A. Noonan, D. Branigan, T. Byrne, L. Stanley, C. O'Connor, J. Berrill.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Councillor Byrne withdraws from meeting.

Exception being taken to Councillor Byrne's presence, having regard to the fact that his Son was one of the officials implicated in the Strike, he withdrew from the meeting.

Report of Gas Works Committee re strikes of Clerical staff.

A Report of the Gas Works Committee dealing with the action of the Clerical staff in leaving their employment without notice, together with copy letter of explanation of William Byrne and copy of joint application for increase in wages was read.

New staff to be appointed

After a lengthy discussion Councillor Noonan proposed, Councillor O'Connor seconding — "That advertisements be inserted in the local press for a Rental Clerk, Collector of Gas Accounts, and Delivery Clerk, in room of the men Gorman (2) and Byrne, who left this Council's employment at the Gas Works without notice; and that pending these appointments the Gas Manager be empowered to make such arrangements as may be necessary for the carrying out of these duties".

Councillor Stanley moved as an amendment that John Gorman, Delivery Clerk, be re-instated; Councillor Cullen seconded.

On a division As only the proposer and seconder of the amendment voted in its favour, the ~~Res~~ motion was put and carried Councillor Stanley and Cullen voting against the motion.

It was unanimously agreed to fix the wages of the Delivery Clerk at 35/- per week; Rental Clerk at £2 per week, and salary of Gas

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Gas Collector at £100 per annum, the Rental Clerk and Gas Collector to enter into a Bond for £500 each with a Guarantee Society.

Thos J Elcock

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January 7th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Courthouse at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on Wednesday the 7th day of January, 1920.

Present:-

Alderman Th. J. Elcock - in the Chair

Aldermen:- S. Jordan

Councillors:- J. Moonan, J.S. Kelly, D. Reddan, L. Stanley, S.P. Cullen, J. Davis, J. Dolan, A.J. MacQuillan, J. Berrill, P. Lynch, J. Callan, B. O'Connor, D. Branigan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments — Payments ordered - Borough Fund £685: 11: 5
Public Library 4: 10: 8

The Minutes of the Law & Finance Committee from the 14th October to the 17th December inclusive were adopted, the following words in the Minute of the 29th October (page 3) relating to the transaction of the legal work of the Council being deleted "all the legal work of the Corporation"; and the words "those immediate prosecutions" inserted.

The Minutes of the Water Works Committee of the 15th October, and of the Gas Works Committee from the 15th September to the 16th December inclusive were unanimously approved.

Hibernian Banking Co. / Minute of Law & Finance Committee of 23rd April Approved.

The Minute of the Law & Finance Committee of the 23rd April 1919, which was adjourned at the Quarterly meeting in October, dealing with the Lease to the Hibernian Banking Co. of the Tholsel premises, was under consideration.

Councillor Moonan proposed and Councillor Kelly seconded that the Minute be expunged.

Councillor Davis moved as an amendment, Councillor Lynch seconding that the Minute of the Law & Finance Committee of the 23rd April be and is hereby approved.

On a division there voted: ~~for~~:-

For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
Aldermen:- Jordan	Alderman - Elcock
Councillors:- Cullen, Branigan, Davis, A.J. MacQuillan, Dolan, Stanley & Lynch (8)	Councillors:- Moonan, Kelly, Reddan, Callan, Berrill, and O'Connor (7)

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The amendment was declared carried

Collector of Gas Accounts appointed

Only one application, that of James Rice, 2, King St. Drogheda, being received for the position of Collector of Gas Accounts, he was unanimously appointed on the motion of Councillor A.J. McQuillan seconded by Councillor Kelly.

Applications of Mr. A. McIntyre, Dublin Road, and Charles McAlester, 24, Magdalene St. for the position of Rental Clerk, Gas Works Dept. read.

Rental Clerk appointed

On the motion of Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor Noonan Mr. C. McAlester was unanimously appointed as Rental Clerk.

Applications of Edward Greene, Francis McKeogh, Joseph Byrne, Thomas Murray and John Gorman for the position of Delivery Clerk in the Gas Works Dept. read.

Delivery Clerk

Mr. John Gorman was unanimously appointed on the motion of Councillor Stanley, seconded by Councillor Kelly.

Surcharge.

Letter from the Local Government Board enclosing Order sustaining Surcharge amounting to £4440: 1: 6 for Coal purchased and re-sold by the Gas Works Dept, read.

Letter from E. P. McCarron, L.G. Auditor, intimating that all amounts which have been properly contributed by the Gas Works Dept. in respect of Coal purchased would be allowed towards payment of the Surcharge, read. No order made.

Explanation of Car Inspector in relation to the furnishing of his annual Report read. No order made.

Mr. Patrick Byrne, Pitch Hill, was appointed a Member on the Profiteering Committee

Lease

The following Leases and Memorials for Registration were this day duly executed:-

Unto Drogheda Chemical Manure Co

(1) Unto the Drogheda Chemical Manure Co Ltd. of small bit of garden being portion of Gas Works premises, for a term of 75 years from the 29th September 1919 at the yearly rent of £2: 10s. with a Covenant that should the demised premises be required for the purpose of Gas or Electrical extensions possession shall be given up on six months notice in writing.

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J.J. Sheils, Jas. St.

(2) Unto John Joseph Sheils of James's St. Drogheda, of a Store situate on the east side of Graves lane for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1919 at the yearly rent of £10, with a coverant reserving a right-of-way to premises, the property of the Corporation, at the rere of Mr. Sheil's Store

Drogheda Ironworks Co

(3) Unto the Drogheda Ironworks Co. Ltd of premises on the east side of Graves lane, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1919 at the yearly rent of £12 with permission to the use of a right-of-way through Mr. Sheil's Store.

Ed McArdle, West St.

(4) Unto Edward Mc. Ardle of West Street Drogheda, of a Store and Yard situate on the north side of Bachelors Lane and west of High Lane for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1919 at the yearly rent of £1: 10s. covenants to expend the sum of £50 upon improvements.

Messrs Galbraith Ltd.

(5.) Unto messrs Galbraith Ltd. of Stores and Stables on the north side of Beaverwell Lane for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1919 at the yearly rent of £22: 10s.

Chas. McKenny.

(6) Unto Charles McKenny of Bayview, Drogheda, of part of the lands of Legavooren with dwellinghouse and Outoffices for a term of 75 years from the 29th September 1919 at the yearly rent of £40.

John P. O'Brien

(7) Unto John P. O'Brien of Sunnyside Cottage, Drogheda, of dwellinghouse and garden situate at Legavooren for a term of 75 years from the 29th September 1919 at the yearly rent of £10 covenants to expend the sum of £350 upon alterations and improvements.

Mrs. R. McQuillan

(8.) Unto Mrs. Rose McQuillan of Patrick Street, Drogheda, of a dwelling House on the west side of George's Street, for a term of 75 years from the 29th September 1919 at the yearly rent of £1.

Agreement with Drogheda Advertising Co.

An Agreement with the Drogheda Advertising Co Ltd. for a letting to them of the Hoarding on the south side of the Dublin Road at the yearly rent of £7: 10s. was this day executed and Sealed.

Agreements

The Seal of the Corporation was affixed to Agreements with John Dolan and William P. Cairnes for the letting of Lands to the Corporation at Hardman's Garden and Legavooren for allotment purposes to the 1st November 1920.

The Seal of the Corporation was affixed to a Memorial to the Local Government Board for praying for sanction to a Joint Conveyance to the Harbour Commissioners and the Corporation of a narrow strip of Land along the Mornington Road adjoining the reclaimed portion of the Sloblands.

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Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Friday the 30th day of January, 1920 at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon.

Present:-

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor M. McGowan) - in the Chair
Aldermen:- J.E. murphy, J.M.cDonnell, T. Halpin, P. Monahan.
B.E. Allen, J.M. Stanley
Councillors:- P. Carroll, F. Bateson, Thos. Carroll, D. Reddan,
J. Fitzhenry, J. Davis, J.B. Thornhill, R. Webster,
H. Balfe, P. McCann, L.J. Elcock, P. McNamara,
R. Murdock, T. McCabe, E. Mullen, J.J. Callan,
E. Rooney.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Election of Mayor. 1920-21. — Alderman J.E. murphy proposed, Alderman McDonnell seconding - That Alderman Philip Monahan be elected Mayor for the year ending 30th January, 1921.

The motion being put from the Chair he was declared elected unanimously.

Alderman P. Monahan elected ✓ — Alderman Monahan having made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office was invested with the Chain of Office by the outgoing Mayor. He thereupon took the Chair.

A vote of thanks to the out-going Mayor (Councillor McGowan) was proposed by Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Elcock, and passed unanimously.

Council and Committee meetings Date and time of. — Pursuant to Notice of Motion, Alderman Murphy moved "That in future the meetings of the Council be held at 7.30 o'clock in the afternoon on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month, commencing on Tuesday the 3rd February 1920. That the meetings of the Sanitary Authority be held on the 2nd Tuesday of each Month at 7.30 p.m.

And that all Committee meetings of the Council be held at 7.30 ~~p.m.~~ o'clock in the afternoon."

Councillor McCann having seconded, the motion was put and

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and declared carried unanimously.

Alderman Murphy moved Councillor McCabe seconding "That the remaining Quarterly meetings of the Council be held ~~on~~ at 7.30 p.m. on the 6th April, 6th July and 5th October"

Motion put and declared carried unanimously.

Election of Committees 1921. ✓ — The following Committees were appointed for the year ending 30th January, 1921:-

Bye-laws & Markets Committee:-
His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- J.M. Stanley, J.M.cDonnell.
Councillors:- P. Carroll, H. Balfe, E. Mullen, T. McCabe, R. Webster, R. Murdock.

Law & Finance Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- J.M.cDonnell, J.E. Murphy, B.E. Allen.
Councillors:- P. McCann, J. Fitzhenry, E. Rooney, J.C. Thornhill, J. Davis

Gas Works Committee:
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- T. Halpin, J.E. murphy.
Councillors:- P. Carroll, P. McCann, E. Rooney, J.C. Thornhill, R. Murdock, R. Webster.

Water Works Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J.M.cDonnell, T. Halpin.
Councillors:- F. Bateson, P. McNamara, E. Mullen, T. McCabe, T.V. MacQuillan, R. Murdock.

Allotments Committee:-
His Worship the mayor.
Councillors:- P. McNamara, H. Balfe, T. McCabe, E. Mullen.

Housing Committee:-
His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- J.M.cDonnell, J.E. Murphy, B.E. Allen.
Councillors:- ~~J. Callan~~ T. Carroll, J. Fitzhenry, E. Rooney, T. McCabe, J. Davis.

School Attendance Committee:-
His Worship the mayor.

Aldermen:-

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Aldermen:- T. Halpin

Councillors:- P. McNamara, J. McCabe, J. V. MacQuillan.

The consideration of the appointment of Members of the Profiteering Act Committee, the Technical Instruction & Public Library Committee and Old Age Pensions Committee was adjourned to the next meeting of the Council pending a return of the attendances of the "added" members.

T. O'Murnaghan
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February 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, upon Tuesday the 3rd day of February, 1920, at 7.30 p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monaghan).

Aldermen:- J. McDonnell, J. E. Murphy, T. Halpin, B. E. Allen, J. McStanley

Councillors:- T. Carroll, J. Fitzsimon, F. Bateson, P. Carroll, P. McCann, J. Davis, H. Thornhill, R. Murdock, L. J. Elcock, D. Reddan, J. V. MacQuillan, R. Webster, J. Ballan, H. Balfe, E. Rooney, J. McCabe, E. Mullen, P. McNamara.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. — Payments ordered - Borough Fund £912-10-9

Public Library £4-10-8

Alderman Murphy moved, and Councillor T. Carroll, seconded the Suspension of the Standing Orders to allow Alderman Stanley to move his Notice of Motion. The motion was put and carried unanimously.

Motor Permit Regulations Resolution re.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion, Alderman Stanley moved:-

"That this Council, elected under Proportional Representation, and representative of all classes of the community, calls for the withdrawal of the Motor Permit regulations as ~~subsers~~ subversive of the best interests of Irish trade and commerce." And that this Resolution be forwarded to every public body in Ireland for adoption."

Councillor E. Rooney having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

It was unanimously agreed to confirm the action of the Law & Finance Committee in applying to the Bank of Ireland for temporary accommodation on the Borough Fund Acc. in the sum of £2000 to the 30th June next.

A Return of attendances of the "added" members at the Technical Instruction & Public Library Committee and Old age Pensions Committee for the past 12 months was read.

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The following were appointed as members on the:-
Technical Instruction & Public Library Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- J.M. Stanley, B.E. Allen.
Councillors:- J. Fitzhenry, T. Carroll, P. McCann, E. Mullen.
Rt. Rev. Monsignor P. Segrave, Vy. Rev. J. Nulty, P.P.; Rev. Chancellor L.P.T. Ledoux; Rev. T.R. Brunskill; messrs M.A. Casey and J.A.C. Noonan.
Old Age Pensions Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor.
Councillors:- F. Bateson, T. Carroll, T. McCabe, J. Davis, L.J. Elcock.
Rt. Rev. Monsignor P. Segrave; Vy. Rev. J. ~~Fly~~ Nulty P.P.; Rev. Chancellor L.P.T. Ledoux; Rev. T.R. Brunskill.
Profiteering Act Committee:-
Councillors:- E. Mullen, T. McCabe, J. Davis.
Robert Reilly, Patrick Smith, Patrick Byrne.
Mrs. MacKittrick, Miss K. Kenny and Miss McNally.

Execution of Lease to Hibernian Bank referred back to Law & Finance Committee

Councillor Thornhill proposed, Alderman Murphy seconding - that the matter of the execution of the Lease of Tholsel premises to Hibernian Bank be referred back to the Law & Finance Committee for investigation as this Council has evidently a responsibility in the matter and has had no opportunity of exercising its judgment in the case.

The same was put and declared carried unanimously

Matters disposed of by various committees to be reported at ensuing Council meeting

Pursuant to Notice of motion Alderman Murphy moved - "That the practice of having the Minutes of Committees considered at the Quarterly meetings of the Council be discontinued, and that instead, all matters finally disposed of by the various Committees be reported to the first meeting of the Council held after the final disposal of such business." And that all resolutions to the contrary be and are hereby rescinded".

Councillor Callan having seconded the motion was put and carried unanimously.

A Notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Webster was ruled out of order by His Worship the Mayor.

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A Letter from the Local Government Board in relation to the application of Gas Works Committee for increase in price of gas and a loan to re-construct Works was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

An application from H. Pritchard, 36, William Street, Drogheda for Hackney Carriage License was unanimously acceded to.

P. O'Murnaigh
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February 13th

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 7.30 o'clock p.m. on Friday the 13th February 1920.

To consider application from Employees in Gas Works and Cleansing Departments for increase in wages and reduction of working hours.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, I. Halpin, Jul. McDonnell, B.E. Allen, Jul. Stanley
Councillors:- J. Carroll, F. Bateson, P. Carroll, J. Fitzhenry, H. Balfe, R. Murdock, J. Davis, H. Thornhill, R. Webster, L.J. Elcock, J.J. Kellar, E. Mullen, E. Rooney, J. McCabe, P. McCann, J. MacQuillan, D. Reddan, P. McNamara.

Two representatives from the Dock Labourers Union were present.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Application of Corporation Workmen for increase in wages.

A Joint application from the Irish Transport & General Workers' Union and National Union of Dock Labourers for 8/- per week increase in wages with a 44 hour working week for Employees in Cleansing Department was read.

An application from the National Union of Dock Labourers for 10/- per week increase in wages and time and a half for Sunday work for Stokers in Gas Works Department was read.

In reply to a question Councillor Rooney stated he was authorized to mention that the demand for increase in wages of Gas Works employees affected the Yardmen as well as the Stokers.

Matter to be submitted to Arbitration

After a lengthy discussion Councillor Davis moved and Alderman Halpin seconded - "That we ask our Employees to submit their claims to Arbitration by the Ministry of Labour"

The same was put and declared carried unanimously.

The Representative ~~in the Case~~ of the National Union of Dock Labourers stated that the men in the Gas Works would not agree to Arbitration

P. O'Murnaghan
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17th February.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday the 17th day of February 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, Jul. McDonnell, I. Halpin, B.E. Allen, Jul. Stanley
Councillors:- J. Fitzhenry, P. Carroll, H. Balfe, P. McCann, J. Davis, H. Thornhill, R. Murdock, D. Reddan, J. MacQuillan, L.J. Elcock, R. Webster, J.J. Kellar, E. Mullen, J. McCabe, P. McNamara, E. Rooney.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
Wages.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages sheet examined and passed.

Arbitration proceedings. Mayor to represent the Council.

His Worship the Mayor intimated that the Employees in the Cleansing & Gas Works Departments had agreed to arbitration by the Ministry of Labour, and that the Arbitration proceedings would take place on Thursday the 19th instant.

It was unanimously agreed to appoint His Worship the Mayor to represent the Corporation at the Arbitration proceedings.

Committee appointed to meet Harbour Board re letting of Hollands.

Letter read from Secretary, Harbour Commissioners, requesting a Committee to be appointed to meet the members of the Harbour Board to discuss the question of the letting of the reclaimed portion of the Hollands and the conveying jointly of the narrow strip of land along the Mornington Road.

On the motion of Councillor Elcock seconded by Councillor MacQuillan, the following were appointed to act on the Joint Committee:-
The Mayor, Aldermen, B.E. Allen, J.E. Murphy, Councillors, E. Rooney, J. Fitzhenry & J. Davis

The following report was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor J. Fitzhenry.

"Report of Law & Finance Committee

Gentlemen,

We have held two meetings since our appointment. The financial position of the Borough Fund was discussed and a statement of Estimated Receipts and Expenditure to the 31st March next submitted which

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which showed that there would be a debit balance at the end of the financial year of about £1365. Having regard to the fact that the Rate Collector could not start collecting the new Rate until the 1st June it was decided to ask the Bank of Ireland for temporary accommodation of £2000 until 30th June next.

An application was received from the Exors. of the late William Bannon to assign their interest to Mr. Peter Downey, Waterunder, of premises on the south side of West Street, Lease no. 1355. We recommend you to accede to the application.

Purchase of Mrs Tiernan's interest in field at Crushrod Lane.

We had under consideration the purchase of Mrs. B. Tiernan's interest for the sum of £180 of field at Crushrod Lane presently used as a Manure Depot. Mrs. Tiernan holds under a Lease for 31 years from the 5th July 1900, at £6:6:0 per annum from Mr. B.R. T. Balfour of Townley Hall. The area of the field is 3ac 1rd 29per (statute) and the Lease has 11 years of the an unexpired term. As Mrs. Tiernan obtained an Ejectment Decree against the Corporation for this field, and in view of the fact that it would be very difficult to obtain another site for a Manure Depot, we recommend you to purchase Mrs. Tiernan's interest for the sum of £180.

We have agreed to allow Mrs. Rose ~~Tiernan~~ McQuillan to sell her interest in a house on the west side of Georges St., Lease No. 1397.

Suit of clothes for Mace Bearer.

An application was received from P. Garvey for suit of clothes allowed him as Mace Bearer. We have agreed to accede to the application.

Copy of Vanstons L.G. Supplement for Town Clerk's office.

The Town Clerk made application to purchase a copy of Vanston's Local Government Supplement, price 50/-. We recommend that a copy of this book be purchased for the Town Clerk's Office.

We have under consideration property out of Lease and applications for renewal of Leases. As soon as negotiations with the tenants regarding rent and tenure have been completed a detailed report will be submitted in due course.

Dated 9th February 1920

P. Monahan, Chairman"

Borough Treasurer to report all property ~~rep~~ reverting to the Corporation.

Pursuant to notice of Motion, Alderman Murphy moved:- "That the Borough Treasurer do report to the Council and to the Borough Surveyor, at least 8 months in advance, all property reverting

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reverting into the hands of the Council through expiration of Lease. That within 8 weeks subsequent to the receipt of the aforesaid report the Borough Surveyor do inspect such property and furnish the Council with a detailed report on state of same.

And that all Resolutions to the contrary be and are hereby rescinded."

Councillor Thornhill having seconded the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Bank of Ireland. temporary loan of £2000

Letter read from Bank of Ireland, in reply to application for temporary accommodation of £2000 on Borough Fund A/c, requesting confirmation of the following Resolution:-

"That we hereby undertake to strike such a rate in the Estimates for the year ending, March 1921, as to cover the deficiency in the Gas Works Revenue A/c, and such a rate for the Borough Fund account as will meet the full expenses for the current year."

On the motion of Councillor Callan, seconded by Alderman Murphy the Resolution was unanimously confirmed.

Public Lighting. Additional lamps.

Councillor Thornhill moved, Councillor Davis seconding, "That the Council direct the Gas Committee to supply 20 additional Lamps for public lighting at their earliest convenience".

Motion put and carried unanimously.

Ordered that the Secretary of the Old Age Pensions Committee and of the School Attendance Committee do summon a meeting of their respective Committees to decide upon a suitable hour of meeting in future.

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March 2nd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 7.30 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 2nd day of March 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J. McDonnell, T. Halpin, J. M. Stanley, B. E. Allen
Councillors:- T. Carroll, J. Fitzhenry, T. Bateson, P. McCann
J. C. Thornhill, R. Murdock, D. Reddan, E. Mullen,
T. W. McQuillan, R. Webster, J. J. Callan, L. J. Elcock,
P. Carroll, T. McCabe, J. Davis, P. McNamara,

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments.
Payments ordered - Borough Fund £4372: 10: 5
Public Library £ 27: 15: 7.

Auditors Report.
On the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Fitzhenry the Report of the Local Government Auditor upon his audit of the Accounts for year ending 31st March 1919 was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Accounts of Gas Works Chartered Accountants Report.
It was unanimously agreed on the motion of Councillor Fitzhenry seconded by Alderman Halpin to refer the Report of the Chartered Accountants upon the Accounts of the Gas Works Dept to the 31st March 1919, to the Gas Works Committee.

Read Report of Law & Finance Committee as follows:
"Gentlemen —

Lease to Hibernian Bank. 75 years at a yearly rent of £400
We had under consideration the question of the granting of a new Lease to the Hibernian Banking Co. of the Tholsel premises. Your Committee took the view that a rent of £250 per annum - the rent previously offered - was inadequate having regard to the present day letting value of premises in Drogheda. We offered to accept a surrender of the present Lease and to grant a new one for 75 years from the 25th March next at the yearly rent of £400, which offer the Banking Co. agreed to. The Lease will be submitted for execution by you on the 2nd proximo and we recommend you to execute the Lease to the Banking Co. on the terms set out above.

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We recommend you to assent to an Assignment from George H. Daly to Thomas Kelly, Twenties (Lease no. 995) of plot of ground situate at the Twenties.

Domestic scavenging
We had under consideration the paragraph in the Annual Report of the M. S. O. H. dealing with domestic scavenging. We directed the Borough Surveyor to take steps to prevent the occupier of houses from throwing refuse out on the streets. We also directed the Borough Surveyor to submit a scheme for an improved system of domestic scavenging for the town.

Cleansing of Ashpits
In view of the fact that no provision was made in the last Rate Estimates for the cleansing, free of charge, of Ashpits, we decided to postpone the consideration of this question until the Rate Estimates for the ensuing year were being considered.

Mr. Tallan to proceed against the Murphy Submarine Pipe Line Co. Ltd.
We have instructed Mr. P. Tallan, Solicitor, to proceed against the Murphy Submarine & Pipe Line Co. Ltd. for possession of the Old Jail premises with a view to letting them for industrial purposes.

Dated 23rd February, 1920.

P. Monahan, Chairman

Councillor Davis moved and Councillor Fitzhenry seconded that the Report be adopted.

Councillor Elcock moved as an amendment, Councillor McQuillan seconding - that the first paragraph in the Report dealing with the Lease to the Hibernian Bank of the Tholsel premises be deleted.

On a show of hands 3 voted for the amendment and 16 against.

The amendment was declared lost and the Report adopted.

Report of Housing Committee referred back.
On the motion of Alderman McDonnell seconded by Councillor P. Carroll the Report of the Housing Committee dealing with the proposed new Housing Scheme was referred back to the Housing Committee for further consideration.

The following Report of the Joint Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Alderman Allen

"Gentlemen,

Sloblands. Lease.
The Committee appointed by you at last Council meeting met the Members of the Harbour Board on the 20th inst. to discuss the question of the letting of the narrow strip of Land on the southern boundary of the reclaimed Sloblands and adjoining the Mornington Road.

From their letter it is quite apparent the Local Government Board would not consent to an Assignment of the Corporation's portion of the Land without

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without a consideration, and after discussing the matter fully it was agreed to recommend the Council to grant a Lease to the Harbour Commissioners for say 200 years at 3/32d part of whatever rent the Harbour Commissioners receive for the letting of the Land in question.

Dated 20th February 1920.

P. Monahan, Chairman".

Profiteering Act Committee matter dropped.

A Report of the Profiteering Act Committee intimating that in view of the fact that the Act will expire in May next, and that to carry out the work of the Committee efficiently it would be necessary to appoint a whole time Secretary and Inspector it was unanimously decided not to proceed further with the matter, was adopted on the motion of Councillor McCabe Seconded by Councillor Davis.

Report of Gas Works Committee read as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

Report of Gas Works Committee.

We have had five meetings since our appointment. We have examined the works and considered in detail the Report of the Chartered Accountants who investigated the affairs of the Company at the suggestion of the Local Government ~~Board~~ Auditor. The Works we found to be in a most dilapidated condition. The Committee feels it could not accept responsibility for the future of the concern without securing at first a Report from an independent expert on the condition in which the Works were handed over. It is therefore decided to ask the Local Government Board to appoint a qualified person to make such report. Pending such a report the Committee is of opinion that it would be useless to deal further with the letter from the L.G.B. which you referred to them.

In considering the Accountant's Report we found that all its recommendations had been acted upon by the Manager as far as possible. The question of "unaccounted for Gas" was under consideration. The Manager was of opinion that the Meter which measures Gas manufactured was in need of testing. We find it extremely difficult to get anyone to undertake this work at the present moment. The Condenser is also in need of renovation and we intend having ~~at the present moment~~ it attended to as soon as possible. Leakage from mains and Service Pipes cannot be so easily detected owing to the extraordinary fact that there is no

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no map of the Gas Mains in existence. Defective meters are being replaced with all possible speed and the Committee hope to secure some financial benefit thereby.

Public Lighting

We have ordered that the extra lamps you asked for be erected as under:-

Extra lamps.

1 Narrow West St. 1 Bessexwell Lane, 2 Mell & Simcock's Lane; 1 Mary St. 2 Chord Road, 2 North Road & Windmill Lane; 1 Dyer St; 1 Pitcher Hill 1 Old Hill, 1 Sunday Gate. To be lighted at Sunset and extinguished at 11.30 p.m.

At meeting on Thursday, 26th ~~February~~, we ordered seven Lamps in addition to above be got ready and fitted as soon as possible at following positions:-

1, Dale, beyond Arch from Marsh Road; 1, Francis St; 1 Back Strand; 1 opposite Sampson's public house; 1 Platten Road; 1 McGuire's corner, Patrick Street, 1, Marsh Road between Gas Works and Viaduct.

Dated 26th February 1920.

P. Monahan, Chairman".

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Alderman Halpin Seconded by Councillor Murdock.

Motion fixing time of meetings

Permission having been given to amend notice of motion by substituting 8 o'c. instead of 7.30 o'c. p.m. His Worship the Mayor thereupon moved:-

"That no meeting of the Council or Committee composed solely of members of the Corporation meet earlier than 8 o'clock p.m.; that Committees on which extern members sit be permitted to fix their own time of meeting; and that all resolutions to the contrary be and are hereby rescinded".

Councillor Davis having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Lease sealed to Hibernian Bank.

A Lease was sealed unto the Hibernian Banking Co. Ltd. of the Tholsel premises situate on the south side of West Street and west side of Shop Street, Drogheda, for a term of 75 years from the 25th March 1920 at the yearly rent of £400, covenants to insure for £10,000.

Copies of the Award dated 19th February 1920 &c by the Ministry of Labour in the case of the employees in the Gas Works and Cleansing Departments of the Corporation for increase in wages was read as follows:-

..... I hereby award to the three first Stokers and to the three Second Stokers

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Ministry of Labour award to Corporation Employees.

Stokers increases of five shillings per week to their present rates. I also award to the Stokers time and a half for Sunday shifts, where any portion of such shifts is worked between 12 midnight Saturday and 12 midnight Sunday. The increases as regards the Stokers are to be paid from 1st January 1920.

To the Labourers in the Gas Works Department, as well as the Labourers in the Cleansing Department, I hereby award an increase of three shillings per week, and a reduction of the hours of labour from 50 to 48 hours. The increase in rate to date from the first pay day after this award.

The same was unanimously adopted.

Special grant for Technical Instruction provides a rate of 2d in £ is struck.

An additional rate of 1d in the £ for Technical Instruction to be struck.

Letter read from Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction offering a special grant of £200 for improved accommodation of the Committee's Classes, provided a rate of 2d in the £ is struck for the ensuing year.

On the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Alderman Allen it was decided to strike an additional rate of 1d in the £ for Technical Instruction for the financial year ending 31st March 1921.

Resolution re Housing Schemes. Read.

A Resolution from the Clones Urban District Council in relation to the Government subsidy for Housing Schemes was marked "Read" on the motion of Alderman Allen seconded by Councillor Mullen.

Early Closing Order for Hair Dressers.

Letter read from Secretary, Drogheda Master Hair Dressers Association requesting the Corporation to make an Early Closing Order for Hair Dresser Shops in Drogheda.

Councillor Callan proposed, Alderman Halpin seconding- That the necessary steps be taken to have an Early Closing Order for Hair Dresser Shops made.

No action to be taken.

On a show of hands being taken 8 voted for the Resolution and 9 against.

The Resolution was declared lost.

P. O'Murpheirim
16.3.20.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock pm in the afternoon on Tuesday the 16th day of March 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan.)

Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, T. Halpin, J.W. Donnell, B.E. Allen, J.W. Stanley.

Councillors:- T. Carroll, T. Bateson, P. Carroll, H. Balfe, J. Fitzpatrick, J.C. Thornhill, R. Murdock, R. Webster, L.J.E. Clock, J.J. Callan, E. Mullen, E. Rooney, P. McNamara, J. McCabe

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages sheet examined and passed.

Report of Law & Finance Committee read as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

Application of Cahill & Co for Lease of part of field Dublin Road for building purposes.

We had under consideration an application from "The Cahill & Co (Drogheda) Public Utility Society, Ltd" for a Lease of 1½ acres (statute) of land on the northern end of field Dublin Road adjoining Connell Lane, for the purpose of building ten houses; Plans, Specification & Lay Out Plans were submitted and approved. We recommend you to grant a lease for a term of 150 years, subject to the consent of the Local Government Board, at a rent of £10 per annum.

Mr. V. Hughes, Marsh Road, holds this field under a grazing tenancy to the 1st December next, and he has agreed to give up immediate possession of 1½ acres on the condition that no rent be charged for this portion, and to reduce the rent for the remainder of the field. We consulted our Valuer, McKiernan, who suggests a reduction of £5 per Irish acre as the portion of land proposed to be acquired from Mr. Hughes is the best part of the field for grazing purposes. In order to allow the building of the houses to be commenced immediately, we recommend you to agree to the reduction of rent to Mr. Hughes

Leases recommended.

We have completed negotiations with the following tenants and recommend you to approve of same:-

John Callan, Hardman's Garden:- House, out-offices and land containing 1 1/16 acres (statute) at Hardman's Garden. Lease for 31 years from the 29th September last at the yearly rent of £7.

John Callan, Hardmans Gat.

Mrs. Lyons.

Mrs. A.B. Lyons, Trinity Street:- 11 months tenancy of field at West Gate

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J.A. Inglis.
Yearly tenancy.

Gate, containing 6a. 2r. 38p. (Statute) at a rent of £32:10/- This field has been reserved as a building site.

J.A. Inglis, Marsh Road: House and garden. Yearly tenancy at £30 per annum.

The G.N.R.Co. are owners in fee of the garden attached to Mr. Inglis' house, and to facilitate the letting of the house we have agreed to enter into an Agreement with the G.N.R.Co. for a month to month tenancy of this garden at 2/6 per month.

Messrs Lipton Ltd Shop Street.

Messrs Lipton Ltd:- Premises west side Shop Street. Lease for 21 years from the 29th September last at £75 per annum with an expenditure of £75 upon repairs.

Dated 9th March 1920"

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Callan seconded by Councillor Fitzhenry, ~~for~~ the paragraphs relating to reduction of rent to W. Hughes, Marsh Road, for portion of field Dublin Road proposed to be acquired for a building site, and paragraphs relating to lease to Lipton Ltd being ~~deleted~~ referred back for further consideration as final negotiations has not been completed

Prices of Coal
Report of Committee

Report of Coal Prices Committee recommending the fixing of following Retail Coal prices for Drogheda:-

Sale of 1 ton or more at Depot	£3:3:0 per ton
" " 1 ton delivered	3:6:3 " "
" " Quantities less than 1 ton in depot per cwt bag	4:0 " bag.
" " " " " " delivered " "	4:3 " "

Councillor Fitzhenry moved and Alderman Allen seconded that the Report be adopted.

Councillor Rooney moved as an amendment Councillor Mullen seconding, that the Report be referred back to the Committee.

On a division there voted:-

For the amendment	Against the amendment
Aldermen:- Murphy, McDonnell, Halpin, Stanley.	Aldermen:- Allen
Councillors:- Bateson, P. Carroll, Balfe, Fitzhenry, Thornhill, J. Carroll, McNamara, Callan, Mullen & Rooney (14)	Councillors:- Murdock, Elcock & Webster. (14)

Matter referred back to committee

The Amendment was declared carried by 14 votes to 14, and the Report was referred back to the Committee.

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Pursuant to notice of motion Councillor Fitzhenry moved and Alderman McDonnell seconded:-

"That all orders for goods issued by the Drogheda Corporation shall have an addendum or footnote stamped or printed as follows:- 'The above named goods must if possible be of Irish materials and manufacture ~~and~~ bear the Irish Trade Mark and be made by Trades Union Labour.'"

The motion having been put was declared carried unanimously.

Resolution acknowledging the Authority of "An Dail Eireann"

Pursuant to notice of motion His Worship the Mayor moved, Alderman Murphy seconding:-

"That this Council of the elected representatives of the Borough of Drogheda at a duly convened meeting, hereby acknowledges the authority of Dail Eireann as the duly elected government of the Irish people, and undertake to give effect to all decrees duly promulgated by the said Dail Eireann in so far as same affects this Council.

That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Irish Republican Minister 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 U.S.A."

The Resolution having been put the following voted

For the Resolution:-

Aldermen:- Murphy, McDonnell, Halpin, Stanley.

Councillors:- Bateson, P. Carroll, Balfe, Fitzhenry, J. Carroll, McNamara, Mullen, Rooney, and His Worship the Mayor (13)

Against the Resolution:-

Councillors Elcock & Webster. (2)

Aldermen Allen & Councillors Thornhill, Murdock, Callan and Melarbe declined to vote

The motion was declared carried by 13 votes to 2.

Correspondence re Housing Schemes

Correspondence from the Town Clerk, Tipperary, relating to Government subsidy for Housing Schemes was referred to the Housing Committee.

Gas Works.

A letter from the Local Government Board re expert to report on Gas Works Undertaking, and a letter from Mr. H.W. Saville re claims of Gas claims were referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Order from Local Government Board, constituting the Borough of Drogheda a Poor Law Electoral Area for the Election of Guardians and assigning nine members as

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as the number of members to be elected for such Electoral Area, read.

No order made.

Ordered that the men in the Cleansing Department be paid under the recent award by the Ministry of Labour as from the 20th February last.

P. O'Murgeacáin

1920 April 6th

Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. in the afternoon on Tuesday the 6th day of April, 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair: His Worship the Mayor (Alderman C. Monahan)

Aldermen:- J. E. Murphy, T. Halpin, J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen.

Councillors:- F. Bateson, P. Carroll, H. Balfe, R. Murdock, J. C. Thornhill, J. Davis, T. Carroll, R. Webster, T. V. McQuillan, D. Reddan, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Callan, E. Mullen, P. McNamara, E. Rooney

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Payments. — Payments ordered - Borough Fund £971 : 13 : 6

Public Library 6 : 17 : 2

Read report of Law & Finance Committee as follows:-

"Gentlemen.

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the Report of the Local Government Auditor upon his audit of the accounts for the year ending 31st March 1919 and make the following recommendations:-

Gas Undertaking:- The paragraph relating to the Gas Undertaking was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Surcharge remitted ✓ — Purchase of Coal for Re-sale:- The Town Clerk intimated that the Surcharge amounting to £444 : 1 : 6 had been remitted.

Register of Leases & Lettings ✓ — Register of Leases and Lettings:- The Borough Treasurer was directed to compile a register of Leases and Tenancies of the Corporate Estate, with particulars regarding each Letting.

Loss on Moneymore property — Loss on Moneymore property:- Ordered that steps be taken for the letting of these lands, and that proceedings be instituted against any person found trespassing.

Borough Treasurer's Advance — Borough Treasurer's Advance:- It was agreed to increase the Borough Treasurer's Petty Cash account by £150 so as to bring this Account up to £400 per month.

Infected Clothing — Infected Clothing:- It was agreed, having regard to the cost of replacing infected clothing, that no saving would be effected by providing

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providing a disinfecting chamber.

Car licences:- The question of the licencis for Hackney carriages was referred to the Bye-Laws & Markets Committee.

Sale of Manure:- It was agreed to recommend the Council, having regard to the Auditors objection, that the practice of conducting auctions by a member of the Council be discontinued and that some other auctioneer be employed.

Separate account to be kept for Mayoralty House and one showing upkeep of horses.

Personal Accounts:- The Borough Treasurer was directed to prepare a seperate account for the Mayoralty House showing the receipts and expenditure; and also an account showing the cost of the upkeep of horses.

Hire of Steam Roller.

We have agreed to hire the Steam Roller to the Navan Urban Council at £1 per day.

Assignments ✓

We have assented to an assignment from Mrs. Rose McQuillan to Mr. L. J. Carpenter of premises at George's Street, Lease No. 1397.

We have agreed not to advertise for annual tenders owing to fluctuations in prices of materials.

We have given the Town Clerk permission to employ a temporary clerk at 50/- per week in working up, plotting and checking Rate book and Demand Notes etc.

Mr. W. Hughes, Marsh Road has now agreed to give up possession of 1¼ acres of land at Dublin Road on the conditions set out in our report of the 9th March, which we recommend you to approve.

Lettings ✓

We have made the following lettings:-

Messrs Lipton Ltd., Shop St.

Messrs Lipton Ltd., premises West side Shop Street. Lease for 31 years at £15 per annum, with an expenditure of £75 upon repairs.

Messrs Butterly & Co Boswell Lane ✓

Messrs M. Butterly & Co., Stone and Stable Boswell Lane. Lease for 31 years at £13 per annum. Half of this rent is paid to the Trustees Poor of St. John's.

Mr. J. Smart to apply for fair Rent for his holding Solicitor instructed to oppose application ✓

Mr. John Smart has intimated his intention of applying to the County Court Judge to have a Fair Rent fixed upon his holding at St. James. Your Committee were willing to recommend the granting of a Lease for 31 years at £80 per annum.

We have instructed Mr. P. Callan, Solicitor, to oppose the application to have a Fair Rent fixed.

Irish Packing Co. Lease ✓

The Harbour Commissioners have now agreed with the Irish Packing Co. Ltd for a Lease for 99 years at £75 per annum of about 8 acres, and

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and for a yearly letting at £10 per annum of the remainder of the reclamid Mudlands at St James'. The rent the Corporation will receive at 3/32 part will therefore be £7:19:4 per annum. We have instructed the Town Clerk to take the necessary steps to apply to the Local Goverment Board for sanction to the granting of a lease for 200 years to the Harbour Commissioners of the narrow strip of land adjoining the Mornington Road at the yearly rent of £7:19:4.

Increase in Wages. ✓

Upon their applications we have unanimously agreed to recommend increases in wages to the following:-

John Moran, Foreman	4/-	per week. total wages	£2:19:0
J. Guthrie, Weighmaster	7/-	" " " "	£2:10:0
P. O'Reilly, Caretaker, Mayoralty House	8/-	" " " "	£1:0:0
Mrs. Oates. Office Cleaner	8/-	" " "	£1:0:0

In fixing the wages of the Caretaker of the Mayoralty House and the Office Cleaner we took into consideration the fact that no increases had been granted to them for the past 4 years, although the rest of your employees received several increases during that time.

Scale of charges for Mayoralty House increased. ✓

In view of the increased cost of maintenance of the Mayoralty House we have decided to increase the scale of charges, and submit herewith for your approval an amended scale in lieu of the present scale now in force.

Maintenance of patients in Dublin Hospitals ✓

We had under consideration a number of accounts received from Dublin Hospitals for maintenance of patients sent by the Sanitary Authority for special treatment. Owing to the increase in the number of these patients and the cost of their maintenance while in Hospital we have directed the R. S. O. and the Medical Practitioners to make enquiries into all these cases with a view to seeing whether the patients are such as should be sent free by the Sanitary authority and would be likely to benefit by Hospital treatment. The Committee are of opinion that patients suffering from chronic diseases should not be sent to extern Hospitals but should be treated in the Local Infirmary.

Dated 29th March, 1920.

P. O'Murnaghan, Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor proposed and Alderman Murphy seconded that the report be adopted.

Councillor

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Scale of Charges. Mayoralty House.

Councillor P. Carroll proposed and Councillor T. V. McQuillan seconded that the Scale of charges for the Mayoralty House be altered in respect of the use of the Rooms for Dances per night, from £5:5/- to £4:4/-

On a division there voted.

For the amendment:

Councillors:- Reddan, Elcock, Mullen, Balfe, P. Carroll, Webster, McQuillan, Callan, McNamara, Murdock (10)

Against the amendment:-

Aldermen:- Allen, Murphy, Halpin, McDonnell.

Councillors:- Davis, T. Carroll, Bateson, Thornhill (8)

The Amendment was declared carried.

It was unanimously agreed to alter the Scale for Dancing Classes.

"Long Night" (Ball & Sheriffs Rooms) from £3:3/- to £2:15/-

" (All Rooms) from £4:4/- to £3:0/-

The report as amended was put and declared carried unanimously.

Report of Housing Committee

Housing Scheme.

Read Report of Housing Committee as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had the Report of this Committee, dated 20th February last, which was submitted to the Council on the 2nd March under further consideration.

Having regard to the fact that the Local Goverment Board have laid down certain requirements in reference to the type of house, the amount of floor space, and the number to be erected per acre, we have no alternative but to agree to the adoption of the Scheme as submitted by the Borough Surveyor.

The Plans, lay-out plans and detailed Specification for the whole Scheme must be forwarded to the Local Goverment Board on or before the 15th April. When the Local Goverment Board have approved the Scheme it will be necessary to apply for a loan.

We wish to again point out that with the present high rate of interest and cost of building materials we cannot see that any building scheme can be undertaken unless the Goverment

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Goverment are prepared to increase very considerably the present subsidy.

We therfore recommend you to approve the report of the 20th February last.

Report of E.S.O on number of insanitary and condemned houses.

We also had under consideration a Report of the Executive Sanitary Officer on the number of insanitary and condemned houses which was referred at the last meeting of the Sanitary Authority to this Committee. The Report discloses an extraordinary state of affairs regarding housing conditions in Drogheda. There are about 600 houses that would in the ordinary course have been condemned, but owing to the shortage of housing accommodation the Sanitary authority did not think it advisable to adopt such a course.

Your Committee are of opinion that there is no likelihood of new houses being built for some time to come, and in order to keep the existing houses in some sort of habitable repair they have directed the Borough Surveyor and E.S.O. to make an immediate inspection of the thatched houses in possession of the Corporation and to submit a Report of the probable cost of keeping such houses in repair, provision to be made in the Rate Estimates for ensuing financial year for repairs to Corporation cottages.

We have also directed the Borough Surveyor to report upon dilapidated property held under Lease from the Corporation with a view to compelling the Lessees to comply with the repairing covenants contained in their Lease.

Dated 31st March, 1920.

P. O'Muirgeacain }
S.E. O'Muircada } Chairman"

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Davis, the Report was unanimously adopted.

Report of Bye-Law & Markets Committee read as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

Establishment of Fair Green.

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the question of the establishment of a Fair Green. We have unanimously come to the conclusion that the site at Chester Lane would be the most suitable

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Site at Chester Lane recommended.

suitable. It contains about 1¾ acres Statute, has three entrances, and good approaches. The cost of fencing the Northern end. levelling the site and widening the entrance at George's Street is estimated at £100.

This plot is held under two leases, both expiring in 1920. The portion on the West end is held by Mrs. Kate Branigan who is willing to surrender her present lease on receiving £15 as her interest in the holding. The portion on the East end is held by the Reps. Mc Cabe. We are in negotiations with the Solicitor for Reps. Mc Cabe to take a surrender of the delapidated house at the corner of Chester Lane (George's St.) so as to widen the entrance.

We recommend this site for your approval, and also to accept a surrender of Mrs Branigan's Lease on the terms set out above.

We recommend that in future pigs be sold in the Potato market, instead of Peter Street and Magdalene Street as at present.

If you agree to the establishment of a Fair Green at Chester Lane it will be necessary ~~for you~~ to revise your present market Bye-laws and the sanction of the Local Government Board must be obtained to such amended Bye-laws. We had under consideration the question of increasing the present market Tolls and the revised scale will be submitted for your approval when the question of the Fair Green is finally disposed of.

The question of the utilization of the Fish market by the Fish dealers is having our attention.

Car Licenses

We also had under consideration the paragraph in the L. G. Auditors Report in regard to Car Licencies. We find that during the years 1918 and 1919 no licences were paid by the Jarveys, and a few of the Car-owners had not paid since 1916. It was reported to us that the majority of Carmen refused to pay the arrears due. Having regard to the fact that no demand was made on the Carmen to pay their Licencies during these years, we decided not to ask the Carmen to pay their ~~licencies during these years~~ for the past few years but to accept their ordinary licence for the present year. The number of Jarveys who have applied for licencies is 22, and the revenue received will be £5:10/-

Owing

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Revised scale of Car fares.

Owing to increase in prices generally we have agreed to amend the present Scale of Hackney Carriage fares, and we have asked the Carmen to submit a list of fares for our consideration. When we have settled upon a revised scale it will be submitted for your approval.

Dated 26th March 1920.

P. O'Murnaghan, Chairman."

It was agreed to refer back to the Committee the portion of the Report dealing with the Fair Green and Pig market.

The balance of the Report was adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Murphy.

Ordered that the Car Inspector be called upon to furnish an explanation as to the reason why he allowed Car Owners to ply for hire without a licence.

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Thornhill:-

"Gentlemen,

Increase in wages to Gas Works employes.

We beg to report that we recommend the following increase in wages, first payment to start from week ending 16th March 1920.

John Nulty	3/- per week	(present wages 22/-)
Jas. O'Neill	5/- "	(" 50/-)

Owing to the difficulty of obtaining piping, fittings, and tools work replacing defective services is being retarded.

We are awaiting further estimates for testing of station meters.

We have insured men engaged on unloading coal at the Works with the Guardean Insurance Co. Ltd. at the annual premium of £26. This firm at present have the insurance of all permanent employes and their premium was by far the lowest received.

Financial position Deficit

As we can judge the financial position at the end of the year there will be a deficit of £276:6:1, but we estimate that the receipts for quarter ending 31st March should realise £3,500. It will be a matter of great difficulty to wipe out this deficit without a considerable levy on the rates.

The Local Government Board having refused to report on the state of the Works, we have directed the Manager in conjunction with the

Borough

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Water Gas Plant.
Under Consideration

Borough Engineer to draw up a report on necessary repairs.

We are at present considering the advisability of installing Water Gas Plant which would effect considerable economoy of Coal. We are in communication with several firms and hope to be in a position to come to a decision on the matter shortly.

Dated 25th March, 1920.

P. O'Murgestain, Chairman.

The following report of the Water Works Committee was adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor McNamara.

Gentlemen,

Increase in Wages to Caretaker Water Works. ✓

We had before us an application from the Dock Labourer's Union for an increase in wages of H. Cunningham Caretaker, Water Works. We unanimously agreed to grant him the same increase as your other employees viz: 3/- per week, making his total wages £2: 5/- per week.

Report of Borough Surveyor. ✓

The following report of the Borough ~~Treasurer~~ Surveyor was adopted, and instructions given for the carrying out of the Works set out in the report:-

Gentlemen

State of reservoirs

I beg to report that the reservoirs are at present full except for a slight decrease in Killineer reservoir. The mains and services are in a sound condition, but some of the valves and fountains will require renewals. I have given instructions for a general inspection of house fittings, and intend to prosecute any person found wasting water after one warning being previously given.

During the coming year it will be necessary to clean up the main stream and tributaries and carry out extensive repairs to the bank at Barnattin. It will also be necessary to wash some sand at Rosehall for renewing the top of the filter beds and lay a pipe line from main to sand washer. I estimate the cost of carrying out this work at £225.

Apart from this I do not anticipate any serious expenditure. When new houses are built in any great number a general change in the system of distribution of water and main extensions will be necessary for

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for the reason that the 12" main supplying filtered water will be unable to maintain sufficient pressure at the high levels. This main should then be linked at intervals with the 6" main (now supplying unfiltered water to the Railway). The joint mains can then supply filtered water to the town at a reasonable pressure.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant,
T. J. Delahunty, Borough Surveyor.

We directed the Town Clerk to submit to our next meeting an amended scale of ~~water~~ charges for water used for other than domestic purposes, and manufacturing purposes.

Dated 24th March, 1920.

P. O'Murgestain, Chairman.

Public Lighting. ✓

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Balfe moved, Councillor P. Carroll seconding "That a lamp be immediately lighted in Oulster Lane.

The Motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Lease unto John Gogarty Shop Street. ✓

A Lease unto John Gogarty of premises on the West side of Shop Street for a term of 200 years from the 29th September 1919 at the yearly rent of £5. Covenants to expend the sum of £4,000 on the building of 3 substantial dwelling houses or Shops was this day executed.

Agreements with Hospitals for maintenance of patients ✓

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to Agreements with the Mater Misericordiae, The Adelaide, Dr. Stevens, Meath, Merciers, Sir Patrick Duns, Rotunda, House of Industry, Royal Victoria Eye & Ear, Royal City of Dublin and the Coombe Lying in Hospitals for the maintenance of patients sent by the Sanitary Authority for special treatment.

Memorial to L. G. B. re Lease to Harbour Commissioners ✓

The Seal of the Corporation was affixed to a memorial ~~of~~ to the the Local Goverment for sanction to the making of a Lease for 200 years at £7: 19: 4 per annum to the Harbour Commissioners of a narrow strip of Land along the Mornington Road.

Read the following letter:

White Horse Hotel. Drogheda.

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Letter from
Mr. J. P. Connolly.

Picture ✓
Presented to the
people of Drogheda.

"Gentlemen

In remembrance of my late brother and his long association with the Drogheda Corporation as Town Clerk, and my father holding that position befor him, I desire to present to you in trust for the people of Drogheda, an original painting by Cassidy which I received from my late brother's estate. This painting being of great local interest as an old Drogheda Street scene with the characters "Nate the Navvy," "Donegan the Politician," "Peddy the Postman," "Drogheda Society Lady" and the "Concertina Player" included in the canvas, I feel it should be preserved by the Corporation for the people of Drogheda and have it hung along with the other pictures in the Court House or Mayoralty House. I am asking you to accept this old picture. I wish to state it was given to my late brother by Mr. Laurence Donegan, and I wish to have his name associated with this presentation.

Believe me to be, Gentlemen
Yours sincerely,
J. P. Connolly"

His Worship the Mayor proposed and Alderman Fuller seconded that the Corporation gratefully accept the picture and tender their thanks to Mr. Connolly for his gift

Early closing order for Hairdressers Shops.

Letter read from Master Hairdressers Association applying for an early closing Order for Hairdressers Shops.

It was agreed that His Worship the Mayor should have an interview with the master Hairdressers with a view to arriving at an understanding in regard to the matter.

Upon their application Patrick Connor, Bolton Street, was granted a bar owners and Dwellinghouse and Thomas Keegan, Marsh Road, a bar Dwellinghouse.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock in the afternoon on Tuesday the 20th day of April 1920

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monaghan)
Aldermen:- J. E. Murphy, T. Halpin, Jule Donnell, B.E. Alb.
Councillors:- J. Carroll, F. Bateson, H. Balfe, P. McCann, J. Thornhill, J. Davis, J. Fitzhenry, R. Webster, D. Reddan, T. McCabe, J. J. Callan, P. McNamara, C. Mullen.

Minutes
Wages.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages sheet examined and passed.

Motion dropped.

Councillor Rooney not being present at the meeting the following Notice of Motion standing in his name was dropped:-

"That this Council hereby calls for an explanation from the Borough Treasurer of his action in working on Tuesday the first day of the General Strike."

In explanation of ~~the Co~~ Mr. P. Hanley, Car Inspector, relating to the taking out of licences by Carmen was referred to the By-Laws & Markets Committee.

Agreement with G.N.R. Co. for letting 7 fields, sealed. ✓

The Seal of the Corporation was this day affixed to an Agreement with the Great Northern Railway Co. for a month to month letting to the Corporation at 2/6 per month of a Garden at the rere of Mr. J. A. Inglis' house St. James'.

Memorial to L.G.B. re Lease to Cahill & Co sealed. ✓

A Memorial to the Local Government Board for making of a Lease for a term of 150 years to the "Cahill & Co. (Drogheda) Public Utility Society Ltd" of plot of ground, Dublin Road, was this day executed.

Ordered that the Corporation Employees be paid for the 2 days which they were out during the General Strike.

The action of the Mayor and Town Clerk in ascertaining a New Fair for the 20th inst. in lieu of the Fair abandoned on the 14th inst. owing to General Strike was unanimously approved.

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The following letter was read and ordered to be inserted on the Minutes:-

"Christian Brothers, St. Joseph's, Drogheda, 6th April 1920.

Dear Sir,

Condolence.

The Christian Brothers beg to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of 25th ult. informing them of the vote of Condolence passed by your Council on the lamented death of their late Superior, Rev. Br. Leahy, and request you will convey to the Council their grateful thanks for kind sympathy.

Acknowledgment.

I am, Sir, Yours faithfully
W.B. Power."

P. O'Murnaghan

1920
May 4th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock in the afternoon on Tuesday the 4th day of May 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J. E. Murphy, T. Halpin, J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen
Councillors:- F. Bateson, T. Carroll, H. Balfe, P. McCann, R. Murdock, J. C. Thornhill, J. Davis, T. v. MacQuillan, D. Reddan, E. Mullen, R. Webster, E. Rooney, T. McCabe, P. Carroll, P. McNamara.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments.

Monthly Payments ordered - Borough Fund £1042: 14: 10
Library 10: 6: 2.

Rate Estimate

Read a Report of the Law & Finance Committee, together with Rate Estimate, on the striking of Rates for financial year ending 31st March 1921 and recommending that a total Rate of 17/- in the £ be struck as follows - Borough Rate 12/5d, Poor Rate 4/7d.

Criminal Injuries item deleted.

His Worship the Mayor proposed and Councillor Bateson seconded - That the special item of £62: 14: 8 in respect of Criminal Injuries be deleted from the Poor Rate Estimates.

The same was put and carried unanimously.

Alderman Murphy proposed and Councillor Davis seconded that the Report as amended be adopted and a Rate of 17/- in the £ be struck. The same was put and carried unanimously.

Child Welfare Scheme.

Read Report of Law & Finance Committee as follows:-

"Gentlemen - We beg to report that we had under consideration the report of the Child Welfare Committee recommending that an Agreement be entered into with the Drogheda District Nursing Association to have their Nurses act as Health Visitors at £80 per annum; to establish two Milk Depots, one in St. Mary's and one in St. Peter's Parishes; and also to establish a Dental Clinic. The Local Government Board will recoup half the expenses of the Scheme. We ~~are~~ recommend, Councillor McCann dissenting, that a rate of 2d in the £ be provided in the present Estimates to cover the expenses in connection with the scheme.

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Insurance of Corporation Employees.

We have had under consideration the question of insuring your employees under the Workmen's Compensation Acts and third Party Risks and obtained quotations from various Insurance Companies. Having regard to the increased liability under recent legislation we think it well to have all your employees insured. We have accepted the quotation of the Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co. at £68:12/, being the lowest quotation received, we recommend you to approve of same.

Letting of field Crushrod Lane to Mrs. K. Cummins.

We have made an 11 months letting of about one acre (this) of portion of field at Crushrod Lane (Manure Depot) to Mrs. K. Cummins, Kelly's Lane, at a rent of £5 which we recommend you to approve.

Dated 26th April 1920. P. Omeara Esqr, Chairman"

Question of Insuring Workmen referred back to Committee

The Report was adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Murphy, the 2nd paragraph in the Report dealing with the question of Insuring under the Workmen's Compensation Acts and Third Party Risks being referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor T. Carroll, the following Report of the last Works Committee was unanimously adopted:

Revised rates for Meter hire.

"Gentlemen, — On account of increasing cost of meters and repairs we recommend that the following revised rates for meter hire per quarter be adopted:-

3 light meter	2/	per quarter
5 " "	2/6	" "
10 " "	3/	" "
20 " "	3/9	" "
30 " "	4/6	" "
50 " "	8/6	" "

We have agreed that men engaged to discharge Coal at Works be paid an increase of 1½d a ton, as this is now the current rate in the town.

Public Lighting No of lamps reduced.

We have decided that with the exception of six all night lamps no other public lamps shall be lighted during the Summer months.

Repairs to roof of Coal Store & Retort House

We have accepted a tender for repairs to Roof of Coal Store and Retort House for the sum of £30.

Wages of Plumber & Gas Fitter increased

We have decided to advance the wages of the Plumber and Gas Fitter employed at the Works from 1/6 to 1/10 per hour in accordance with

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Consulting Engineer to be employed.

with new rate for such work in town.

We have decided to employ a Consulting Engineer to report on Works with a view to reducing cost of production by installation of Water Gas Plant or system of Vertical Retorts.

The deficit at 31st March after paying all outstanding accounts is £3,600 for which rate must be struck in accordance with undertaking given to Bank of Ireland.

We estimate there will be a deficit of £300 at the end of the present Year if the cost of Coal is increased by the suggested 12/ per ton.

Dated 26th April 1920. P. Omeara Esqr, Chairman"

Rate Collectors poundage reduced.

Pursuant to Notice of motion His Worship the Mayor moved and Councillor Davis seconded:- "That in view of the large increase in Estimates for the current year the Rate Collector's poundage be reduced from 6d. to 4d. in the £, and that all resolutions to the contrary be and are hereby rescinded".

The motion having been put it was declared carried unanimously.

Borough Surveyor to furnish a monthly report.

Pursuant to notice of motion Councillor McCann moved -

"That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to furnish the Council with a monthly Report in reference to the work carried out in his Department under the following heads: 'Street cleansing and watering', 'Domestic Scavenging', 'Repairs to Corporation Cottages', 'Road Maintenance and Repairs', with special reference to cleansing and sanitation in general."

Alderman Halpin having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Resolution re. Emigration

A Resolution from the Drogheda Urban District Council requesting Dail Eireann to decree the prohibition of Emigration from Ireland read.

Alderman Murphy moved and Councillor Bateson seconded -

"That this Council views with alarm the resumption of Emigration from Ireland, and respectfully urges on Dail Eireann the necessity of devising ways and means of enabling prospective Emigrants to obtain a Livelihood at home".

The same was put and carried unanimously.

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Murphy the following resolution was unanimously adopted -

"That

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Beatification of Venerable Oliver Plunkett.

"That this Council hails with joy and gratitude the approaching beatification of the Venerable Oliver Plunkett martyred Archbishop of Armagh, and that we feel specially grateful as his life work was so closely associated with our ancient City and County.

Dr. W. Bradley to represent Corporation in Rome.

That we nominate Dr. William Bradley to represent this town and Corporation at the Beatification Ceremonies in Rome on May 23rd 1920."

A Memorial from the Residents of Bottle Lane relating to the bad condition of Lane and Water Supply was referred to the Borough Surveyor.

Hair Dressers Early Closing Day.

Letter read from Master Hair Dressers' Association relating to the making of an Early Closing Order.

Ordered to inform the Secretary of the Association that under Section 7 of the Shops Act 1912 they can apply to the Lord Lieutenant to send down a Commissioner to have an Early Closing Order made.

Lease to Har. Comm. approved by L.G.B.

Letter read from Local Government Board approving of Lease for 200 years to the Harbour Commissioners of narrow strip of Land at St. James's.

Lists of Irrecoverable Rates approved.

The Rate Collector's lists of Irrecoverable Rates for the half year ending 31st March last were approved on the motion of Alderman Allen seconded by Councillor McNamara.

The following letter ~~from Mrs~~ was read and ordered to be inserted on the minutes:-

"Staleen, 30th April 1920.

Condolence Acknowledgment.

Dear Sir,

Will you please convey to the Members of the Corporation the thanks of myself and family for the vote of sympathy passed with us on the death of the late Mr. McCann.

Yours truly
Mary McCann."

P. O'Murneacain

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock in afternoon on Tuesday the 18th day of May, 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor.

Alderman:- J. E. Murphy, T. Halpin, J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen, J. M. Stanley.

Councillors:- T. Carroll, F. Bateson, H. Balfe, R. Murdock, J. C. Thornhill, J. Davis, P. McCann, R. Webster, J. J. Callan, E. Mullen, E. Rooney, P. Carroll, P. McNamara, T. V. McQuillan.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages.

The Minutes of the last meeting were and confirmed.

Wages sheet examined and passed.

Insurance of Corporation Employees.

Read Report of Law & Finance Committee as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had under further consideration the question of taking out an Insurance Policy under the Workmen's Compensation Acts and Third Party Risks. We recommend that a Policy of Insurance to cover this risk be taken out and also to set aside annually a sum equivalent to the amount of the Premium so as to build up an Insurance Fund, the Policy to be dropped when the Fund has accumulated to the sum of £1000.

We have granted an increase of 2/- per week to Peter Corrigan, making his total wages 10/- per week.

Caffrey v. Corporation.

Caffrey v. Corporation:-

This Action was heard in the King's Bench Division, Dublin on the 28th & 29th April last. The complaint was that owing to the Corporation altering the roadway and Water Channel in the year 1915 and not making sufficient provision to carry off surplus water from the Roadway and Water Channel on the 12th June last this surplus water poured into the Plantiff's houses in the Hollow, Dublin Road, and burst out the back walls causing damage for which he claimed £200. The Jury found for Mr. Caffrey and assessed damages against the Corporation for the sum of £100 and £10 for loss of rent.

We have received a letter from Mr. F. G. McKeever, Solicitor applying

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Patrick Plunkett. Claim for furniture destroyed by flooding

applying on behalf of Patrick Plunkett, The Hollow, Dublin Road for a sum of £5:1:3 being the value of certain articles of furniture alleged to be destroyed by the flooding of his dwelling house. As it is almost 12 months since the flooding of these premises took place we recommend you to repudiate liability for the claim.

Lettings. ✓

We have agreed to make the following lettings:

Mrs. B. McGee Newfoundwell.

Thos. B. McGee, premises Newfoundwell: lease for 15 years from the 25th March last at old rent - £2:9:8 per annum.

Miss A. Whitehead Newfoundwell ✓

Miss Anne Whitehead, premises Newfoundwell: lease for 15 years at old rent - £2:12:6 per annum

P. Thornton. Beamore Road. ✓

P. Thornton, Beamore Road. House and garden in his occupation 19/6 per month.

We have instructed the Borough Surveyor and Borough Treasurer to report at fixed periods upon the carrying out, by lessees granted leases, of the covenants contained in such leases in respect of expenditure upon repairs or new buildings and upon keeping alive of Fire Insurances."

Councillor Rooney proposed and Councillor Callan ~~Rabbitt~~ seconded that the paragraph in the report relating to the claim for £5:1:3 for furniture alleged to be destroyed on behalf of Patrick Plunkett, The Hollow, Dublin Road, be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

Claim of Patrick Plunkett referred back to Committee.

The report as amended was adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Allen.

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Murphy the following report of the Bye-laws and Market Committee was unanimously adopted:-

"Gentlemen,

Establishment of Fair Green.

We had under consideration the paragraph in our previous report dated 26th March last dealing with the establishment of a fair Green at Chester Lane and the suggestions made by some members of the Council regarding the concreting and the erection of Cattle pens. The Borough Surveyor estimates the cost of concreting and erecting fencing &c. as above at £10.000 and we think the Council should not embark upon such an expenditure at the present time.

Having regard to the fact that the number of Cattle brought into

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into the Fair in recent times has decreased considerably we consider that the site at Chester Lane will provide ample accommodation.

We have entered into negotiations with Mr. James Nulty, West Gate, to take over the dilapidated house at the entrance to Chester Lane from George's Street. Mr. Nulty is willing to hand over immediate possession, without any consideration, of this house provided he is granted a lease of the small yard at the rear. In order to widen the entrance from George's St. we recommend you to grant Mr. Nulty a lease of the small yard for a term of 31 years at £2 per annum.

Mrs. Kate Grangan is also willing to surrender her interest in the lease of portion on the Dublin end for a sum of £15, and we recommend you to accept same.

We recommend that the site at Chester Lane be designated Fair Green and that a sum of £100 be expended upon levelling out, fencing the Bottom end and widening the entrance from George's Street.

We also recommend that in future Pigs be sold in the Potato Market instead of Rear Street and Vegetables Street as at present.

We attach a revised Scale of Market Charges for your approval.

If you decide to establish a Fair Green at Chester Lane it will be necessary to revise your present Market Bye-laws and the sanction of the local Government Board must be obtained to such amended Bye laws.

Scale of Hackney Carriage Fares. ✓

"We also had under consideration the question of revising the present scale of Hackney Carriage fares. The existing fares were adopted in 1904, but owing to the rise in prices generally the scale was not adhered to. The Hackney Carriage Proprietors suggest a flat rate of 1/- per statute mile and we think this reasonable. We append a revised scale of fares for your approval which we recommend you to adopt.

"We have considered the Fair Inspectors explanation in relation to the taking out of licences by Car Owners and in view of the fact that no action was taken on his previous reports we recommend you to accept the explanation."

Read

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Increase in Price of Gas: ✓

Read a report of Gas Works Committee as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

"We recommend that an application be made to the local Government Board for sanction to increase the price of Gas from 7/- to 10/- per 1000 cubic feet.

"Since the price of Gas was last revised we have had to meet an increase in wages and in addition the cost of Coal has now been raised by 14/2 per ton. It will also be necessary to carry out extensive repairs and renewals to the Workshops during the year which must be met out of revenue.

"Under these circumstances we have no option but to ask a further increase in the price of Gas."

The Report was unanimously approved on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Murphy.

Report of Coal Prices Committee re Price of Coal. ✓

The following report of the Coal Prices Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Davis.

"Gentlemen,

"We have had under consideration the suggestion of Councillor Rooney, made at the meeting of the Council held on the 16th March last, that the price per ton of Coal should be increased and to reduce the price of Coal for small quantities. On the Merchants undertaking not to reduce the quantities of Coal sold in small lots we recommend you to fix the retail prices of Coal as follows:-

"Sale of 1 ton or more at Depot	£4 : 1 : 0 per ton
"Sale of 1 ton or more delivered	4 : 3 : 0 "
"Sale of quantities less than 1 ton at Depot. per bag 10 stone	0 : 5 : 0 per bag
Do. per basket.	0 : 2 : 6 per basket
"Sale of quantities less than 1 ton delivered per bag 10 stone	0 : 5 : 4 per bag

"Since our last report the F.O.B. prices of Coal has been increased by 14/2 per ton together with a further increase of 1/+½ for Cost of Surcharge"

Pursuant to Notice of motion Councillor Rooney moved and Councillor Mullen seconded. "That the Town Clerk be instructed not to issue - or give instructions for the taking out of

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of Summonses, or the suggestion of Policemen, under the Towns Improvement Act until such time as all Law Courts are under the Jurisdiction of the duly established Irish Republic."

Councillor Davis proposed as an amendment Councillor Webster seconding that the Notice of motion standing on the name of Councillor Rooney be referred to the Law Agent for a Report.

On a division the following voted:-

For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
His Worship the Mayor	Aldermen Murphy, Stanley, McDonnell
Aldermen Allen, Harper	Councillors Mullen, Balfe, P. Carroll,
Councillors:- Mc Cann, Davis, Webster	Callan, J. Carroll, Paterson,
Mc Quillan, Mc Namara, Murdock,	Rooney (10)
Thornhill (10)	

The voting being equal His Worship the Mayor gave his casting vote in favour of the amendment.

The amendment was accordingly declared carried.

Rate Resolution ✓

It was proposed by Councillor Davis seconded by Aldermen Murphy, and Resolved:-

"That this Council do hereby make strike and inhose a Borough Rate of one hundred and forty nine pence in the pound on the owners, occupiers, or tenants of all hereditaments within the Borough rateable for ~~the~~ the relief of the Poor upon the annual value thereof - that is to say, eighty eight pence in the pound levied under the provisions of the Municipal Corporation (Ireland) Acts and the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, in order to raise the sum of £7,405 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses for Town purposes for the year ending 31st March, 1921; Twenty two pence in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and Acts amending and extending the same in order to raise the sum of £2,351 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of the Water Supply for the year ending 31st March, 1921; two pence in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (I.) Act, 1878, and Acts amending and Acts extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £218 : 14 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses of the Child Welfare Scheme

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Scheme for the year ending ~~the~~ 31st March, 1921; Thirty four pence in the pound levied under Section 56 of the Drogheda Corporation Act, 1896, as incorporated with Section 38 of the Drogheda (Corporation) Gas Act, 1898, in order to raise the sum of £3,600 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the deficiency in the revenue of the Gas Works Undertaking for the year ending 31st March, 1921, One penny in the pound for expenses under the "Public ~~Acts~~ Libraries Acts 1855 to 1902" in order to raise the sum of £106:18/- being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses to be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said last mentioned Acts for the year ending 31st March, 1921; Two pence in the pound for expenses under "The Technical Instruction Act, 1889", and "The Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act, 1899" in order to raise the sum of £213:16/- being the amount which the Council has estimated will be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said Acts for the year ending 31st March, 1921."

"That the Rate Book and all the entries made therein be, and the same is hereby adopted as the Rate Book by the Council, and that the same be duly signed as such, and it is hereby ordered that the said Rates shall be payable on and after the 18th day of May, 1920."

"That the Council do hereby make, strike, and impose upon the occupiers of all property within the Borough a Poor Rate of fifty five pence in the pound upon the annual value of all such property under the Irish Poor Relief Acts, and the Local Goverment (Ireland) Acts, 1898-1902, in order to raise the sum of £5,937 which has been estimated will meet, for the year ending 31st March, 1921; the Demand of the County Council, and also the expenses of the Council, to be defrayed out of the Poor Rate, under the last mentioned Acts and Acts amending and extending the same, and that the same shall be payable on and after the 18th day of May, 1920.

The motion having been put was declared carried

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carried unanimously.

The various Estimates having been submitted and formally approved, the Rate Book and Collectors Warrant were duly executed and sealed.

Letter read from Mr. John Ward, Greenhills, complaining of the bad condition of the road leading from Greenhills to Newtown was referred to the Borough Surveyor.

Police unable to render assistance at L.G.B. elections

Letter read from County Inspector, R.I.C. intimating that he would be unable to render any Police assistance at the various Polling Stations or guarding the Ballot Boxes at the forthcoming Local Government Elections

Town Clerk to apply to I.V. for assistance

Ordered that the Town Clerk be instructed to apply to the Irish Volunteers for the necessary assistance.

Letter from the Lieut. Col. District Intelligence Office, Queenstown, requesting information relating to the Town was marked read.

Letter read from Dr. W. Bradley thanking the Council for the Resolution appointing him to represent the Corporation at the Beatification ceremonies of the Venerable Oliver Plunkett in Rome.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at Eight o'clock in the afternoon on Tuesday the 1st day of June 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)

Aldermen:- J. E. Murphy, J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen, J. Stanley, T. Halpin

Councillors:- T. Carroll, F. Bateson, P. McCann, R. Murdock, R. Webster, E. Mullen, J. J. Callan, E. Rooney, P. Carroll, P. McNamara, J. Fitzhenry

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages. — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. — Payments ordered:- Borough Fund 866: 9: 10
Public Library 4: 17: 1

The following report of the Water Works Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Allen:-

Fixing a scale of charges for Water used for other than domestic

"Gentlemen — We beg to report that we have had under consideration the question of fixing a Scale of Charges for Water used for other than domestic purposes, and accordingly submit a Scale of Charges for your approval. We find that there are a number of persons who use a considerable quantity of Water for Trade purposes, without paying anything beyond the Domestic Rate. Owing to the increase in wages and cost of materials &c. the Rate for the Water Supply has been increased by 4d. in the £. for the current year, and we think it only fair that persons using water for trade purposes should pay a special charge, and the revenue so obtained to be applied in reduction of the Domestic Rate.

We have agreed not to alter the Scale of Charges for Water Supplied through meter.

We have granted the following increases in wages:-

Wages increased

P. Lennon, Plumber, 12/6 per week making his total wages £4: 12: 6 per week.

J. Tully, Plumber's Helper, 1s/2d per hour while acting as Tradesman's Labourer; when not working as Plumber's Helper to be paid at present rate 47/- per week.

Dated 21st May, 1920. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman"

Read Report of Gas Works Committee as follows:-

"Gentlemen

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Increase in wages of Gas Works employees

"Gentlemen — In view of the recent re-adjustment of wages in the town, the employees of the Gas Works made application for an increase of 5/- per week. After consultation with representatives of the men on the 14th inst., we recommend that an increase of 3/- per week be sanctioned, the increase to take place from and after this date.

Increase in price of Coke

Owing to increases in wages and cost of Coal &c. we have been compelled to increase the price of Coke from £3 to £3: 13: 4 per ton, the increase to date from 17th May inst.

Dated 14th May, 1920. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman"

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Murphy.

Pursuant to notice of motion, Alderman Murphy moved, Alderman McDonnell seconding:-

Canvassing for appointments under Council condemned.

"That this Council condemn 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 motion having been put was declared carried unanimously.

Night Watch. Committee appointed re.

Pursuant to Notice of motion Councillor Webster moved:-

"That a special Committee be appointed to enquire into and report to next meeting as to the advisability of supplementing the Night Watch."

Councillor McNamara having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried unanimously, and the following Committee appointed

His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Murphy, Stanley, Councillors, Davis, Mullen and Webster (6)

Application for increase in wages by employees.

Application read from National Union of Dock, Riverside & General Workers for a flat advance of 5/- per week, making the minimum wage 50/- per week, for the men employed as Carters, Scavengers & Water Works Employees.

His Worship the Mayor proposed and Alderman Murphy seconded that the men be awarded an advance of 3/- per week.

Councillor Rooney proposed as an amendment Councillor Mullen seconding that the men be granted an increase of 5/- per week.

On a division there voted.

For the amendment:- Aldermen Stanley, McDonnell; Councillors - Mullen, P. Carroll, J. Fitzhenry, Callan, T. Carroll, P. McNamara, Bateson & Rooney (10)

Against

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Against the Amendment:-

His Worship the Mayor; Councillors, McCann, Webster, Murdock (4)

Aldermen Murphy and Halpin declined to vote.

The Amendment was declared carried by 10 votes to 4.

Councillor ~~Rooney~~ McCann thereupon moved, Alderman Allen seconding, that the Demand of the Dock, Riverside & General Workers Union be referred to the Law & Finance Committee for report.

On a division there voted ~~for Councillor~~

For the Amendment:- Aldermen:- Allen, Murphy & Halpin; Councillors McCann, Webster, Callan & Murdock (7)

Against the Amendment:- Aldermen, Stanley, McDonnell, Councillors- Mullen, O'Carroll, Fitzhenry, T. Carroll, McNamara, Bateson, Rooney (9).

Increase granted. ✓

There being no further amendment proposed, Councillor Rooney's proposal was then put as a substantive motion, and agreed to as being carried by the same voting as took place upon it as an Amendment.

Resolution from Drogheda Branch Irish Federation D. & D. S. & S. protesting against the dispossession of Mr. Byrne from his house at Duleek St. read.

No order made.

Letter from L.G.B. re Price of Gas. ✓

Letter read from Local Government Board relating to application for sanction to increase the price of Gas from 7/- to 10/- per 1000 cubic ft. and intimating that the highest price that could be authorized to be charged under the Statutory Undertakings (Temporary Increase of Charges) Act, 1918, is 8/3 per 1000 c. ft. which is equivalent to an increase of 50% on the price fixed by the Drogheda (Corporation) Gas Act, 1898.

It was decided to refer the matter to the Gas Works Committee.

L.G.B. approval of lists of Irrecoverable Rates.

Letter read from Local Government Board approving of the Rate Collector's lists of Irrecoverable Rates for 1/2 year ending 31st March 1920.

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Upon their application the Boyne Cinema Co. were granted a Touring Cinema Licence for portable structure.

Extern members for School Attendance Committee

Letter read from Commissioners of National Education appointing the following extern members on the School Attendance Committee as from

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from the 1st July next:-

Rev. Chancellor L.P.T. Ledoux B.D.; Vy. Rev. J. Nulty, P.P.; P.P. Keeley; Rev T.R. Brunskill M.A.; Simon Cullen.

Further Letter from Commissioners of National Education read intimating that they have appointed Patrick Anderson, West St. a member of the School Attendance Committee in room of P.P. Keeley who is unable to act.

No order made.

Letter read from J.A.C. Noonan tendering his resignation as a member of the Technical Instruction & Public Library Committee.

It was agreed to ask Mr. Noonan to re-consider his decision.

Resignation of Borough Surveyor.

Letter read from T.J. Delahunty, tendering his resignation as Borough Surveyor, and intimating that he will cease to act on 30th June.

It was decided to refer the matter to the Law & Finance Committee

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock in the afternoon on Tuesday the 15th day of June 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J. Murphy, T. Halpin, J. McDonnell, J.M. Stanley
Councillors:- P. Carroll, T. Carroll, P. McCann, H. Balfe, J. Fitzhenry
T. Bateson, D. Reddan, E. Mullen, E. Rooney, P. McNamara,
J. Hallan, R. Webster.

The Notice convening the meeting, was taken as read.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Increase in Rents.

Report of Town Clerk relating to increase in Rents of Weekly tenants due to increase in Rates read and unanimously adopted.

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Bateson the following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was unanimously adopted:-

Application to purchase garden by nuns of Sienna Convent.

"Gentlemen - We have received an application from the Nuns of the Sienna Convent to purchase a garden in Francis Street containing 3½ roods (Statute). The plot is presently held under a yearly tenancy at £7 per annum with a small Cottage occupied by Miss Finglas. The garden forms portion of the grounds attached to the Sienna Convent, and we recommend you to agree to a sale for the sum of £200.

Miss Finglass Application for Lease.

Miss Finglas has made application for lease of the house in her possession and we are presently in negotiations with her for a lease.

Claim of P. Plunkett for compensation. £4 recommended.

We have had under further consideration the claim for £5:1:3 of Patrick Plunkett, The Hollow, Dublin Road, for compensation for damage to certain articles of furniture destroyed by the flooding of his house on the 13th June, 1919. Mr. Plunkett has now agreed to take £4 in full settlement of his claim, and we recommend you to pay Mr. Plunkett this sum.

Tenders for 12 months supply of timber.

The Borough Surveyor reported to us that the price charged by local merchants for timber supplies were excessive, and we recommend you to invite tenders for a 12 month's supply.

Assignments

We have agreed to Assignments from Patrick Langley to Francis McCrystal

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McCrystal of premises, Duleek Street, Lease no. 1317; and from the Sienna Nuns to Mrs. Margaret Fogarty, of premises Chord Road, Lease no. 1262.

Mr. T. Gill, Keever, Solicitor, on behalf of the Harbour Commissioners requests that the Clause in the draft lease against noisy, noisesome, and offensive trades be eliminated. Having regard to the nature of the holding we recommend you to agree to the elimination of the Clause from the lease.

We have received the following letter from messrs A. & L. Goodbody, acting on behalf of the Cahill & Co. (Drogheda) Public Utility Society, Ltd. in reference to proposed building site on field at Dublin Road, and we decided to await your decision on the matter.

"34 Dame Street, Dublin,
10th May, 1920

Patrick Hallan Esq., Solicitor, West Street, Drogheda.
Cahill & Co. Utility Society - Corporation of Drogheda, Lease.

Dear Sir, - We have received your letter and draft Lease herein for approval. Unfortunately, owing to the increased prices demanded by contractors, due to claims by their men for increased wages, our clients are unable to proceed with the project at present. We presume therefore that we may hold over the draft lease until our clients see definitely whether they can go on with the proposed building scheme or not.

Yours faithfully
A. & L. Goodbody"

Dated 7th June 1920.

P. O'Muineachain, Chairman

Cahill & Co relinquish their claim to site

Letter read from A. & L. Goodbody, Solicitors, intimating that their clients, the Cahill & Co. Public Utility Society, had decided to not to proceed with the building of houses on the site at Dublin Road, and relinquishing their claim to the site in question.

The following report of the Gas Works Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Halpin.

Increase in price of Gas.

"Gentlemen - We had under consideration the letter from the Local Government Board intimating that the maximum price that could be charged for Gas under the Statutory Undertakings (Temporary Increase of Charges) Act, 1918, is 8/3 being 50% increase on the price fixed by the Drogheda (Corporation) Gas Act, 1898. In our last report we recommended that the price of Gas should be increased from 7/- to 10/-. We have gone very carefully into the whole matter and find that owing to the large increase in wages, cost of materials, Coal and discharging same, and repairs to Works, we find that

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that owing the Undertaking could not be successfully worked unless the price of Gas be increased to 9/2 per 1000 cubic feet, and we recommend you to apply for sanction to this increase.

Increase in Wages to Workmen.

Owing to the men in the Cleansing Department receiving 3/- per week advance in wages we received a further demand from 7 men employed in the Yard to have their wages increased by 2/- per week, and we recommend that this increase be paid from week ending 15th June.

We recommend an increase in wages of 2/- per week to the Stokers payable from 15th June.

J. O'neill appointed Foreman Timekeeper

We recommend that James O'neill be appointed Foreman and Timekeeper on Works under direction of Manager, and that his wages be increased from £2:15/- to £3:5/- per week payable from week ending 15th June.

We have decided to increase the amount of Insurance on the Steam Boiler from £250 to £2000. The new premium will be £2:10/- or an increase of 10/- on the old premium.

Dated 9th June 1920

P. O'Munnelly, Chairman.

Lease sealed to John Callan Hardmans Garden.

A Lease was this day sealed unto John Callan of Hardman's Garden of House, Outoffices & Land situate on the east side of Hardman's Garden for a term of 31 years from the 29th September last at the yearly rent of £7.

A list of Tenements requiring revision of Valuation was submitted and approved.

Letter from Patrick Callan, Solicitor, relating to Councillor Rooney's Notice of motion in connection with prosecutions under the Towns Improvement Act, read.

Councillor Rooney thereupon moved his original Notice of motion as follows:

Town Clerk instructed not to issue summonses on the suggestion of Policemen

"That the Town Clerk be instructed not to issue or give instructions for the taking out of Summonses, on the suggestion of Policemen, under the Towns Improvement Act until such time as all Law Courts are under the jurisdiction of the duly established Irish Republic."

Councillor Mullen having seconded, the same was put and carried, Councillor Webster dissenting.

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A circular letter from the Local Government Board enclosing copies of Draft Regulations respecting Public Utility Societies was referred to the Housing Committee.

Correspondence from Local Government Board relating to borrowing of money by issue of Local Bonds in connection with Housing of the Working Classes Acts was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Resolution calling for the release of Mr James Larkin

Letter read from "The Larkin Release Committee" drawing attention to the conviction of James Larkin on a charge of "Criminal Anarchy" and to the ~~vindictive~~ and brutal sentence of from 5 to 10 years imprisonment with Hard Labour and which sentence he is now serving in Sing Sing Prison.

His Worship the Mayor moved, Alderman Murphy seconding "That this Council protests most strongly against the harsh sentence imposed upon Mr James Larkin, and that we call for his immediate release."

The same having been put was declared carried unanimously.

The suspension of the Standing Orders having been moved and passed Alderman Stanley thereupon moved:-

Action of Irish Railwaymen in refusing to handle munitions endorsed.

"That this Council endorses the action of the Irish Railwaymen and Transport Workers in refusing to handle Munitions, and pledges its support to the Workers involved".

Councillor Mullen having seconded, the same was put and declared carried unanimously.

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Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 6th day of July 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J. E. Murphy, T. Halpin, J. McDonnell, B.E. Allen, Jul. Stanley
Councillors:- T. Bateson, J. Fitzsimons, H. Balfe, P. Carroll, M. Thornhill, L.J. Elcock, R. Webster, E. Mullen, E. Rooney, P. McNamara, J.V. McQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages. Wages Sheets examined and signed

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund £958:18:6
Public Library £ 44:10:8

Read Report of Law & Finance Committee as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

Lease to Mr. L.J. Carpenter of building site recommended. ✓

Mr. L. J. Carpenter, Trinity Street, has submitted Plans and Specification for the building of three Workmen's Dwellings on a vacant site on the west side of Georges Street. Mr. Carpenter is anxious to take advantage of the grant under the Housing (Additional Powers) Act. 1919, and we have approved the Plans. We recommend that a Lease for a term of 150 years at £3 per annum be granted to Mr. Carpenter.

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We recommend you to agree to the following lettings:-

Patrick Smyth, West St. ✓

Patrick Smyth, West Street. Lease for 31 years at £10 per annum of Yard and Store, Old Abbey Lane.

Miss Mary Finglass, Francis Street. ✓

Miss Mary Finglas, Francis Street. Lease for 15 years at £1 per annum of Thatched Cottage, Francis Street.

Messrs. McDonagh & Boland appointed Insurance Brokers to the Corporation.

Upon their application we have agreed to appoint Messrs McDonagh & Boland, Insurance Brokers, Dame Street, Dublin, as Insurance Brokers for the management of your Insurance business. This appointment will not entail any expense on the Corporation.

We have received copy of the Fair Rent Order under the Land Acts fixing a Judicial Rent of £42:10:10 per annum on a holding of Mrs. Kate McDonnell at St. James's. The old rent was £32:15:4 and the area a. 21 : r. 1 : p. 8 (Statute)

Dated 21st June 1920.

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The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Allen.

Mr J.J. Burke appointed B.S. pro. tem.

It was unanimously agreed to appoint Mr. J. J. Burke to temporarily carry on the duties of Borough Surveyor at £20 per month.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Mullen moved and Councillor P. Carroll seconded:-

"That having failed to secure the proper attention of the Borough Surveyor's Staff to complaints lodged by Members of the Council, the Council hereby decide to appoint a Committee to supervise the work of this Department, which Committee shall consider all such complaints and suggestions, and where necessary secure proper attention thereto."

His Worship the Mayor moved as an Amendment, Alderman Halpin seconding:-

"That this Council instructs the Town Clerk to keep a Book into which he shall write all complaints, enquiries and suggestions from Members of the Council relative to the Corporate Staff and the working of the various Departments under their charge, and that Members of the Council furnish in writing to the Town Clerk particulars of all such complaints, enquiries and suggestions at least three clear days before the day of Council Meeting at which such business will be dealt with."

Councillor Mullen having withdrawn his Notice of Motion, the Amendment was put as a substantive motion and declared carried unanimously.

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Rooney was withdrawn:-

"That the situation created by the growing disorganization of the railway transport services be considered in relation to the question of food supplies of the town."

Motion re Milk Prices.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Rooney moved:-

"That this Council consider the question of milk prices in Drogheda"

and the following addendum was added:- "and that the Town Keepers Association be asked to furnish a statement as to Milk prices to the meeting of the Sanitary Authority"

Councillor Thornhill having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried

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Ryan Manufacturing & Construction Co Ltd. Committee appointed to inspect Houses

carried unanimously.

Letter read from the Ryan Manufacturing and Construction Co. Ltd. ~~together~~ submitting Plans & Specification in connection with the "Orion" System of house construction under the Housing of the Working Classes (I) Acts 1890 to 1919 and the Housing (Additional Powers) Act 1919, together with an invitation to inspect Houses constructed upon the "Orion" system at Clontarf.

Mr Burke and Alderman McDonnell were appointed a Committee to inspect the Houses at Clontarf.

Letter read from G.N.R.Co. intimating their intention to run Sunday trains from Drogheda to Laytown at 10 p.m.

It was agreed to ask the G.N.R.Co. to run a Sunday train starting at 2.30 p.m.

P. Murphy Chairman

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 20th day of July, 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)

Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, T. Halpin, J. Stanley,

Councillors:- P. Carroll, J. Fitzhenry, T. Carroll, H. Balfe, F. Bateson, H. Thornhill, T.J. Elcock, R. Webster, E. Mullen.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Read Report of Law & Finance Committee as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

Tenders for - Timber ✓

We beg to report that we obtained tenders for a supply of Timber. The lowest being that of the Dublin Timber & Cement Co. Ltd. at £140 which we recommend you to accept.

Carbolic.

We had before us quotations for a supply of Carbolic, and we recommend that the Tender of Mr. L.J. Healy, West Street, at 11d per gallon, and Mr. J. Murray, Dublin, at 6/3 per gallon be accepted.

We recommend that Mr. John Moran, Foreman, be granted an increase in wages of 5/- per week, making his total wages £3:4:0.

Lease to Mr P. McNamara, Shop Street

We have agreed with Mr. Peter McNamara, Shop Street, to grant him a Lease for a term of 75 years of the vacant premises No. 24 Shop Street, the store at the rere thereof, the premises in his own occupation, and premises, Dyer St. at a rent of £35 with an expenditure of £2,600. Mr McNamara submitted Plans and Specifications of the proposed improvements which we approved of. We recommend you to agree to the making of a Lease to Mr McNamara.

We have received copy of the Fair Rent Order under the Land Acts fixing a Judicial rent of £35:0:0 ~~per~~ annum on a holding of Mrs Esther Greene at Yellowbatter. The old rent was £23:0:3 and the area a. 22: r. 2: per. 7 (Statute).

Dated 5th July, 1920. P. O'Muireadhaigh, Chairman

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Halpin.

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Murphy

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Murphy, the following report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the establishment of a Night Watch was unanimously ~~adopted~~ approved.

"Gentlemen,

We held 2 meetings to discuss the question of establishing a Night Watch for the town. We considered the matter very carefully and found it would be necessary to appoint at least six men to do the work properly. The duty of the men would be confined to the centre of the town in looking after Stores and business establishments. The wages of these men would probably amount to between £800 and £900 per annum, and in view of the state of your Finances we cannot see our way to recommend you to incur such an expenditure.

Dated 6th July 1920. P. O'Muireagáin. Chairman"

Establishment of Night Watch not recommended. ✓

Pursuant to Notice of motion, His Worship the Mayor, moved, and Alderman Murphy, seconded:-

(1) "That with a view to preventing the collection of Income Tax by British ~~Agents~~ 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".

Collection of Income Tax.

Motion re. ✓

Councillor Webster moved a direct negative, Councillor Thornhill seconding.

The motion having been put was declared carried, by 11 votes to 2, Councillors Webster & Thornhill voting against it.

Permission having been given to amend his original ~~Amount to~~ Notice of motion, His Worship the Mayor moved:-

That where more than one insertion of any advertisement is published by the Corporation the ~~first insertion~~ be in the Irish language and the second in the English."

Advertisements in Irish Language. ✓

Councillor Fitzhenry having seconded, the same was put and declared carried unanimously.

Upon the reading of Resolutions from the Catholic Total Abstinence ~~Society~~ Federation of Ireland, it was ordered that the same be sent to

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to the local Commandant of the Irish Volunteers to deal with.

Drogheda N. T. Association

Letter read from Drogheda National Teachers' Association enclosing copy of an address delivered at Annual Congress. No order made.

Memorial from Larkin release Committee

Letter from Larkin Release Committee enclosing Memorial for signature by Members of the Council.

Ordered that the Memorial be tabled for signature by Members of the Council.

Municipal Authorities Association ✓

His Worship the Mayor and Town Clerk were appointed as Delegates to attend the Annual Conference of Municipal Authorities to be held in Dublin on the 14th & 15th September next.

Letter from James Kinnaird, Newfoundwell, in relation to prices charged by Dairyowners for Milk, read.

No order made.

Association of Secondary Teachers.

Resolution from Association of Secondary Teachers, Ireland, ~~read~~, requesting that only bona fide professional teachers be appointed to educational or scholastic classes in Technical Schools, read.

No order made.

P. O'Muireagáin

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August 3.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Board House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 3rd day of August, 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- T. Halfpenny, J. McDonnell, P. E. Allen, J. Stanley.

Councillors:- C. Carroll, T. Carroll, T. Bateson, H. Calfe, R. Murdock, J. Thornhill, J. Davis, L. J. Elcock.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered — Borough Fund £1175: 13: 10
Public Library 4: 10: 8

Report of Law & Finance Committee read:-

"Gentlemen

We beg to report that we have taken up possession of the Old Jail premises from the Murphy Lubricants & Specialities Co. Ltd. Mr. C. M. Markey, Hospital, Clogherhead, - who is presently in possession under a Caretaker's Agreement - has applied for a Lease and submitted Plans & Specifications of new buildings which he proposes to erect for the purpose of his industry. We recommend that Mr. Markey be granted a lease for a term of 75 years at a rent of £40 per annum with with a covenant in the Lease that the external walls and roof of the Old Jail shall not be interfered with.

Old Jail premises.

Application for Lease by Mr. C. M. Markey.

We had before us tenders for repairs to Mr. J. A. Inglis' house at St. James's, and having regard to the amount to be expended we thought it advisable to ask Mr. Inglis to take out a Lease. We recommend that a Lease for a term of 31 years at the yearly rent of £25, being a reduction of £5 upon the rent fixed as a yearly tenancy, be granted to Mr. Inglis.

Lease to Mr. J. A. Inglis. St. James's

Messrs. Galbraith Ltd. held a tenement in Bessonwell Lane under a Lease which expired in 1896. The expiration of the Lease was not noted until March last & the tenant

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continued paying the rent reserved under the old Lease £4: 10: 6 per annum. We recommend that a renewal of the Lease be granted to Messrs. Galbraith Ltd. for a term of 31 years at £15 per annum.

We have agreed to the following sittings which we recommend you to approve.

Messrs. A. Murdock & Sons Ltd. Store on South Quay; yearly tenancy at £15 per annum. As the lease of adjoining premises in possession of Messrs. Murdock will expire in 1923 we have decided to postpone the making of a new Lease of the Stone until then so as to include both holdings in the one Lease.

Messrs. A. Murdock & Sons Ltd. South Quay. Lease postponed.

Nicholas Winters, Newfoundwell. Licensed house and premises Newfoundwell. Lease for 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £12: 10/-.

Leases to N. Winters Newfoundwell

Thomas Kehoe, Coolagh Street. House and garden on the West side Coolagh Street. Lease for 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £1: 10.

Thomas Kehoe Coolagh Street

We recommend you to accept a quotation of L. J. Healy West Street, for six dozen 40z. Glass Jars with screw tops at 4/9 per dozen. These Glass Jars are required by the I. S. O. for the taking of samples under the Food & Drugs Acts.

Purchase of Glass Jars.

The Road Roller which is presently working for the Navan Urban Council is in need of repairs. We have received a tender from Messrs. Gilbert Bros. Navan, quoting a sum of £46: 8: 4 for overhauling, fitting new wheels, and repairing the Engine. We have arranged that the new wheels be sent on to Navan to be fitted there. We recommend you to accept the Tender of Messrs. Gilbert Bros.

Repairs to Road Roller.

We have received a tender of Patrick Hogan Duleek Street quoting a sum of £10: 10 for repairs to cottages Trinity Street, which we recommend you to accept.

Repairs to Cottages.

We have received an application from the Drogheda Branch of National Federation of Building Trades Operatives requesting that the recent award in wages of 2½d per hour on existing rates from the 1st July

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Increase in Wages to Corporation Tradesmen.

1st July be extended to the Tradesmen employed by the Corporation. We recommend that the application be acceded to, and extended to your Tradesmen viz:- Peter Lennon, Water Works Department, making his total wages £1. 2.4 and Thomas Markey, Carpenter, 2/0½ per hour for a 47½ hour week.

Mr. P.J. Caffrey. Dublin Rd. Premises. Committee appointed to inquire into the matter.

We had under consideration the question of preventing the recurrence of Mr. P.J. Caffrey's premises Dublin Road, which was recently the subject of an action in the Courts and we appointed Alderman McDonnell & Councillor T. Carroll in company with Mr. Burke to inspect the place and interview Mr. Caffrey on the matter. The Committee appointed have submitted a report recommending that a concrete kerb 6" x 12" high be constructed for a distance of about 7 yards at the entrance to Mr. Caffrey's house on the inside of the path; that the pathway be concreted for a distance of 24 yds. from the Laundry gate, and that two additional gullies be put in the Water Channel. We recommend you to agree to the suggestions of the Sub-Committee and have the work carried out."

Report of Committee

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Alderman McDonnell.

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Allen, the following report of the Gas Works Committee was unanimously adopted:-

"Gentlemen,

Station Meter Tested.

We had the Station meter at Works tested by a meter tester from Dublin, when it was found to be 9% fast. The meter was adjusted and verified correct and a certificate of test received from Mr. Bartlett.

Increase in salaries of Gas Works Officials

We have received an application from the local Branch of the National Union of Local Government Officials for increase in salaries of James Rice, C. McAllister and John Forman and we recommend the following increases to date from 17th June, the date of the first application:- James Rice Collector, increase of £30, making total salary £130; Charles McAllester, Rental Clerk, £26, total salary £130; John Forman, Delivery & Stores Clerk, £26, total salary £117.

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In order to keep up our stock of coal we ordered a trial cargo of Northumberland Unscreened Gas Coal at 56/- per ton c.i.f. from messrs. Fisher & Son Ltd. Newry."

Irish Language.

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Fitzhenry was moved by His Worship the Mayor:-

1. That from this date applicants for any position in the gift of this Corporation who possess a spoken and written knowledge of the Irish Language shall get the preference - other qualifications being equal.

2. That the Town Clerk be directed to have the headings on all future supplies of Stationery printed in the Irish Language & Character."

Alderman Halpin having seconded the same was put and declared carried unanimously.

Letter from L.G.B. re Loans & Grants.

Letter read from Local Government Board intimating that no loans or Grants from public funds will be made to any local Authority without a definite assurance that accounts will be submitted to audit and to conform to the rules and orders of the Local Government Board.

Alderman Halpin moved, Alderman McDonnell seconding that the letter be marked "read."

Marked read.

The motion was put and declared carried, Councillor Thornhill dissenting.

Servants of Council to resign positions held under the British Government

The following copy of Resolution from the Baltinglass Rural District Council was read:-

"That all servants of this Council who hold positions under the British Government (or in other words the army of occupation) be ordered to resign same at once."

Councillor T. Bateson moved and Councillor T. Carroll seconded that the resolution be adopted.

Councillor Murdock moved as an amendment, Alderman Allen seconding, that the Resolution be marked "Read."

On a division there voted:-

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For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
Aldermen - Allen	His Worship the Mayor
Councillors:- Davis, Elcock, Murdock Thornhill (5)	Aldermen:- Halpin, Stanley, McDonnell. Councillors:- Balfe, P. Carroll, T. Carroll T. Carroll. (8)

The amendment was declared lost by 8 votes to 5.

Town Clerk, Annual Holidays.

Application of Town Clerk for annual holidays read. The same was unanimously granted on the motion of Alderman Halpin, seconded by Councillor T. Carroll

Drogheda Athletic Club. Purchase of Field. ✓

Letter read from Drogheda Athletic Co. asking the Council to meet a deputation with a view to the purchasing of a field Dublin Road.

It was agreed to meet the deputation at the next meeting of the Council.

Condolence Death of Peter McNamara.

On the motion of Councillor Elcock seconded by Alderman Stanley a vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with the Widow & Family of the late Peter McNamara Shop Street.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, the 17th day of August, 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- J. E. Murphy, T. Halpin, J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen.

Councillors:- P. Carroll, T. Carroll, F. Bateson, H. Balfe, J. Fitzhenry, D. Reddan, R. Webster, J. J. Callan, E. Mullen.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes Wages.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed. Wages sheet examined and passed.

Drogheda Athletic Club. Purchase of Field ✓

A deputation from the Drogheda Athletic Co. appeared before the Council in support of their application for the purchase or lease of the field, Dublin Road.

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor P. Carroll it was unanimously agreed to refer the matter to the Law & Finance Committee.

Resolutions rescinded. ✓

Pursuant to Notice of motion Alderman Halpin moved, Alderman Murphy seconding:

"That the following resolutions passed by the Drogheda Corporation on 8th May, 1916, be rescinded and struck out of the Minute Book:-

(1) Proposed by Alderman Elcock, seconded by Alderman Drew

That this Corporation, the majority of whose members have been identified from the days of O'Connell with the constitutional movement for the obtaining of self-government for Ireland, desires to place on record its condemnation of the recent futile and deplorable occurrences in Dublin and elsewhere by which men who have been the avowed enemies of the Irish constitutional movement have sought to inflict grave injury on that movement and we desire to tender to Mr. John Redmond and the Irish Parliamentary Party this expression of our continued confidence in them and the means and methods they have employed so successfully to secure Home Rule for our country.

(2) Proposed by Councillor McGowan, seconded by Councillor Lynch.

That

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That we suggest to the Leader of the Irish Parliamentary Party the advisability of recommending to the Government the disarment of all Volunteer Bodies throughout Ireland."

The motion was put and declared carried, Councillor Webster dissenting.

Pursuant to notice of motion Alderman Murphy moved and Councillor T. Carroll seconded:-

Re-naming of Streets in Gaelic.

"That a Committee be appointed to consider the re-naming, in Gaelic, of the the Streets of the Borough with a view to helping to perpetuate the memory of great Irishmen and Irishwomen and the memory of Irish Historical events"

Committee appointed ✓

The motion having been put was declared carried unanimously, and the following were appointed as a Committee: His Worship the Mayor: Aldermen: Murphy & Halpin. Councillors: McCann & Fitzhenry.

Letter read from Under Secretary, Dublin Castle. in relation to Grants to Local Authorities.

No order made.

The following report was read from J. J. Burke, Borough Surveyor, pro. tem.

Report from J. J. Burke re repairs to roads and Water channels. ✓

"Gentlemen:-

I am receiving numerous complaints about the condition of the roads and Water Channels within the Borough. The latter is being attended to, but it will be some time yet before the work is finished.

Arrangements are being made to have a supply of ~~[illegible]~~ stones broken by a Steam Crusher at "Tom Rod's" point and conveyed by motor lorry to the roads in order to have the principal roads repaired with as little delay as possible, but owing to the delay in having necessary repairs carried out to the Roller it is difficult to say when the work will be commenced.

I append correspondence received from Messrs. Aveling & Porter and the Castle Hill Quarries."

No Order made

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Freedom of Borough. Most Rev. Dr. Mannix. ✓

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor T. Carroll it was unanimously decided to confer the Freedom of the Borough upon Most Rev. Dr. Mannix, Arch Bishop of Melbourne.

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August 21st

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday the 21st day of August, 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, T. Halpin, J.J. McDonnell, B.E. Allen, J.J. Stanley,
Councillors:- J. Carroll, J. Fitzhenry, F. Bateson, H. Balfe, P. McEvoy,
P. Carroll, J.C. Thornhill, R. Webster, J. McCabe, J.J. Ballan,
E. Mullen, E. Rooney, P. McNamara.

The Notice convening the meeting having been read
Pursuant to Notice of Motion His Worship the Mayor moved
and Councillor J. Fitzhenry seconded:-

Control of monies in possession of Council.

"That a Committee consisting of the Mayor, Aldermen Murphy and Halpin be and are hereby appointed to control all monies in possession, or which may come into possession of the Council, and that all officials of the Council be and are hereby instructed to dispose of such monies as may come into their possession on behalf of the Council as directed by the said Committee."

Committee appointed

An amendment by Councillor Webster - that the matter be referred to the Law & Finance Committee for a further report, fell through for want of a seconder.

The motion having been put was declared carried Councillors Webster & Thornhill dissenting.

Hunger Strike of Cork Prisoners

A communication from the Deputy Lord Mayor of Cork drawing attention to the fact that there were 30 untried prisoners in Cork Jail who were on Hunger Strike and that their condition was grave, was read.

Resolution re

Alderman Murphy moved and Councillor Ballan seconded that the following telegram be sent to the Home Secretary, English Government:-

Lord Mayor of Cork.

"That in the event of his death we, in common with the rest of the people of Ireland, will hold each member of the English Government personally responsible for the murder of the Lord Mayor of Cork."

P. O'Muireadhaigh

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September 7th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 7th day of September 1920

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan.)
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, J.J. McDonnell, T. Halpin, J. Stanley.
Councillors:- J. Fitzhenry, P. McEvoy, E. Mullen, J. McCabe, J.J. Ballan, J. Carroll,
F. Bateson, P. Carroll, J. MacQuillan, H. Balfe.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held on 17th & 21st August were read and confirmed

Wages
Payments.

Wages Sheet examined and passed
Payments ordered - Borough Fund £4635:16:2
Public Library £ 15:15:2.

Adjourned.

His Worship the Mayor proposed that the meeting do stand adjourned as a protest against the treatment meted out to the Lord Mayor of Cork in Brixton Jail, and the other Hunger Strikers in Cork Jail.

Protest against treatment of Hunger Strikers.

Councillor Fitzhenry having seconded, the same was put and declared carried unanimously.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 21st day of September, 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, ~~J. Fitzhenry~~ J. Halpin, J. McDonnell, J. Stanley.
Councillors:- J. Fitzhenry, P. Carroll, H. Balfe, T. Carroll, F. Bateson, P. McCann, E. Rooney, R. Webster, T. McCabe, E. Mullen, P. McNamara.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Read Report of Law & Finance Committee as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

Mr. John Smart Application for Fair Rent refused

Some time ago Mr. John Smart went into Court to have a Fair Rent fixed on his holding at St. James', but the County Court Judge refused the application; subsequently Mr. Smart served notice of Appeal. We decided to ask Mr. Smart and his Solicitor, Mr. McKeever, to have an interview with your Committee to see if the question of rent and tenure could not be settled without going into Court.

Lease recommended

As a result of this interview we have agreed to grant Mr. Smart a Lease of his holding for a term of 31 years at the yearly rent of £37:10/- which we recommend you to approve.

Mr. E. Thornton Lease.

We recommend that Mr. E. Thornton, Coolagh Street, be granted a Lease of house and garden in his occupation for a term of 31 years from the 29th September next at the yearly rent of £5 with a covenant in the Lease requiring him to expend the sum of £60 upon repairs.

Yearly tenancy to Mr. M. Moonan.

We have agreed to make a yearly tenancy to Mr. Matthew Moonan of two old thatched houses in his possession at North Road at the yearly rent of £1, on the condition that he will carry out all repairs and pay rates and taxes.

We have agreed to grant an increase of 5/- per week to Charles Balfe, Stonebreaker, making his total wages 25/- per week.

We have accepted an Estimate of Mr. James Cooney, Dominick Street, quoting £8 for building new body and shoeing wheels of Hand Cart."

Dated 23rd August, 1920. P. O'Quinneacaiz, "Chairman"

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship

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Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman McDonnell.

Notice of Audit.

Upon the reading of a communication from the Local Government Auditor, E.P. McCarron, intimating his intention to commence the Audit of the Accounts on 27th instant, His Worship the Mayor moved and Alderman Murphy seconded - "That the Town Clerk be instructed not to submit the books of the Council for audit by a Local Government Auditor".

Town Clerk instructed not to submit the books to L.G. Auditor

The Resolution having been put was declared carried, Councillor Webster dissenting.

Meeting adjourned. Protest against treatment of Hunger Strikers, and sack of Balbriggan.

His Worship the Mayor moved and Councillor T. Carroll seconded that the meeting do stand adjourned as a protest against the treatment meted out to the Lord Mayor of Cork in Brixton Jail and the other Hunger Strikers in Cork Jail, and also against the atrocities committed in the town of Balbriggan by the Armed Forces of the British Government.

The same having been put was declared carried unanimously.

The remaining business on the agenda was adjourned to next meeting.

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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 5th day of October 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor

Aldermen:- J.E. murphy, T. Halpin, J. McDonnell, B.E. allen, J. Stanley.

Councillors:- P. Carroll, J. Fitzhenry, J. Bateson, H. Balfe, P. McCann, J. Davis, H. Thornhill, R. Murdock, E. Mullen, R. Webster, J.J. Callan, D. Reddan, T. McCabe, T. Carroll, T. MacQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. — Payments ordered - Borough Fund £3,637: 13: 5

Public Library £ 8: 2: 8

Read Report of Law & Finance Committee as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

Lease to Mr. J. Curtis, Shop St recommended

We have been in correspondence with Mr. J. Curtis, Shop Street, regarding the condition of his premises, and we recommend you to grant him a Lease for a term of 75 years from the 29th September 1920, at the yearly rent of £5 upon the condition that he expends the sum of £1000 upon permanent improvements within a period of two years from date of execution of Lease and enters into a Bond for a like amount for the carrying out of the work.

Lease to Mr. C. Mc Dermott Shop St, recommended

We recommend that Mr. C. Mc Dermott, Shop Street be granted a Lease for a term of 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £7 of a Yard in his possession in John Street.

Weekly letting to Mr E. Thornton

We have made a weekly letting to Mr E. Thornton, Coolagh St., of a small garden adjoining his premises at a rent of 5/- per year.

We have been in negotiation with Mr. Thomas McCullough, George's St. for a Lease of the Licensed house in his possession. The Lease of these premises expired on the 25th March last, and the old rent was £11: 8: 8 per annum. After protracted negotiations we offered to grant Mr. McCullough a Lease for a term of 31 years at £20 per annum, but Mr. McCullough would not agree to offer more than £20 per annum. The Valuer Mr. Mooran fixed the rent at £10 per year. As your Committee cannot see their way to accept Mr. McCullough's offer we await your instructions in the matter.

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Dated 20th September 1920. P. O'Muireagain, Chairman"

His Worship the mayor moved and Alderman Murphy seconded that the report be adopted.

Alderman Stanley moved and Councillor Bateson seconded that the matter of Mr. T. McCullough's tenancy be referred to the Law Agent for a report to the Law & Finance Committee.

Councillor Davis moved as an amendment Councillor McCabe seconding, that the case of Mr. Thomas McCullough's be referred back to the Law & Finance Committee for one month.

On a division there voted:-

For the amendment:-	Against the amendment:-
Alderman Halpin	His Worship the mayor,
Councillors:- Reddan, Davis, Webster,	Aldermen:- Allen, Murphy, Stanley, McDonnell.
T. MacQuillan, J.J. Callan, T. McCabe	Councillors:- McCann, Mullen, Balfe, P. Carroll,
Murdock, Thornhill (9)	Fitzhenry, T. Carroll, Bateson. (12)

The Amendment was declared lost by 12 votes to 9.

Read Reports of Gas Works Committee dated 1st September and 29th Sept. respectively as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

Increase in Wages to men employed in Gas Works.

We beg to report that we have received an application from the National Federation of Building Trades' Operatives for an increase of 2½d per hour for tradesmen employed in the Gas Works. We have agreed to accede to the demand and recommend that John Valet, Plumber & Gas Fitter, be awarded 2½d per hour increase in his wages to date from 1st July last."

Dated 1st Sept. 1920."

Gentlemen,

Increase in price of Coke

We beg to report that we have found it necessary to increase the price of Coke from £3: 13: 4 to £3: 16: 8 per ton owing to increase in Railway freight on Coal.

We recommend an increase of 10/- per week to John O'Neill, Gas Fitter, making his total wages £3 per week.

Public Lighting

We recommend that the same number of public lamps be lighted as last year - 39. in addition to the six lamps lighted the whole year round.

The question of painting Gas Holders by men ordinarily employed in the yard was discussed at several meetings. The local Painter's Society claimed it was Painter's work. The Committee could not accept this view as the work is done in all Gas Works by Yardmen. The Dockers' Union have prohibited their members from doing the work, and the Committee is ~~so am~~ unanimously of

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of the opinion that Painters ought not be employed on the job on account of higher cost, and in order that it may be in a position to retain the full staff during summer months.

The action of the Mayor in refusing to accede to the demand of the Dockers' Union for an extra man per shift discharging s.s. Eden was endorsed.

The supply of Coal at present in Stock will enable us to carry on till the end of January.

Dated 29th September 1920. P. O'Quinn Cairn, Chairman"

The Reports were unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor Seconded by Alderman Allen.

A Report was read from J. J. Burke submitting a statement of expenditure in the Borough Surveyor's Department for the half year ended 30th September. No order made.

Conference re Dail Eireann scheme for combined purchase by Local Bodies

Letter read from Louth County Council requesting representatives to be appointed to attend a Conference in Dundalk in connection with a Scheme promoted by Dail Eireann for combined purchasing by Local Bodies.

His Worship the Mayor and Councillor P. Carroll were appointed as Delegates to represent the Corporation at the Conference.

Resignation of Councillor E Rooney from Committees.

Letter read from Councillor E. Rooney resigning membership of Law & Finance, Gas Works and Housing Committees.

The Resignation was accepted, and it was agreed to fill the vacancies on the Committees at the next Council meeting, notice to be inserted on the Agenda.

Conciliation Boards

Letter read from Minister of Labour, Dail Eireann, enclosing copy of Scheme for establishment of permanent Conciliation Boards to settle Labour disputes. No order made.

Resolution re Belfast pogrom

A Letter from Minister of Local Government Dept., Dail Eireann, enclosing copy of Resolution adopted by the General Council of County Councils, in re the Belfast pogrom was read.

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor, Seconded by Councillor McLabe the Resolution was unanimously adopted.

Letter read from D Labour Minister, Dail Eireann, regarding the finding

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finding of employment for ex-members of the R.I.C. who have resigned

No order made.

Inquests.

Letter from Minister of L.G. Department, Dail Eireann re holding of Inquests by Coroners, read.

It was decided to send a copy of the letter to the Coroner, Mr M. J. Kierans.

Housing.

Circular letters from Housing Department Local Government Board (1) re Grants to private persons building houses under the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919, and (2) re Increase of Rent & mortgage Interest (Restriction) Act, 1920, read.

No order made.

Letter read from Irish Federation D. & D. S. & S. (Drogheda Branch) re applying to Ministry of Transport for a Grant for Road and Street improvement.

It was agreed to offer no objection to the employment of ex-servicemen upon this work provided a Grant were obtained from the ministry of Transport.

Resolution re calling of American vessels at Cork Harbour

A Resolution from the Cork Industrial Development Association re calling of American passenger Vessels at Cork Harbour was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor Seconded by Alderman Allen.

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A Resolution from the Cork Corporation requesting the Government of the Irish Republic to establish in Dublin an Irish Board of Film Censors was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Stanley.

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Letter read from Mrs. McNamara & family returning thanks for vote of Condolence passed with them upon the death of the late Mr. Peter McNamara

Condolence.

Upon the motion of Alderman Allen seconded by Alderman Murphy a vote of condolence was passed with the relatives of the late John Kenny, Night Watchman.

P. O Murnaghan

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October 19th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 3 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 19th October 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monaghan)
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, J.W. Donnell, P.E. Allen, I. Halpin, J.W. Stanley.
Councillors:- F. Bateson, H. Thornhill, R. Webster, E. Mullen, T. McCabe, J.J. Callan, P. McNamara.

Minutes
Wages.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages sheet examined and passed.

Meeting adjourned
Death of Michael Fitzgerald, one of Cork Hunger Strikers

His Worship the Mayor moved that the meeting do stand adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of Michael Fitzgerald one of the Hunger Strikers in Cork Jail who had died.

Alderman Stanley having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

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October 28th

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 8 o'clock p.m. on Thursday the 28th October 1920.

"To pass a Resolution of sympathy with the relatives of the late Lord Mayor of Cork and with the Citizens of Cork in the loss they have sustained by the death of the Lord Mayor".

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, J. McDonnell, T. Halpin, R.E. Allen, J. Stanley.
Councillors:- F. Bateson, T. Carroll, H. Balfe, P. McCann, J. Davis, T. V. McQuillan, L.J. Elcock, D. Reddan, E. Mullen, T. McCabe, J.J. Callan, P. McNamara.

Condolence.

The Notice convening the meeting having been read His Worship the Mayor moved and Councillor McCann seconded

Death of Lord Mayor of Cork.

"That this meeting, on behalf of the people of Drogheda, tenders to the relatives of the Lord Mayor of Cork, their deepest sympathy in their bereavement."

The motion having been put was declared carried unanimously.

P. O'Muineacain

1920
November 2nd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 2nd day of November 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan).
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, J. McDonnell, T. Halpin,
Councillors:- F. Bateson, T. Carroll, H. Balf, P. McCann, E. Mullen, J.J. Callan, E. Rooney, T. McCabe, J. Davis, R. Murdock.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes

The Minutes of the 2 last meetings were read and confirmed.

Wages

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments.

Payments ordered - Borough Fund £1449: 15: 0
Public Library £ 8: 8: 8

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Murphy the following report of the Law & Finance Committee was unanimously adopted:-

Leases.

"Gentlemen — We recommend that Leases be granted to:-

Miss Gibney
Hardmans Gar.

(1) Miss Gibney, House & garden on the East side of Hardman's Garden, for a term of 21 years from the 29th September last at the yearly rent of £3.

Captain Knaggs
Duke Street

(2.) Captain Knaggs, small bit of ground on the west side of Duke Street, for a term of 46 years at the yearly rent of £3: 9: 2.

Corn Exchange

We have agreed to the establishment of a Corn Exchange to be held on Wednesdays in the Vestibule of the Court House, and have arranged to hire Tables to the Corn Buyers at £3: 3: 0 each.

Dated 18th October 1920. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman".

A Report of the Local Government Auditor, together with Abstract of Accounts, upon the Audit of the Accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for year ending 31st March 1920 was submitted. No order made.

Advertisements
Copy to be sent to
An Misneach

In the absence of Councillor Fitzhenry ~~a Notice~~ the following Notice of Motion standing in his name was moved by His Worship the Mayor:-

"That for the future any advertisements sent from this Corporation to the Dublin Papers, a copy of such advertisement shall be sent to the Gaelic League Organ, 'An Misneach'."

Alderman

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Alderman McDonnell having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Appointments to Committees

The following were unanimously appointed on the Committees resigned by Councillor Rooney:-

Law & Finance Committee:- Councillor T. McCabe.
Gas Works Committee:- " E. Mullen.
Housing Committee:- " H. Balfe.

Lease sealed unto Messrs Lipton Ltd. Shop St.

A Lease was this day sealed unto Messrs Lipton Ltd. of House, Shop and premises on the west side of Shop Street for a term of 31 years from the 29th September, 1919, at the yearly rent of £175 covenants to ~~insure~~ expend the sum of £175 upon repairs and to insure in the sum of £2,000.

Abstract of Accounts to be sent to LG. Dept. Dept Dressing

Letter read from Local Government Department, Dail Eireann, requesting copy of Abstract of Accounts for year ending 31st March, 1920.

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor T. Carroll it was unanimously decided to comply with the request.

Letter read from Trade Department, Dail Eireann, asking for Statement of goods purchased by the Corporation.

Ordered, that the necessary particulars be furnished.

Letter read from Ministry of Transport intimating that they were not in position to make a grant to Drogheda for the employment of ex-servicemen upon the repair of Roads & Streets. No order made.

Food Emergency Committee appointed

Letter read from Secretary, Central Food Emergency Committee, Dublin Corporation, requesting the formation of a Food Emergency Committee, to meet the difficulties regarding food supplies which would be occasioned by a stoppage of railway transit.

It was unanimously agreed to appoint His Worship the Mayor, Alderman McDonnell, and Councillors McCabe, Callan & Webster to act as a Food Emergency Committee with power to add to their numbers.

Letter from Drogheda Workers' Council re Control of Stock of Coal in town owing to Coal Strike, read. No order made.

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Application for increase in Wages.

Letter read from National Union of Dock, Riverside & General Workers and Irish Transport & General Workers Unions, for an increase of 15/- per week on the present wages of the Corporation employees.

In view of the wishes of the Ministry of Labour, Dail Eireann, it was decided to set up a Conciliation Board to deal with the matter.

Conciliation Board appointed.

Councillor Rooney, thereupon proposed and Councillor McCabe seconded that the following Members be appointed to represent the Corporation on the Conciliation Board:- His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Murphy & McDonnell.

Councillor Davis proposed as an Amendment, Councillor Murdock seconding, that the matter be referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

On a division there voted:-

For the amendment	Against the Amendment
Councillors:- McCann, Davis, Callan & Murdock (4).	Aldermen, Murphy, Hatkin. Councillors:- Mullen, Balfe, McCabe, J. Carroll, Baker, Rooney (8)

Alderman McDonnell declined to vote.

The Amendment was declared lost by 8 votes to 4.

Alderman McDonnell proposed as a further amendment, Alderman Murphy seconding, that the members of the Law & Finance Committee be appointed to represent the Council on the Conciliation Board.

On a division there voted.

For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
Aldermen:- Murphy, Hatkin, McDonnell. Councillors:- McCann, Davis, Callan, Baker, Murdock (8)	Councillors:- Mullen, Balfe, McCabe, Carroll, Rooney (5)

Alderman McDonnell's amendment was then put as a substantive motion, and agreed to as being carried by the same voting as took place upon it as an Amendment.

Condolence. Death of Kevin Fitzgerald Barry.

His Worship the Mayor proposed and Alderman Murphy seconded a vote of sympathy upon the death of Kevin Fitzgerald Barry who was executed at Mountjoy Jail on November 1st.

The same was put and passed unanimously.

P. O'Muireadhaigh

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November 16th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 16th November 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Alderman:- J.E. Murphy, J.McDonnell, B.E. Allen, T. Halpin, J.M. Stanley.
Councillors:- H. Balfe, F. Bateson, P. McCann, J. Davis, J.C. Thornhill, R. Murdock, R. Webster, T.V. MacQuillan, L.J. Elcock, J. J. Callan, T. McCabe, T. Carroll, E. Rooney.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

Payment of principal & Interest on Board of Works recommended to be witheld. — We beg to report that we have had before us an Account from the Board of Works for Interest and Principal to the 31st October, 1920, on the Sewerage and Artisan's Dwellings Loans amounting to £362:4:6. and having regard to the fact that the Government have witheld the Grants we recommend you to withold payment of this Account.

Concreting — We have received a joint application from James Gray and James Cooney to have the Footpath in front of their premises in Dominick Street concreted and offering to pay half the cost. The acting Borough Surveyor reported that it would be necessary to pave the water channel, and that if Messrs Gray and Cooney bore half the cost of concreting a slight saving would be effected. We have agreed to accede to the application.

Miss M. A. Bredin. Surrender of Lease. — Miss M.A. Bredin has offered to surrender the balance of the term - 2½ years - of the Leases of property in Termonfeckin Road, Bredin St. and Old Hill. As this property consists of old thatched mud wall cabins we recommend you ~~to~~ not to take over the property until the expiration of the Leases.

Increase in wages. — As directed at last meeting we met the Employees representatives to discuss the demand for an increase of 15/- per week on their present wages. After a very lengthy discussion we agreed to recommend an increase of 6/- per week to date from first pay day after date of application. This increase affects the Gas Works and Water Works employees as well as the Scavengers and Carters. The Employees representatives agreed to the proposal.

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Assignments. J. Leland to P. Downey. Boyne S. & W. Co to Boyne W. & Finishing Co. — We have agreed to Assignments from (1) John Leland to Peter Downey of premises on the west side of Stockwell Lane, Lease No. 1290, and (2) from the Boyne Spinning & Weaving Co. Ltd. to the Boyne Weaving & Finishing Co. Ltd. of plot of ground in Bredin Street, Lease No. 1337.

Dated 1st November, 1920. P. O'Minnecaiz, Chairman

His Worship the Mayor stated that as the employees in the Gas Works Department had not accepted the increase in wages recommended the entire matter would now be referred to arbitration.

His Worship the Mayor moved and Councillor Bateson seconded the adoption of the Report, save the paragraph relating to increase in wages.

Councillor Thornhill moved as an amendment, Councillor Davis seconding - "That the first paragraph in the Report dealing with the repayments of Principal & Interest on the Board of Works Loans be referred back to the Law & Finance Committee.

On a division there voted:-

For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
Alderman Allen.	Alderman:- Murphy, Halpin, McDonnell
Councillors:- Davis, Elcock, Webster, McQuillan, Callan, Murdock, Thornhill (8)	Councillors:- McCann, Balfe, McCabe, Carroll T., Bateson, Rooney (9)

Alderman Stanley declined to vote.

The amendment was declared lost by 8 votes to 9, and the Report was adopted.

Councillor Thornhill retires — Councillor Thornhill thereupon retired from the meeting.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion, Councillor McCabe moved and Councillor Rooney seconded - (1) "That any Resolutions in the Books ordering the weekly half-holiday to be held on Thursday and the weekly Market on Saturday be rescinded".

(2) "That this Council order that in future the weekly market be held on Friday and the weekly half-holiday be held on Saturday."

The Town Clerk read a letter from the Drogheda Chamber of Commerce pointing out that any alteration in the Market Day would have a most disastrous effect upon the trade and Commerce of the town.

Councillor Elcock moved a direct negative, Alderman Murphy seconding.

On a division there voted

For the motion	Against the motion
Alderman - Stanley	Alderman:- Murphy, Halpin, McDonnell, Allen
Councillors:- Balfe, McCabe & Rooney (4).	Councillors:- McCann, Davis, Elcock, Webster, McQuillan, Callan, Carroll T., Bateson, Murdock. (13)

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The motion was accordingly declared lost by 13 votes to 4.

Arising out of a discussion upon the early closing of Licensed Houses it was agreed to ask all the Licensed Traders in the town to close at 8 o'clock p.m. on every week evening including Saturdays.

Leases.

The following Leases were this day sealed unto:-

Martin Butterly & Co Bessexwell Lane. ✓

(1) The Corporation of Drogheda and the Trustees of the St. Poor of St. John's ~~Trustees~~ unto Martin Butterly & Co. Ltd. of plot of ground with the Stores and Stables thereon on the north side of Bessexwell Lane for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1919 at the yearly rent of £13, Covenants to insure in the sum of £500.

Mrs. B. McGee, Newfoundwell. ✓

(2) Mrs. Bridget McGee, Newfoundwell, of House (2) and premises situate on the north side of Newfoundwell Road, for a term of 15 years from the 25th March 1920 at the yearly rent of £2: 9: 8, Covenants to insure in the sum of £200.

Miss A. Whitehead Newfoundwell. ✓

(3) Miss Anne Whitehead of House (2) and premises situate on the north side of Newfoundwell Road, for a term of 15 years from the 25th March 1920 at the yearly rent of £2: 12: 6, Covenants to insure in the sum of £200.

Thomas Kehoe Beamore Road. ✓

(4) Thomas Kehoe of Dwellinghouse and garden situate on the west side of Beamore Road for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1920 at the yearly rent of £7: 10: 0 covenants to insure in the sum of £400.

Patrick Smith Old Abbey Lane ✓

(5) Patrick Smith of plot of ground with the buildings thereon, known as the "Augustine Abbey" situate at Old Abbey Lane, for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1920 at the yearly rent of £10, Covenants to insure in the sum of £500.

John A. Inglis, St. James' ✓

(6) John A. Inglis of house and premises, known as St. James', situate on the south side of the Road leading to Mornington, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1920 at the yearly rent of £25, Covenants to insure in the sum of £1000.

Scheme of combined purchasing & pooling of contracts by Local Authorities approved. ✓

Letter read from Louth County Council re Scheme of combined purchasing and pooling of Contracts by Local Authorities read.

His Worship the Mayor moved and Alderman McDonnell seconded - "That we approve of the Scheme of combined purchasing by Local Authorities, and we hereby authorize the Executive Committee of the General Council of County Councils to act as Central Purchasing Committee for the Corporation of Drogheda.

Motion put and declared carried, Alderman Allen dissenting.

An application from the St. Mary's T. A. Society to have a Lamp outside

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outside their Hall lighted during the Winter Months was referred to the Gas Works Committee.

Alderman Allen proposed, Councillor McCann seconding, - "That Councillor Thornhill be asked to re-consider his decision of resigning as a member of the Council.

The resolution was put and declared carried.

P. O'Mamlaiam

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 7th day of December 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman T. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, Jas. Donnell, B.E. Allen, Jas. Hanley, T. Halpin
Councillors:- R. Murdock, P. McCann, J. Davis, R. Webster, E. Mullen, T. McCabe, J. Ballan, P. McNamara.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

Wages.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments.

Payments ordered - Borough Fund £1618: 17: 0
Public Library £ 8: 12: 8

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

We received a communication from the Dock Labourers Union intimating that the men employed in the Yard together with the Scavengers were now willing to accept the increase in wages of 6/- per week recommended by the Loan & Finance Committee but that the Stokers would not agree to less than 10/- per week increase and pointing out that the Stokers would go out on Strike on December 1st if such increase was not granted. We recommend that the men in the Yard together with the Clerical Staff, be awarded an increase in wages of 6/- per week, and the Stokers an increase of 10/- per week, to date from first payday after the date of the original application the 30th October last.

Increase in Wages.

We recommend that the price of Coke be increased from £3: 16: 8 to £4 per ton on and after Monday the 13th December.

Increase in price of Coke.

We also recommend that 3 Public Lamps be fitted and lighted at the following places viz:-

Public Lighting

1, Junction of George's St. and Patrick St; (1) Stoney Lane (1) Dublin Road.

Owing to the difficulty of procuring suitable wheels for Slot meters to represent the current price of Gas, considerable difficulty is being experienced in collecting the difference between cash in meter and the actual amount of Gas consumed at present price. We therefore recommend that where any Slot consumer refuses to pay such difference

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in Gas Account that the Gas be cut off and proceedings taken for recovery of amount due.

Dated 1st December 1920. P. O'Quinneassy, Chairman"

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Halpin.

Increase in Wages.

On the motion of Councillor McCabe seconded by Alderman Murphy it was unanimously agreed to award the Scavengers, Gas & Water Works employees the increase in wages of 6/- per week as recommended in the Report of the Loan & Finance Committee dated 1st December 1920.

Report of Borough Surveyor giving a Return of the Classification of 1st & 2nd Class Roads within the Borough in accordance with the instructions issued by the Ministry of Transport in order to obtain a grant for the improvement and maintenance of Roads under the Ministry of Transport Act, 1919, read.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

Leases.

The following Leases were this day sealed:-

Messrs Galbraith, Ltd. Besserwell Lane.

(1) Unto Messrs Galbraith Ltd. of the Stable situate at Besserwell Lane for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1920 at the yearly rent of £15, covenants to insure in the sum of £500.

Harbour Commissioners.

(2) Unto the Commissioners for improving the Port & Harbour of Drogheda of a piece of land situate on the northern side of the Road leading from Drogheda to Mornington, containing 3: ac 0: ro 32: per Statute measure or thereabouts for a term of 200 years at the yearly rent of £7: 19: 4.

Rate Collectors Lists of Arrears & Lost Rates approved.

The Rate Collectors lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates for the half year ended 30th September 1920 amounting to in respect of Arrears £156: 10: 11 and Irrecoverable Rates £215: 1: 9 were approved.

Councillor Thornhill. Resignation of.

Letter from Mr. J.C. Thornhill tendering his resignation as a Member of the Council, read.

On the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Webster it was unanimously agreed to postpone consideration of the matter for one month.

Letter from Local Government Board enclosing copy of a letter addressed to Poor Rate Collectors regarding lodgment of their Rates,

read &

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read. No order made.

Letter from Under Secretary, Dublin Castle, in relation to the sum payable from the Local Taxation (Ireland) Act read.
No order made.

Letter from Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction re Forestalling at Fairs, read.
No order made.

P. Murphy

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 21st day of December 1920.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J. E. Murphy, Jas. McDonnell, T. Halpin, Jas. Stanley.
Councillors:- P. McCann, R. Webster

Minutes
Wages.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Murphy:-

"Gentlemen,

Drogheda Athletic Club.
Purchase of field
Application refused
✓

We have had under further consideration the application of the Drogheda Athletic Co. for the purchase or lease of field, Dublin Road, for the purpose of an Athletic grounds. We caused enquiries to be made as to what available building sites were in possession of the Corporation in St. Mary's Parish, and as a result of such enquiries it was reported that there are no building sites falling into the hands of the Corporation in this district except those already ear-marked in the proposed building scheme. In view of the scarcity of building sites in St. Mary's Parish we cannot see our way to recommend you to agree to the application of the Drogheda Athletic Co.

Tenancy
Mr. W. Hughes
✓

We have again made an eleven months grazing tenancy of the field, Dublin Road, to Mr. W. Hughes March Road, on the same terms as last season, viz. £26 per acre, which we recommend you to approve.

Mrs. B. McGee
Houses at Blackbull Lane.
✓

We have agreed to grant Mrs. B. McGee, Newfoundwell, a yearly tenancy of two small thatched houses at Blackbull Lane together with a small strip of ground at the rere of houses on the west side of Duleek Street at a rent of 35/- per annum on the condition that Mrs. McGee will be responsible for repairs.

Re Lease of Dale Field
✓

The Lease of a field known as the "Dale Field" in possession of Very Rev. J. Purcell, P.P. St. Mary's expired on the 25th March last. In order that portion of the field should be retained as a building site it was deemed advisable not to make a Lease of the entire holding and we have now arranged with the Diocesan Trustees to grant a Lease for

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31 years from the 25th March last of that portion of the field adjoining the Parochial House containing 2a. 0r. 32p. (Statute) at a rent of £11 per annum, equal to £5 per acre; and to make an eleven months grazing tenancy of the remainder of the field containing 2a. 1r. 3p. at £5 per statute acre.

Dated 6th December 1920. P. O'Muireasain, Chairman"

A letter from the Irish Packing Co. Ltd. requesting to have a Lamp lighted under archway, Dublin Road, was referred to the East Works Committee.

Leases sealed unto John Smart St. James'

The following Leases were this day sealed unto:-

(1) John Smart of House, outoffices & Land being part of the Lands of St. James' containing 15a. 3r. 9p. Statute measure or thereabouts for a term of 31 years from the 29th September, 1919, at the yearly rent of £37: 10/- covenants to insure in the sum of £1000.

Edward Thornton Beamore Road.

(2) Edward Thornton, Beamore Road, of House, Offices and garden situate on the west side of Beamore Road for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1920 at the yearly rent of £5 covenants to expend the sum of not less than £60 upon improvements and to insure in the sum of £400.

Repairs to Rampart.

The question of repairing the Rampart was under discussion.

It was agreed to refer the matter to the Law Agent for a Report as to who was liable for the upkeep of the Rampart and what liability the Corporation would incur by undertaking such work.

P. O'Muireasain

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January 11th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 11th day of January, 1921.

Present:-

In the chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Macadam)

Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, T. Halpin

Councillors - P. McCann, E. Mulvey, L.J. Elcock, J. McHale, J. Hallan & P. McNamara

Minutes
Wages
Payment.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments ordered - Borough Fund. 877: 16: 8

Public Library 11: 10: 8

Resolutions from Irish County Council's General Council relative to the recent Peace Overtures and to the collection of Rates, read.

No order made.

Leases sealed unto Nicholas Winters Newfoundwell,

The following Leases were this day sealed unto:-

(1) Nicholas Winters, Newfoundwell, of licensed house and premises situate on the north side of Newfoundwell Road, for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1920 at the yearly rent of £12: 10/, covenants to insure in the sum of £500.

Mary Finglas Francis Street

(2) Mary Finglas of dwellinghouse and premises situate upon the East side of Francis Street for a term of 15 years from the 29th September, 1920, at the yearly rent of £1, covenants to insure in the sum of £150.

Ellen Gibney Hardman's Garden

(3.) Ellen Gibney and Roseanne Gibney, of house and garden situate on the East side of Hardman's Garden for a term of 21 years from the 29th September 1920 at the yearly rent of £3, covenants to insure in the sum of £300.

Condolence

Upon the motion of Alderman Halpin, seconded by Councillor T. Carroll a vote of condolence was unanimously passed with Councillor Bateson upon the deaths of his Father.

Councillor Bateson

P. O'Muireasain

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1921.
January 18th.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 5 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 18th January, 1921.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, J.W. McDonnell, T. Halpin, B.E. Allen.
Councillors:- T. Carroll, R. Murdock, P. McCann, J. Davis, R. Webster, D. Reddan, L.J. Elcock, T. McCabe, J. Hallan, T.V. McQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes - The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages - Wages Sheet examined and passed.

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Davis.

"Gentlemen,

Mr. Thos. McCullough premises in George's St. Question of rent. ✓ We have had under further consideration the question of the fixing of a rent upon Mr. Thomas McCullough's premises, George's St., the lease of which expired on the 25th March last. We offered to submit the question of rent to an Independent Valuer, but Mr. McCullough would not agree to this course. We then instructed the Law Agent to take legal proceedings for recovery of the premises. Mr. McCullough has now agreed to accept the terms for a lease, viz: 31 years from the 26th March 1920 at £30 per annum, which we recommend you to accept.

There are a few tenancies, the leases of which expired on the 29th September last, still outstanding, but we hope to complete negotiations with the tenants in a few weeks time.

Dated 3rd January, 1921. P. O'Muireadhaigh, Chairman"

Writ of Mandamus. ✓ The Town Clerk brought under the notice of the Council a Writ of Mandamus served upon him by the Local Government Board to submit the books of the Corporation for audit, and asked for instruction so as to prevent costs being made against him in the matter.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed to allow the Town Clerk to take whatever steps in the matter he considered advisable.

Letter read from Assistant Town Clerk, intimating that he had been

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been arrested and detained without charge, and applying for leave of absence until such time as he was able to resume duty.

It was agreed to refer the matter to the Law & Finance Committee, and also the case of our employee named Wm. Greaney who had been similarly arrested.

A letter from the Unemployment Grants Committee, relating to Grants to Local Authorities for carrying out Schemes of public utility was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Condolence. Acknowledgment. Letter read from Councillor Bateson thanking the Council for vote of Condolence passed with him upon the death of his Father, read.

P. O'Muireadhaigh

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January 31st

Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the 31st day of January, 1921.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J.E. murphy, T. Halpin, J.McDonnell, B.E. allen, J.M. Stanley
Councillors:- T. Carroll, P. Carroll, P.McCann, F. Bateson, J. Fitzhenry, R. Murdock, J. Davis, R. Webster, L.J. Elcock, D. Reddan, E. mullen, T. McCabe, J. J. Callan, P.McNamara.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Election of Mayor. 1921-22. — Alderman J.E. murphy proposed and Councillor Davis seconded — that Alderman Philip Monahan be and is hereby re-elected Mayor for the year ending 30th January, 1922.

Alderman Monahan re-elected. — No other Candidate having been proposed the Chairman accordingly declared himself re-elected Mayor, and made the Declaration of acceptance of office.

Election of Committees 1921. — The following Committees were appointed for the year ending 30th January, 1922:-

Bye-Laws & Markets Committee:-
His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- J. Stanley, J.McDonnell.
Councillors:- P. Carroll, H. Balfe, E. mullen, T. McCabe, R. Webster, R. murdock.

Law & Finance Committee:-
His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J.McDonnell, J.E. murphy, B.E. Allen. T. Halpin.
Councillors:- P. McCann, T. McCabe, J.C. Thornhill, J. Davis

Gas Works Committee:-
His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- T. Halpin, J.E. murphy
Councillors:- P. Carroll, P.McCann, E. mullen, J.C. Thornhill, R. Murdock, R. Webster.

Water Works Committee
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- J.McDonnell, T. Halpin

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Councillors:- F. Bateson, P. McNamara, E. mullen, T. McCabe, T. McQuillan, R. murdock.

Allotments Committee:-
His Worship the mayor.
Councillors:- P. McNamara, H. Balfe, T. McCabe, E. mullen.

Housing Committee:-
His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- J.McDonnell, J.E. murphy, B.E. allen.
Councillors:- T. Carroll, J. Fitzhenry, H. Balfe, E. mullen, J. Davis.

Technical Instruction & Public Library Committee:-
His Worship the mayor.
Aldermen:- J. Stanley, B.E. Allen
Councillors:- F. Bateson, T. Carroll, P. McCann, T. McCabe.
Rt. Rev. Mgr. P. Segrave, Vy Rev. J. Nulty, P.P., Rev Chancellor L.P.T. Ledoux, Rev. T. R. Brunskill; messrs:- M.A. Casey; J.A. Noonan

On the motion of Alderman murphy, seconded by Councillor P. Carroll, it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the remaining Quarterly meetings of the Council be held at 8 o'clock p.m. on the 5th April, 5th July and 4th October, 1921."

P. O'Murnaghan

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1921.
February 1st

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 1st February 1921.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monaloon)
Aldermen:- T. Halpin, J.E. Murphy, Jul. McDonnell.
Councillors:- T. Carroll, J. Bateson, P. McCann, R. Murdock, E. Muller, T. McCabe, J. Davis.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheets examined and signed

Payment — Payments ordered - Borough Fund £2821: 13: 8
Public Library £ 4: 10: 8

The consideration of Co. J.C. Thornhill's resignation as Councillor for Duleek Oak Electoral area was postponed.

Leases sealed unto.

The following Leases were this day sealed unto:-

Mr. L.J. Carpenter Trinity Street. ✓

(1) Mr. Laurence J. Carpenter of Trinity St. Drogheda, of a plot of ground situate on the west side of George's Street, for a term of 150 years from the 25th March 1920 at the yearly rent of £3, Covenants to expend the sum of £2,700 in building 3 substantial 2 storey slated buildings, and to insure in the sum of £2,000.

Mr. C. McDermott. Shop St. ✓

(2.) Mr. Christopher McDermott, Shop St. Drogheda, of Yard and premises situate on the South side of John Street, for a term of 31 years from the 26th March, 1920, at the yearly rent of £7, covenants to insure in the sum of £200.

✓ A Memorial for the Registration of Lease to Harbour Commissioners of strip of land along the Mornington Road was this day sealed.

P. Murphy Chairman

1921
February 9th

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday the 9th day of February, 1921.

To express sympathy with the Widow and relatives of the late Alderman Thomas Halpin.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monaloon)
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, Jul. Donnell, B.E. Allen.
Councillors:- T. McCabe, E. Muller, R. Webster, L.J. Elcock, D. Reddan, J.J. Callan, P. McNamara, T. Carroll, P. McCann, J. Davis, R. Murdock,

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Telegram read from Councillor Fitzsimons expressing sympathy upon the death of Alderman Halpin.

The following letter was read:-

"Abbey House, Drogheda, 9.2.21"

Dear Mr. Mayor,

Although I am no longer a Member of the Corporation, I would wish to associate myself with a vote of sympathy to the widow and relatives of the late Alderman Halpin whose family has been known to me for many years.

Yours sincerely
H. Thornhill".

His Worship the Mayor proposed and Councillor Davis seconded:-

"That this meeting of the Corporation of Drogheda, on behalf of the townspeople desires to convey its sincere sympathy with the widow and relatives of the late Alderman Thomas Halpin.

At the same time we desire to place on record our deep sympathy with the widow and relatives of the late Mr. Moran who met his death under a similar circumstances along with Alderman Halpin."

The motion was put and carried in silence.

P. Murphy Chairman

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1921.
February 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 15th day of February 1921.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, J.W. McDonnell, B.E. Allen, J.W. Stanley,

Councillors:- J. Carroll, P. Carroll, F. Bateson, P.W. Cairns, L.J. Elcock, R. Webster, E. Muller, J. McCabe, J.J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheets examined and passed.

Read Report of Law & Finance Committee as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

Leave of absence for Assistant Town Clerk. We have had under consideration the application of Mr. J. O'Connor, Assistant Town Clerk, for leave of absence. As Mr. O'Connor is being detained by the military authorities without any charge being brought against him we recommend that he be granted leave of absence for an indefinite period, but we do not recommend that any salary be paid whilst absent from his official duties.

Increase in wages. We received an application from the local Branch of the National Federation of Building Trades Operatives for an increase of one penny per hour in the wages of tradesmen employed by the Corporation, such increase to be retrospective from 1st January last. We understand that after the 31st March next a revision of the rates of wages will take place based on the cost of living, and upon this understanding we recommend that the application be acceded to.

We recommend that James Harrison, an employee in the Borough Surveyor's Department, be granted an increase in wages of 5/- per week.

Dated 31st January, 1921. P. Quinn, Chairman"

Assistant T.C. to be paid his salary until Town Clerk employs a substitute Councillor Callan moved and Councillor J. Carroll seconded - that the first paragraph in the report be amended as follows:- "That Mr. O'Connor be paid his salary until such time as the Town Clerk employs an Assistant".

The Report as amended was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Murphy.

Letter from Local Government Department Dail Eireann, re collection of Rates, and Striking of Rate Estimates for 1921-22, read.

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No order made.

Increased Telephone Charges. Resolution from Armagh Chamber of Commerce, re proposed increased Telephone Charges, read.

No order made.

Condolence Acknowledgment. Letter read from Mr. John Halpin thanking the Council for vote of condolence passed with him, and the members of his family upon the death of his son, Alderman Thomas Halpin.

On the motion of His Worship the mayor seconded by Councillor J. Carroll, a vote of sympathy was unanimously passed with the Dominican Fathers upon the death of the late Rev. Dr. O'Keane, O.P.

His Worship the mayor proposed and Alderman Stanley seconded that a vote of condolence be passed with the relatives of the late Mr. Patrick Thornton.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

P. Murphy

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1921.
1st March.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 1st day of March 1921.

Present:-

In the chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monaloe)

Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, B.E. Allen.

Councillors:- P. Carroll, P. McCann, J. Davis, R. Murdock, F. Bateson, E. Mullen, L.J. Elcock, J.J. Callan, T. McCabe, P. McNamara, T.V. MacQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and signed

Payments — Payments ordered - Borough Fund £3925: 19:10

Public Library 37: 15: 5.

Allotment Scheme

Report of Allotments Committee submitting a Report of the Town Clerk in connection with the working of the Allotments Scheme, read.

It was decided to eliminate the portion of the Report dealing with the handing over of Allotment field, Harduan's garden, to Mr. Dolan, and a Committee consisting of His Worship the Mayor with Councillors Davis, Elcock and the Town Clerk were appointed to again interview Mr. Dolan regarding the letting of his field for Allotment purposes.

The Report as amended was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Bateson.

The following Report of the Town Clerk was read

"Gentlemen,

I beg to report that a vacancy exists in the Office of Alderman for the West Gate Electoral Area, created by the death of Alderman Thomas Halpin.

It will also be necessary to appoint members on the following Committees in room of late Alderman Halpin:-

Law, Finance, Gas Works, Water Works & School Attendance Committees.

I am, Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant.

J. Carr, Town Clerk."

It was unanimously agreed on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor McNamara to postpone consideration of

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of the election of Alderman for the West Gate Electoral area for one month; and to consider the election of Members on the Committees at the next Council meeting.

A letter was read from the relatives of the late Mr. John Moran, thanking the Council for vote of Condolence passed.

The following letters were read and ordered to be inserted on the minutes:-

"6 North Road, Drogheda
21st February 1921.

Condolence.

Letter of thanks from Mrs Halpin

Dear Mr Carr,

Please convey to the Members of the Corporation my sincerest thanks for their vote of Condolence in my very sad bereavement. The only consolation I have to comfort me in my great sorrow, is, that dear Tom died for the sole reason of loving his Faith & Fatherland

Yours sincerely
Aggie Halpin".

"St. Magdalen's, Drogheda.
24th February, 1921.

Condolence.

Letter of thanks from Fr. Muckian O.P.

Gentlemen,

In the name of the community of St. Magdalen's I beg to thank you most sincerely for your vote of condolence upon the lamented death of the late Very Rev. Dr. Keane O.P.

By his death the Dominican Order has lost one of its brightest ornaments, the priesthood a saintly priest, Ireland a true patriot and all of us a sincere friend. His last conscious act was to recite the Rosary in Irish for his beloved Country and friends.

Again thanking you, Gentlemen,

I am, Yours gratefully
T. D. Muckian, O.P. Prior."

Circular letter from Unemployment Grants Committee in relation to Grants for works of public utility, read.

Arising out of a question His Worship the Mayor stated that application had been made to the Committee for a grant.

Letter read from P. Callan, Solicitor, stating that he was in communication

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1st March. Communication with the Trustees of the Ball Estate in connection with the upkeep of the Ramparts.

P. Murphy

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March 15th

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 15th day of March 1921.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, B.E. Allen, Jul. Stanley, J. McDonnell.

Councillors P. Carroll, T. Carroll, L.J. Elcock, E. Mullen, T. McBride, P. McEvoy, J.J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and signed.

Council meetings to be held monthly.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor Elcock moved:-

"That in future all meetings of the Council shall be held monthly on the first Tuesday of each month, and that all resolutions to the contrary be, and are hereby rescinded".

Alderman Stanley having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Lease sealed unto Mr. T. Curtis Shop Street

A Lease was this day sealed unto Mr. Francis Curtis of Shop St. Drogheda of the Dwellinghouse and shop and premises situate on the west side of Shop Street Drogheda for a term of 75 years from the 29th September 1920 at the yearly rent of £5, covenants to expend the sum of £1100 upon alterations and improvements, ~~such~~ work to be commenced within a period of six months from date of execution of Lease, and to insure in the sum of £2,000.

Appointments on Committees in room of late Alderman Halpin.

The following were appointed on Committees in room of late Alderman Halpin:-

Law & Finance Committee - Councillor P. Carroll.

Gas Works Committee - Councillor T. Carroll.

Water Works Committee - Councillor Elcock.

School Attendance Committee - Councillor Bateson.

Grant refused by Unemployment Grants Committee.

Letter read from Unemployment Grants Committee intimating that they cannot make a grant in respect of the scheme submitted owing to the fact that the Council had not complied with the Local Government Board's regulations as to ~~and~~

No order made.

Communication

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Communication from Ministry of Labour, Dail Eireann, read by His Worship the Mayor in connection with the Belfast Boycott.

No order made.

Condolence. Men executed in Dublin on 14th March, 1921

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Stanley a vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with the relatives of the six men executed in Dublin on Monday the 14th March.

P. Murphy Cairn

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Minutes of a Quarterly meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 5th day of April 1921:

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor

Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, J. McDonnell, B.E. Allen.

Councillors:- T. Carroll, P. Carroll, P. McCann, J. Davis, R. Murdock, R. Webster, J. McCabe.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund £. 1470: 3: 1

Public Library £. 8: 9: 2.

Rate Estimates. ✓

Read Report of Law & Finance Committee submitting Rate Estimates for year ending 31st March 1922, and recommending the striking of a total rate of 15/6 in the £; that Miss Mary A. Hoey be granted a Lease of the premises in her occupation, Hardman's Garden, for a term of 31 years at £3 per annum, covenants to expend £75 upon repairs.

Lease recommended to Miss M. A. Hoey Hardman's Garden ✓

That Mr. R. G. Fagan be appointed as Public Analyst for the Borough in room of late Sir Charles Cameron at a salary of £25 per annum.

It was decided to delete the last paragraph in the Report dealing with the appointment of a Public Analyst.

The Report as amended was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor McCabe.

Report of Water Works Superintendent

Report of P. Lennon, Water Works Superintendent, read, intimating that Barnattin Reservoir is full and Killineer Reservoir down 6" or a fall of 5" for the past week; that the Streams are fairly good; and that the decrease of 5" in Killineer Reservoir indicates a very heavy consumption, and consumers warned to conserve the water supply as much as possible.

The Report was adopted.

Lease sealed unto Mr. Thos McCullough Fair Street ✓

A Lease was this day sealed unto Mr Thomas McCullough of Fairgate, Drogheda, of the Licensed house, premises and Offices situate on the north side of Fair Street and East of George's St. for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1920 at the yearly rent of £30, covenants to insure in the sum of £2000.

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A communication from Local Government Dept. Dail Eireann, enclosing list of Queries was read.

No order made.

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April 19th

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 19th day of April 1921; To Strike Rates for year ending 31st March 1922.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor

Aldermen:- J. E. Murphy, J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen

Councillors:- P. Carroll, F. Bateson, P. McCann, L. J. Elcock, P. McNamara.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Wages.
Wages Sheets examined and passed.

Rate
Resolutions.

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Allen it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council do hereby make, strike, and impose a Borough Rate of One hundred and Eight pence in the pound on the owners, occupiers, or tenants of all hereditaments within the Borough rateable for the relief of the poor upon the annual value thereof - that is to say, eighty one pence in the pound levied under the provisions of the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Acts and the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, in order to raise the sum of £8,874 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses for Town purposes for the year ending 31st March, 1922; Twenty two pence in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £2,410 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of the Water Supply for the year ending 31st March 1922; One penny in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (I) Act, 1878, and Acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £109: 11: 4 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses of the Child Welfare Scheme for the year ending 31st March 1922; Two pence in the pound for expenses under "The Public Libraries Acts 1855 to 1920" in order to raise the sum of £219: 2: 8 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses to be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said last mentioned Acts for the year ending 31st March, 1922; Two pence in the pound for expenses under 'The Technical Instruction Act, 1889' and 'The Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act, 1899', in order to raise the sum of £219: 2: 8

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being the amount which the Council has estimated will be ~~required~~ incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said Acts for the year ending 31st March 1922".

"That the Rate Book and all the entries made therein, be, and the same is hereby adopted as the Rate Book by the Council, and that the same be duly signed as such, and it is hereby ordered that the said Rates shall be payable on and after the 19th day of April, 1921"

"That the Council do hereby make, strike, and impose upon the occupiers of all property within the Borough a Poor Rate of Seventy eight pence in the pound upon the annual value of all such property under the Irish Poor Relief Acts, and the Local Government (Ireland) Acts 1898-1902, in order to raise the sum of £8,621 which has been estimated will meet, for the year ending 31st March, 1922, the Demand of the County Council, and also the expenses of the Council, to be defrayed out of the Poor Rate, under the last mentioned Acts and Acts amending and extending the same, and that the same shall be payable on and after the 19th day of April, 1921".

The various Estimates having been submitted and formally approved, the Rate Book and Collector's Warrant were duly executed and sealed.

Upon his application Mr. A. Healy, Contractor, was given permission to temporarily close up Harperstown during repairs to Mr. Webster's premises.

Report of P. Lennon.

Report of P. Lennon, Water Works Superintendent, read intimating that Barnattin Reservoir is full and Killincarrick Reservoir down 2'-3" or a fall of 1'-1" for the past week.

No order made.

P. Murphy

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May 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 3rd day of May, 1921.

Present:-

In the chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J. McDonnell, B.E. Allen.
Councillors:- P. Carroll, T. Carroll, J. Bateson, P.M. Mc Cann, L.J. Elcock, J. McCabe, J.J. Callan, P.M. Cranavan, P. Murdock.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheets examined and passed.
Payments ordered - Borough Fund £903: 18: 9
Public Library £ 6: 16: 7.

Report of Water Works Committee.

A Report of the Water Works Committee dealing with Mr. Hamilton's report upon the Water Works system, the work carried out at Barnattin Reservoir, messrs. McCann & Hill's application for reduction of charge for sprinkler installation was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman McDonnell.

Report of Water Works Superintendent ✓

Read Report of P. Lennon, Water Works Superintendent, intimating that Barnattin Reservoir is down 2" and Killincarrick Reservoir down 1'-8" or a fall for the past week of 1'-10"; that the Streams are only giving about 25% of the consumption; and suggesting that the town supply be shut off at night.

It was agreed to empower Mr. Lennon to shut off the Works supply to the town at night when he considered it necessary to do so.

Report of Gas Works Committee. ✓
Insurance.

Report of Gas Works Committee read recommending that the Fire Insurances on the works be increased from £5620 to £20,960; that the E/L Insurance covering casual employees unloading Boats to be transferred from the Guardian Assurance Co. London, to the Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co.;

Price of Coke reduced.

That the price of Coke be reduced from £4 to £3: 13: 4 per ton from 1st March last;

Audit of Gas Works Account. ✓

That Messrs Kennedy, Crowley & Co., Chartered Accountants Dublin, be employed to audit the Accounts of the Gas Works Dept. for the 2 years ended 31st March 1921. at an inclusive fee of £50.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor T. Carroll.

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A Resolution from the Armagh Rural District Council re importation of Canadian Store Cattle was adopted on the motion of Councillor Elcock seconded by Alderman B. E. Allen.

Agreement. John Dolan and Corpn of Drogheda. ✓

An Agreement was this day sealed between John Dolan of Hardman's Garden, Drogheda, and the Corporation of Drogheda, for the letting of a field at Hardman's Garden for the purposes of an Allotment Scheme for 1 year to the 1st November 1921 at the yearly rent of £12.

Film Censors.

Letter read from Hon. Secretary, Drogheda Vigilance Committee, requesting the Council to authorize the appointment of Film Censors to view all Films in the local Cinema Houses so as to prevent the production of immoral or objectionable Films.

It was agreed to authorize the names of the persons submitted to act as Film Censors for Drogheda.

Owing to the Fair day - 12th May - falling on Thursday, it was agreed to change the day of Half Holiday from Thursday 12th, to Tuesday the 10th May.

A letter was read from P. Weldon drawing attention to a number of weekly tenants who had refused to pay the increases in rates & rent.

His Worship the Mayor having made a statement on the matter it was agreed to proceed against any tenant who refused to pay the increases demanded.

P. Murnaghan

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 7th day June, 1921.

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In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor. (Aderman P. Monahan)
Adermen - J. McDonnell.
Councillors - P. Carroll, T. Carroll, L. J. Elcock, R. Webster.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund £1223 . 14 . 7.
Public Library £ 4 . 0 . 8.

Report of Law & Finance Committee ✓

The following Report of the Law and Finance Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor T. Carroll.—

Gentlemen,

Lease to Mrs. M. A. Gannon. ✓ Kiltallagh House.

Mrs. M. A. Gannon, Kiltallaght House, Dunleer, has applied to us to grant her a Lease of a House and garden situate on the North Strand, Drogheda, which she holds from Mrs. MacKittrick. The Lease, which comprises a number of houses on the Chord Road, and North Strand, will expire in March, 1923, but in order to allow Mrs. Gannon to put the premises into immediate repair, we recommend that an Agreement be entered into to grant her a Lease from the 25th March, 1923 for a term of 31 years, at the yearly rent of £20, covenants to expend the sum of £300 upon substantial repairs and improvements.

Tenders. ✓

We have accepted the following tenders, being the lowest in each case—

1. Thos. McCullough, James's Street
   Suit of Clothes for Mace-Bearer £5 . 10 . 0
   Overcoat " " " 5 . 5 . 0
2. Jas. Cooney, Dominick Street
   New Watering Cart 72 . 0 . 0
3. Mr. M. McGuiggan, West Street
   Painting 54 Weekly tenements 114 . 0 . 0

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4. Dublin Timber & Cement Co.,
Supply of Timber (Carriage paid to Drogheda) £27 . 0 . 0
5. Thos. Morgan & Sons, Shop Street
New Pair of Wheels. 11 . 0 . 0.

We have agreed to assent to an Assignment from Mr. M. Daly to Mr. Thos. J. McNally of Licensed house and premises in Dyer Street Lease No. 1288.

We have agreed to temporarily appoint Mr. B.G. Fagan, Dublin as Public Analyst for the Borough at a salary of £25 per annum, the appointment to date from the 1st of March last.

Dated 2nd May, 1921. P. O'Muireasáin. Chairman.

Report of Car Inspector.

The Annual Report of Mr. P. Shanley, Car Inspector, was read and referred to the Bye Laws and Markets Committee.

Audit of Accounts of Technical Instruction Committee.

The Report of the Local Government Auditor upon the Audit of the accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for the year ending the 31st March, 1921, was read. No order made.

The Report of P. Lennon, Water Works Superintendant upon the condition of the reservoirs was read and adopted.

The Rate Collectors lists of Arrears, amounting to £122.7.6. and Irrecoverable Rates, amounting to £85.0.6, for the half year ending 31st March, 1921, were submitted and approved.

A Resolution from the Enniskillen Urban District Council, protesting against the recent advance in Telephone charges was read.
No order made.

A circular letter from Dail Eireann, Trade Dept. enclosing Prohibition Order No. 3, re importation and sale of British goods was read and adopted, Councillor Webster dissenting.

A letter from Mr. Darell Figgis enclosing lists of reports, etc, on Commission of Inquiry into the Resources and Industries of Ireland, was read and referred to the Public Library Committee.

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Upon the motion of ~~His~~ Worship, the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Webster, a vote of Condolence was unanimously passed with Mr. P.P. Keeley, Borough Treasurer, on the death of his son, Bernard.

P. O'Muireasáin

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July 5th.

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 5th day of July, 1921.

Present.

In the Chair — His Worship, the Mayor.
Aldermen. — J. McDonnell.
Councillors — P. Carroll, R. Murdock, R. Webster, J. J. Callan, J. McCabe, P. McNamara, J. V. McQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered. Borough Fund £794.8.1
Public Library £ 4.10.8.

Upon the motion of His Worship, the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Murdock, the following report of the Law & Finance Committee was unanimously adopted.

Law & Finance Com. Report

"Gentlemen,

Thos. Byrne / Hardmans Garden re Lease

We received an application from Mr. Thos. Byrne for a Lease of the premises in his occupation on the east side of Hardman's Garden. The premises consist of a thatched house and garden, which Mr. Byrne holds under a yearly tenancy at £3:3 per annum. We recommend that Mr. Byrne be granted a Lease for a term of 31 years from the 29th Sept. next at the yearly rent of £3:3.

We have agreed to the following Assignments:—

Assignment Moonan to Eustace & Brennan

(1). Miss Moonan to Messrs P. Eustace & J. Brennan of premises on the North Strand, Lease No. 1255

Assignment Moss to Edward McArdle

(2) Henry Moss to Edward McArdle, West Street, of premises on the North side of Bachelor's Lane, Lease No. 1367.

We have been in communication with Mr. M. Langan, Dublin Road for the sale to him of a plot of land situate at Beamore, containing 1¾ acres, (statute), the Lease of which expired on the 29th Sept., 1920. The rent reserved under the old Lease was 19/- per annum. As there is no entrance from the road, or right of way to the field, the letting value has been considerably lessened, and we recommend that the offer by Mr. Langan of £40 for the purchase of the field

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be accepted.

We have agreed to sell to Dr. W. Bradley, Laurence Street, the old Weighbridge at Killineer Quarry, for the sum of £32.

We recommend that the Agreement with the G. N. R. Co. for the letting of a garden at St. James's be terminated.

Dated 20th June, 1921.

P. O'Muineacain, Chairman."

The report of P. Lennon, Water Works Superintendant, upon the condition of the water supply, was read and adopted.

A list of tenements requiring revision of Valuation, was submitted and approved.

Dr. Gaughran & ors re Lease of "The Dale Field" Sealed

The following Leases were this day sealed into:-

(1) The Most Rev. Laurence Gaughran & ors. of a parcel of land situate on the north side of Cromwells Lane, and known as "The Dale Field", containing 2ac. 0rds. 32pers. (statute), for a term of 31 years from the 25th March, 1920 for the yearly rent of £11.

Agreement Dr. Gaughran & ors Sealed

An Agreement with The Most Rev. Dr. Gaughran & ors. for an eleven months letting of portion of the field known as "The Dale Field", containing 2ac. 1rd. 3pers. (statute), for the agistment grazing and depasturage of cattle and sheep only, from the 1st Jan., 1921, until the 1st Dec., 1921, and no longer, the rent for the period to be £11. 6. 8.

Mrs. C. McNamara Lease Sealed

(2) Mrs. Catherine McNamara, Shop Street, Drogheda, of a plot of ground with the houses and buildings thereon, situate on the west side of Shop Street, and known as No. 23 & 24, and also that plot of ground, with the houses and buildings thereon, situate on the south side of Dyer Street, for the term of 75 years from the 29th Sept., 1920, at the yearly rent of £35, covenants to expend the total sum of ~~£1000~~ £2600 upon substantial repairs and improvements, and to insure in the sum of £4000.

Chas. M. Markey & ors Lease "old jail" Sealed

(3). Charles M. Markey, & ors. of the premises known as the "Old Jail", situate on the north side of Scarlet St, for a term of 75 years from the 25th March, 1920, at the yearly rent of £40, covenants to expend the sum of £1000 upon new buildings,

and

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Mary A. Hoey ✓
Hardman's Garden
Lease Sealed

and to insure in the sum of £2500.

(4) Miss Mary A. Hoey of Hardman's Garden, of a dwelling house and garden situate on the east side of Hardman's Garden, for a term of 31 years from the 25th March, 1921, at the yearly rent of £3. covenants to expend the sum of £75 upon repairs, and to insure in the sum of £200.

Susan O'Brien & ors
✓
Sienna Convent Nuns
Conveyance Sealed

A Deed of Conveyance unto Susan O'Brien & ors., members of the Religious Community known as the Nuns of the Sienna Convent, of a plot of ground situate on the east side of Francis St. containing 2 rds. 32 pers statute measure or thereabouts, to be held in fee simple for ever. consideration money £200. was this day executed.

John A. Inglis
Notice to Quit

A notice to quit upon John A. Inglis, Marsh Rd. Drogheda, for possession of the garden forming portion of the premises known as "St James's" situate at Marsh Rd.; and a notice upon the G. N. R. Co. (Ireland) surrendering the two plots of land before mentioned, held under Agreement dated 26th April, 1920, were this day executed.

G. N. Railway Co.
✓
Notice of Surrender

Upon his application Chr. Mathews, Marsh Road, was granted a Car Proprietors and drivers License.

A Circular letter from the Fishery Dept., Dail Eireann dealing with the development and protection of the Irish Fishing Industry, was read and adopted.

An application from Mr. L. Wynne, Mell. Drogheda, for permission to enclose the pathway opposite his dwelling for a distance of about 4 feet with a paling, was read and referred to the Borough Surveyor.

A Memorial from the residents of Bolton Square, protesting against the noise caused by the working of the stone-crusher, was read.
No order made.

Letter read from Mr. P. P. Keeley thanking the Council for vote of Condolence passed to him and family on the death of his son.

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August 2nd.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 2nd day of August, 1921.

Present.

In the Chair	His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen	J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen, J. M. Stanley.
Councillors	P. Carroll, T. Carroll, R. Webster, J. J. Callan J. Davis.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes.
Wages.
Payments.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments ordered. Borough Fund £1535.. 5 .. 0
Free Library £ 4 .. 10 .. 8.

Report of P. Lennon upon the condition of the water supply was read and adopted.

George Knaggs
✓
Lease So.

A Lease dated 27th June, 1921, was this day sealed unto Mr. George Knaggs of Corderry, of a plot of ground situate on the west side of Duke Street, for a term of 46 years from the 29th September, 1921, at the yearly rent of £3:9:2.

Letter from D. & D. S. & S. Federation, Drogheda Branch, requesting that the accounts of the Corporation be submitted to the L. G. B. auditor so that a grant may be obtained from the Unemployment Grants Committee, read.
No order made.

Upon his application, the Town Clerk was granted his Annual Holidays.

Letter read from I. T. & G. W. Union applying for payment of three labourers for Church Holidays.
It was agreed not to accede to the request.

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Sept. 6th.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday, the 6th September, 1921, at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m.

Present:-

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen — J. E. Murphy, J. McDonnell, J. M. Stanley.
Councillors — P. Carroll, P. McCann, T. Carroll, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Callan, P. McNamara.

Minutes. The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Paymts. Payments ordered. Borough Fund £5,722-18-1
Public Library 66-17-8.

Law & Finance Com. Report ✓ The following report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman McDonnell:-

"Gentlemen,

Mrs. Mary J. Graham, Chord Rd. re application for Lease. We have received an application from Mrs. Mary J. Graham, Chord Road, for a Lease of the premises in her occupation. The Lease of these premises expired on the 28th Sept., 1916, and Mrs. Graham has since been a yearly tenant at a rent of £15 per annum. The house and offices have become very dilapidated, and Mrs. Graham has submitted plans and specifications for putting premises into a substantial state of repair at an expenditure of £600. In consideration of the expenditure we recommend that Mrs. Graham be granted a Lease for a term of 75 years at a rent of £5 per annum, the new rent not to come into operation until the repairs have been carried out, and a certificate of the Borough Surveyor issued to this effect.

Fair Green, re Georges St. Entrance. In order to widen the Georges Street entrance to the Fair Green at Chester Lane, we have been in negotiation with Mr. James Nulty, West Street, to take a surrender of the old ruin at the entrance to the Lane. Mr. Nulty has agreed to surrender this old building upon the the condition that he is granted a Lease of

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of a small yard and shed in his occupation adjoining the old ruin a Chester Lane. The Lease of these premises will fall into your hands in March, 1923, but in order to make a proper entrance to the Fair Green immediately, we recommend that an Agreement be entered into to grant Mr. Nulty a Lease of the yard and sheds for a term of 31 years from the 25th March, 1923, at a rent of £2 per annum.

Dated 9th August, 1921. P. O'Muireasain, Chairman."

Gas Works Committee Report ✓ Report of the Gas Works Committee read as follows:-

"Gentlemen.

We beg to report that we have increased the wages of the Temporary Rental Clerk from £2 to £2:10/- per week, being the same wages as the Rental Clerk had when he left, the increase to start from 6th July, 1921.

Re Boiler Insurance. Transfer to Ocean Accid. Corp. Ltd. Dublin. We have transferred the Boiler Insurance, £1,000, premium £2-10/- per annum, from the National Boiler and General Insurance Co., Ltd., Manchester, to the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation Ltd., Dublin, for the same Risk and the same Premium.

Dated 1st September, 1921. P. O'Muireacain, Chairman."

The report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Murphy.

A Resolution from the Drogheda Workers Council protesting against the action of the Corporation in refusing to pay a section of their employees for Church and public holidays, read.

No order made.

Read, letter from Co. Louth Association of Irish Farmers Union intimating change of day for holding the Corn Exchange from Wednesday.

It was agreed to accede to the change of day for holding the Corn Exchange.

Upon his application Mr. J. J. Burke was granted his annual holidays.

P. O'Muireacain

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council in Committee held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday the 27th the September 1921, at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.; to consider letter from the Ministry of Transport requesting particulars for a scheme to relieve unemployment; and reports of Mr. J. J. Burke and P. Lennon on works proposed to be carried out under such scheme.

Present.

In the Chair	His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen	J. E. Murphy, J. W. Donnell, J. M. Stanley.
Councillors.	P. Carroll, T. Bateson, T. Carroll, P. W. Cann, J. Davis, L. J. Elcock, T. McCabe, P. McNamara, T. V. McQuillan, J. J. Callan, R. Murdock, R. Webster.

The following report of the Town Clerk was read:-

Town Clerk's Report

"Gentlemen,

As a result of a communication received from the Ministry of Transport (Ireland) I have requested Mr. J. J. Burke, and P. Lennon to prepare schemes to provide work to relieve unemployment.

As you are aware a scheme was submitted to the (Ministry) Unemployment Grants Committee on the 25th February last, and on the 7th March a communication was received from the Committee in which it was stated .... "that the Government do not feel justified in authorising payment of Government Funds to your Authority in view of the fact that your Council is unwilling to comply with the Local Government Board's regulations as to audit". I understand that the Government have withdrawn the condition as to Audit, but it must be understood that only ex-servicemen must be employed on any works proposed to be carried out under the scheme.

The total amount proposed to be expended on the proposed scheme is as follows.

Water Works Department	£584 . 18 . 0	
Borough Fund	£840 . 0 . 0	£1424 . 18 . 0
Of this sum the Corporation would have to provide	£677 . 19 . 3	
and the Government's contribution would be	£746 . 18 . 9	£1424 . 18 . 0.

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The Schemes are submitted herewith.

Your obedient Servant.

J. Carr.
Town Clerk."

A Scheme of Mr. J. J. Burke for the Cleansing of Water Channels and Water Courses, cleansing of Manure Depots, reclaiming of land at Marsh Road, levelling of building sites, opening up of Sand Pit at Greenhills, etc., representing a total expenditure of £840, was submitted.

A Scheme of P. Lennon, Water Works Superintendent, for washing sand and re-sanding Filter Beds, laying of Pipe-line from Riverstown stream to Slate Hill, conveying water from Tullyesker to intake at Barnattin and making three drains at Barnattin embankment, amounting in all to £584 . 18 . 0, was submitted.

It was agreed that the grant be accepted subject to the condition that the employing of the additional men should be in the ratio of six ex-servicemen to four civilians, and also that the schemes be subjected to the sanction of the Local Government Dept., Dail Eireann.

Mr. J. J. Burke's and P. Lennon's reports and schemes were adopted.

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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday the 4th October, 1921, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Present

In the Chair	His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen	J. E. Murphy, J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen, J. M. Stanley.
Councillors	P. Carroll, T. Bateson, P. McCann, J. Davis, T. Carroll. R. Webster, T. V. McQuillan.

Minute. The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The minutes of the last two meetings were read and confirmed

Wages-Payment. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments

Borough Fund	£1144 .. 6 .. 11
Public Library	4 .. 10 .. 8

Law & Finance Com. Report

Report of the Law & Finance Committee read:-

"Gentlemen,

We have received five tenders for painting and papering the caretaker's apartments, Mayoralty House, and painting gates at Hay and Fish Market. Mr. M. McGuiggan, West Street being the lowest tender received at £16 .. 15/- we recommend that it be accepted.

We also had before us three quotations for the supply of Oil clothing for the Scavengers and Carters. As only one of the samples submitted, that of Messrs. Casey & Co., Moy, Co. Tyrone, bore the Irish Trade mark, we have no option but to recommend the acceptance of Messrs. Casey & Co's tender.

We have agreed to assent to an Assignment of premises on the south side of Trinity Street, from Messrs. McCann & Hill, Ltd., to Mrs. Mary J. McQuaile, Lawrence Street, Drogheda, Lease No. 1327.

Dated 26th September, 1921. P. O Muineacain, Chairman."

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Carroll the report was unanimously adopted.

Bye-laws & Markets Com. Report

The following Report of the Bye-laws and Markets Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor R. Webster:-

"Gentlemen,

We had under further consideration the question of the better regulation

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regulation of the Fairs and Markets of the Borough, and as already agreed upon by you, the Fair Green at Chester Lane (off George's Street) will be ready for the sale of Cattle on and after the 29th October next. The Potato Market Square (south side) for the sale of Pigs instead of Magdalene Street and Peter Street, and the Fish Market, Dyer Street, for the sale of Fish.

We had also under consideration the question of fixing Tolls for the Fair Green and Fish Market, but we do not think it expedient for the present to levy any Toll for the sale of Cattle or Fish.

We are desirous of putting an end to the practice of the sale of Cattle, Pigs and Fish upon the streets, and we have instructed our Officials to bring prosecutions against any person found contravening the Bye-laws.

We also wish to draw attention to the pernicious practice of persons depositing house refuse upon the footpaths and streets of the Town at night without having such refuse in proper receptacles. For the information of the General Public we wish to point out that under the Public Health Bye-Laws house refuse cannot be deposited on the streets only between the hours of 6 a. m. and 8.30 a. m. during the months of March, April, May, June, July, Aug., Sept., Oct., and from 7 a. m. to 9.30 a. m. during the months of Nov., Dec., Jan. and Feb., such refuse to be in proper receptacles.

We recommend that in future prosecutions should be instituted to rigidly enforce this Bye-law.

Dated 23rd September, 1921 P. O Muineacain, Chairman."

Gas Works Com. Report of.

Report of Gas Works Committee read as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have granted Collector James J. Rice, whose salary was £145 .. 12 .. 0 per annum, or £2 .. 16 .. 0 per week, an increase of 4/- per week, making new salary £163 .. 16 .. 0 per annum or £3 .. 3 .. 0 per week, the increased salary to commence on 1st September, 1921. We also increased Delivery Clerk John Gorman's salary from £132 .. 12 .. 0 per annum to £140 per annum, the increase to date from 1st October, 1921.

We have had under consideration the question of acquiring the fee simple of the frontage of the Gas Works Wharf in order that Boats can lie alongside and discharge coal more expeditiously than at present. The Drogheda Chemical Manure also propose to acquire their portion of the River frontage, and application has been made

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to the Harbour Commissioners for their permission. We have offered a sum of £20 for the purchase of this site. The negotiations in the matter are not yet complete, but we ask your sanction to the acquirement of the site.

Owing to the reduction in the price of coal we recommend that the price of Gas to ordinary consumers be reduced from 9/2 to 8/4 per 1,000 c. ft. on and after 1st October, 1921.

The Auditors' Report on the Accounts of the Gas Works Dept., for the financial years ending 31st March, 1920 and 1921 are submitted for your consideration.

There are now 44 Public Lamps lighted from sunset to 11.30 p. m. in addition to the six all night lamps.

Dated 21st September, 1921. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman".

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by (~~Alderman~~ Ald. Allen) Councillor J. Carroll

The Report of Messrs. Kennedy, Crowley & Co upon the Audit of Accounts of the Gas Works Dept., together with statement of accounts for the years ending 31st March, 1920 and 1921, submitted.

His Worship the Mayor gave a review of the accounts and working of the Gas Works Dept., for the last few years.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Allen.

Letter from Drogheda Workers' Council asking that steps be taken to check profiteering by traders, read.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed to defer consideration of the matter pending a report from Dail Eireann on the subject of profiteering.

Two lengthy Circulars from Local Government Dept., Dail Eireann, relating to (1) collection of Rates and the "garnisheeing" of Rates for Criminal and Malicious Injury Claims; (2) Superannuation of Local Officers; were read and adopted.

A letter from Ministry of Local Government Dept., Dail Eireann, in connection with the scheme for a grant from the Unemployment Grants Committee, pointing out that care must be exercised that the proposed grant should be unconditional and approving of the proposal

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proposal to employ four civilians to six ex servicemen, was read.

It was agreed to forward the scheme to the Ministry of Transport accepting the grant upon the terms already agreed upon.

Councillor McCann drew attention to the fact that a resolution of the Council of the 4th May, 1920, instructing the Borough Surveyor to furnish a monthly report in reference to the work carried out in his department, had not been complied with.

Ordered that the Borough Surveyor do comply with this instruction.

No. 6 Order (Exclusion of British Goods) from Trade Dept., Dail Eireann, was read and adopted.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday the 8th November, 1921, at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m.

Present.

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen — J. E. Murphy, J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen, J. Stanley.
Councillors — P. Carroll, T. Carroll, R. Murdock, R. Webster, P. McNamara, T. McCabe, J. Davis, P. McCann.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.
Payments ordered. Borough Fund £1,148 .. 15 .. 8.

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read.

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the question of the tenancy of Mr. W. McHugh's premises, on the west side of George's Street. The Lease of these premises expired on the 25th March, 1918, and comprised land in the possession of Mrs. N. B. Lyons, Trinity Street, and a number of thatched dwellings. Possession was taken over of the thatched dwellings, and the rent collected from the weekly tenants, and an eleven months tenancy of the field was granted to Mrs. Lyons. In view of the proposed housing scheme, it was not thought advisable at the time to grant Mr. McHugh a Lease, as a roadway was proposed to be made through the site where his dwelling stands. We have now learned that the proposed roadway could be made so as not to interfere with Mr. McHugh's premises

We, therefore, recommend that Mr. McHugh be granted a Lease for a term of 31 years, from the 29th September last, at the yearly rent of £4 .. 10 .. 0, upon the condition that he expends a sum of £300 upon repairs and alterations, in accordance with plans and specifications submitted, within a period of 12 months from the date of execution of the Lease, and that all arrears of rent be paid up to the last Gale day.

We have agreed to grand Mr. P. Maguire, Patrick Street, a yearly tenancy of a thatched house, in his possession, at a rent of £1 .. 0/- per annum, the tenant to be responsible for all repairs and payment of rates.

We have taken over two weekly tenaments on the North Strand, the Lease of which expired on the 29th September last, and have instructed

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instructed the Rent Collector to collect the weekly rents from the tenants in possession.

We have had a report before us from the Borough Surveyor upon the carrying out of the repairing and building Covenants contained in the Leases granted since 1913 to date. All these Covenants were complied with except in four cases, the explanation being given that the time for completion had not expired.

We have directed Mr. Burke to report upon the Leases granted from 1900 to 1913.

Dated 17th October, 1921. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman."

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor McNamara, the Report was unanimously adopted.

Gasworks Comm. Report ✓

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Allen, the following Report of the Gas Works Committee was unanimously adopted:-

"Gentlemen,

We have had under consideration the question of reducing the price of Coke, in view of the decrease in the price of Coal.

At our meeting on 19th October, we ordered that the price of Coke be reduced from 73/4 to 66/8 per ton, as from 21st October, and we now recommend a further reduction of 6/8 per ton, making the price of Coke 60/- per ton on and after Monday, the 7th November, inst.

Board of Works re Purchase of Wharf ✓

We had before us the draft Conveyance from the Board of Trade for purchase of Wharf for the sum of £20. We have approved of the Draft Deed subject to a few amendments.

We have ordered 12 further Public Lamps to be lighted in various parts of the Town, making the total number of Public Lamps 75.

Dated 2nd November, 1921. P. O'muineacain, Chairman".

The following Report of the Town Clerk was read:-

"Gentlemen,

I beg to report that the following members have not attended a meeting of the Council, or any of its Committees, during the last six months, and are consequently disqualified:-

Councillor D. Reddan
" E. Mullen
" J. Fitzhenry

Councillor

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Councillor E. Rooney.

" A. Balfe (presently interned in Ballykinlar Camp)

I would again draw your attention to the vacancies on the Council caused by the death of the late Alderman Thomas Halpin, and the resignation of Councillor Thornhill.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
J. Carr, Town Clerk."

Councillor P. Carroll moved, and Councillor Davis seconded, that an explanation be asked from the Members for their non-attendance at the Meetings.

A Report of Mr. J. J. Burke upon the works carried out in the Borough Surveyor's Department during the month of October, was read.

No order made.

Permission having been given, Alderman McDonnell withdrew the following Notice of Motion standing in his name:-

"That in future all Corporation cases be brought before Parish Courts"

Thos Byrne
Hardman's Garden
Lease sealed

A Lease was this day sealed unto Mr. Thomas Byrne, of Hardman's Garden, Drogheda, of a Dwellinghouse and Garden situate upon the east side of Hardman's Garden, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September, 1921, at the yearly rent of £3 - 3 - 0, Covenants to insure in the sum of £200

Letter from Dock Labourers' Union in regard to the payment of six temporary men for the last Church Holiday, read

It was agreed to take no action in the matter.

Resolution from Drogheda Workers' Council, protesting against the removal of the Union Hospital from Drogheda, read

No order made

Circular Letter No. 55, from Local Government Department, Dail Eireann, in connection with the superannuation of Officers, was read and adopted.

Letter from the Department of Local Government, Dail Eireann, intimating that the question of dealing with the profiteering

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profiteering on the part of Traders was receiving the consideration of the Dail Ministry.

P. Murphy

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday, the 6th December, 1921, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present :-

In the Chair, His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen J. E. Murphy, J. McDonnell.
Councillors P. Carroll, T. Carroll, T. Bateson, P. McCann, J. Davis, R. Murdock, R. Webster, L. J. Elcock, T. V. McQuillan, J. J. Callan, P. McNamara.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered Borough Fund £2,238 " 4 " 3
Public Library 69 " 19 " 10

✓ The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

W. Hughes/Marsh Rd Grazing Letting

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have arranged with Mr. W. Hughes, Marsh Road, to let the field, Dublin Road, on a grazing tenancy for next season at a rent of £12 : 10 . 0 per acre.

Austin to Connell Assignment of Lease Agreed to

"We have agreed to assent to an Assignment of the Lease of premises, West Street, from Mrs. Rose A. Austin to Mr. James Maurice Connell.

Official War Bonus

"We had under consideration the question of the War Bonuses granted to the Officials, and recommend that all War Bonuses be reduced by 33⅓ %

Dated 29 st November, 1921 P. O'Muineacain, Chairman"

His Worship the Mayor proposed and Councillor Davis seconded the adoption of the Report.

The following letter from the Officials was read.

"Gentlemen,

Referring to the decision of the Law & Finance Committee to reduce the Civil Service Scale of War Bonuses of all the Officials of the Corporation by 33⅓ %, the matter has been before the members of the Municipal Officers Association (Drogheda Branch)

"Before any definite decision has been arrived at by you we would like to point out that it was not until January 1920, that this Bonus

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Bonus was granted, and owing to the then financial position of the Corporation we waived our rights to make the Bonus retrospective as from the previous March. We also wish to point out that your Officials received no Bonus until January, 1920, although most Municipal Officers throughout the country had been in receipt of increases in salary of War Bonuses since 1916.

We do not admit that the cost of living has decreased to warrant any reduction in our bonuses, and before agreeing to any such reduction we request that the matter be left to Arbitration by the Ministry of Labour, Dail Eireann.

We might mention that the Salaries of your Officials compare very unfavourably with towns of similar size to Drogheda, and also that no attempt has yet been made to reduce the War Bonuses of Officials in other towns.

We are, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servants,
J. Carr, Town Clerk; P. P. Keeley, Borough Treasurer; J. J. Burke, C. S. O. & Borough Surveyor, pro tem.; Patrick Weldon, S. S. O. etc.; Patrick Stanley School Attendance Officer; Patrick Garvey, Sergeant-at-Mace; T. O'Connor, Assistant Town Clerk; P. J. Fitzpatrick, Sec. & Manager Gas Works."

At this stage the Council resolved itself into Committee to consider the question of the reduction of the Officials' War Bonus.

Alderman Murphy moved as an amendment, Councillor McNamara seconding, that the last paragraph in the Report of the Law & Finance Committee be amended, and that the matter of the reduction of the War Bonuses to the Officials be left to Arbitration by the Ministry of Labour, Dail Eireann.

On a division there voted:-

For the Amendment.	Against the Amendment.
Aldermen J. E. Murphy & J. McDonnell.	Councillors McCann, Davis, Webster, Murdock (4)
Councillors Elcock, P. Carroll, McQuillan, Callan, T. Carroll, McNamara, Bateson (9)	

The original motion having been declared lost, the amendment was put as a substantive motion and declared carried.

It was agreed that the Law & Finance Committee should act on behalf of the

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of the Council in the Arbitration proceedings.

The ordinary business of the Council was then taken up, and the Press admitted.

Gasworks Com. Report ✓

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor P. Carroll, the following Report of the Gas Works Committee was unanimously adopted :-

"Gentlemen,

Since the last Meeting of the Council we have held two meetings at the Gas Works Office, the business being largely Routine.

The question of arrears due received a good deal of consideration and attention. In some cases stringent measures will have to be adopted.

Gasworks Wharf ✓

The extension of the Gas Works Wharf Draft Conveyance was agreed to subject to conditions, and sent to the Secretary Drogheda Harbour Commissioners for approval of the Board of Trade.

A disputed account for quarter ending 30th June, 1921. (Gas used in Pumping House) was brought before us and received attention; no error was found in the account as regards this Department.

Two extra lamps were fitted and lighted - one in Duleek Street, and one on the Dublin Road near the Navan Railway Bridge, making a total of 74 half-night and 6 all-night lamps.

Dated 16th November, 1921. P. Omuineacain, Chairman."

An Dáil Auditors ✓ Report

A Report of An Dail Auditors, together with copies of Abstract of Accounts for the financial years ending 31st March 1920 & 1921 was submitted.

Ordered that copies of the Report and Abstract of Accounts be printed and circulated amongst the Members for consideration at the next Council meeting.

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A Report of Mr. J. J. Burke upon the works carried out in the Borough Surveyor's Department for the past month, was read.

No order made.

Owing to the present state of the Peace Negotiations His Worship the Mayor withdrew the following Notice of Motion standing in his name:

"That

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"That this Council is of the opinion that the continued ill-treatment of Irish Prisoners warrants the discontinuance of the Peace Negotiations."

The following letters of explanation for non-attendance at the meetings of the Corporation were read:-

re Councillor Dennis Reddan.

"Joseph Carr, Esq., Town Clerk.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 9th November.

I regret that through an accident to one of my legs, and to business worries I was unable to attend the meetings of the Corporation. If the Council will accept my apology, I will in future attend the Meetings more regularly.

Yours faithfully,
Dennis Reddan."

The Town Clerk, Drogheda.

"Dear Sir,

re Councillor Mullen

In reply to your letter notifying me of disqualification owing to my absence from the Corporation meetings for the past six months. I wish to say that having been appointed temporary Secretary of this Branch it was impossible for me to attend.

It may, however, be possible for me to attend the Council meetings in the new year.

Yours faithfully,
E. Mullen."

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re Councillor Fitzhenry

"A Cisps,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th inst., in reference to my absence from meetings of the Council. I regret very much that my removal from Drogheda prevented me from attending the Council meetings for some time past.

I certainly would have attended several meetings during the present year had there been a tram by which I could have returned to the City the same evening.

If, however, the Council is good enough to accept this explanation and apology, I hope to be able to make such arrangements as will enable me to put in some attendance during the coming year.

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Drogheda,
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"Town Clerk, Drogheda
Dear Sir,

re Councillor Rooney.

In reply to your letter of yesterday's date relative to my absence during the past six months from the Council meetings, I wish to state that I have no explanation to offer in extenuation of my serious dereliction of Public duty. I regret the inconvenience and trouble that the election of a successor will entail.

Yours faithfully,
E. Rooney".

Councillor Davis moved and Councillor Murdock seconded that consideration of the matter be deferred for three months.

Councillor P. Carroll moved as an amendment, Councillor Bateson seconding, that the following four seats should be declared vacant - those of Councillors Mullen, MacHenry, Rooney and the late Alderman Halpin.

On a division there voted:

For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
Alderman McDonnell,	Alderman Murphy.
Councillors P. Carroll &	Councillors McCann, Davis, Webster,
T. Bateson (3)	McQuillan, Callan, T. Carroll,
	McNamara, Murdock. (9)

The Amendment was accordingly declared lost.

Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates. List of.

The Rate Collector's Lists of Arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for the half-year ending 30th September, 1921, amounting to - Arrears £419 .. 3 .. 2, Irrecoverable Rates £71 .. 10 .. 3, were submitted and approved.

re Inland Fisheries

Circular letter from Fisheries Department, Dail Eireann, relating to the preservation of Inland Fisheries, was read and adopted.

The following letter was read and ordered to be inserted in the Minutes:-

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The Town Clerk,
Corporation, Drogheda.
"Dear Sir,

re The late Alderman Barry. Lr. of appreciation from Cork Council.

At a specially convened meeting of the Council of the County Borough of Cork, held on the 21st inst., Alderman De Roiste T.D. who accompanied the remains of the late Alderman Barry from Ballykinlar to his native City, referred to the respectful and sympathetic manner in which the remains were received by residents on the route from Castlewellan to Dublin.

"The Council have instructed me to convey to your Council, and through them to the residents of the Township, their cordial appreciation of the respect and sympathy which they paid to the remains of a good Irishman and a respected citizen of Cork.

Yours faithfully,

Acting Town Clerk."

The Mayor drew attention to two applications for reduction in the hire of the Mayoralty Rooms, which applications were before the Law & Finance Committee.

It was agreed not to alter the scale of charges presently in force.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday, the 3rd. day of January, 1922, at 8 o'clock pm.

Present:-

In the Chair: His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen, J. M. Stanley.
Councillors:- T. Carroll, F. Bateson, J. Fitzhenry, J. Davis, R. Murdock, R. Webster, D. Reddan, L. J. Elcock, T. McCabe, P. McNamara, P. Carroll, P. McCann.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments.

Payments ordered:-

Borough Fund:-	£1085 : 8 : 2
Public Library	12 : 9 : 4

Law & Finance Com. Report

The following report of the Law & Finance Committee was read & adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor J. Davis.

"Gentlemen,

F. Curtis re Surrender of Lease Shop St. premises

We have received an application from Mr. Curtis, Shop Street, to surrender the Lease of the premises in his occupation as he is unable to comply with the building covenants contained therein.

A Lease for a Term of 75 years was granted to Mr. Curtis on the 15th March, 1921, at a rent of £5 per annum, with a covenant to expend £1,400 upon repairs and alterations.

In view of the dangerous condition of the premises, and of the fact that building operations on the adjoining site are being delayed owing to the building of a party wall, we

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we have arranged to accept a surrender of the Lease from Mr. Curtis upon the condition that possession of the premises will be handed over on the 25th March next, and that the old rent of £25 ~~will~~ will be paid up to the date of ~~the~~ handing over possession, and that all legal costs in connection with the matter be paid by him. We recommend you to agree to this proposal.

Tenders Timber

We have had before us three tenders for the supply of Timber. The lowest quotation was that of Messrs. T. & C. Martin Ltd. Dublin, at £45 15.4 f.o.b. Drogheda, less 2½% discount and we recommend its acceptance.

Dated 19th Dec. 1921.

P. Murgeacain, Chairman."

Gas Works Committee Report

The following report of the Gas Works Committee read:-

"Gentlemen,

Since the last Council meeting we held only one meeting, the business being routine.

We made a contract for the surplus Gas Tar to Messrs. Anderson & Co. Ltd. for the year, at 34/- per 100 gallons on Works, the buyer supplying barrels & paying railway carriage.

There was one extra lamp fitted in James Street, opposite the bottom of Old Hill, making 81 lamps now lighted.

Gas Works Wharf

We enclose herewith Draft Conveyance of Gas Works Wharf for Execution by the Corporation.

Dated 30th December, 1921.

P. O'Murgeacain Chairman"

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor P. Carroll the report was unanimously adopted.

It was unanimously agreed to refer the Auditors Report and the Abstract of Accounts for years ended 31st March, 1920 and 1921 to the Law & Finance Committee.

Report of Borough Surveyor regarding work carried out in his Department for past month, together with a report of the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade were read.

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No order made

Letter from Drogheda Workers Council requesting the setting up of an Anti-Profiteering Committee was read

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed to hold a special meeting of the Council on Tuesday 10th inst to meet a deputation from the Drogheda Workers Council to hear their views on the question.

Arbitration re Officials War Bonus ✓

The following decision of the Arbitrator from the Ministry of Labour, Dail Eireann, in ~~the~~ relation to the Arbitration proceedings between the Corporation and their Officials relating to the reduction of War Bonuses was read and adopted -

"Arbitration Court held in Drogheda on 20th Dec. 1921.

In the matter of the Drogheda Corporation and the members of their Salaried Staff.

Decision

Arbitrators Award ✓

The Arbitrator is satisfied that the case made by the Corporation for a reduction in War Bonus is justified under existing circumstances, and decides that the reductions as hereunder are to apply as from 1st January, 1922, but no further reductions are to be made for at least six months from that date.

Town Clerk	33⅓%	off Bonus only. No interference with salary.
Boro Treasurer	33½%	" " " " " "
Mace Bearer	33⅓%	" " " " " "
P. Weldon S.S.O.	33⅓%	" " " " " "
Borough Surveyor	25%	" " " " " "
Gas Works Manager	25%	" " " " " "
School Attendance Offr	20%	" " " " " "
Asst. Town Clerk	20%	" " " " " "
Executive S.O. etc	25%	" " " " " "

(Signed) M. B. McAuliffe, Arbitrator"

re Wharf at Gas Works Draft Conveyance appd ✓

A Draft Deed of Conveyance from the Board of Trade for the purchase of the Wharf at the Gas Works premises was approved on the motion of Alderman Stanley seconded by Councillor Mc Manus.

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Deputation Workers Council re Anti-Profiteering Committee ✓

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, upon Tuesday, the 10th day of January, 1922, at 8 o'clock p.m.

To meet a Deputation from the Drogheda Workers Council and hear their views upon the question of the setting up of an Anti-Profiteering Committee.

Present.

In the Chair: His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen: J. McDonnell, J. M. Stanley
Councillors:- J. Carroll, P. Carroll, J. Batterson, R. Murdock, R. Webster, J. McCabe.

A Deputation from the Drogheda Workers' Council attended and urged the setting up of an Anti-Profiteering Committee.

After a lengthy discussion it was decided to take no action in the matter.

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Minutes of a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Monday, the 30th day of January, 1922, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan).
Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, J.M.cDonnell, B.E. Allen, J.M. Stanley.
Councillors:- P. Carroll, T. Carroll, J. Fitzhenry, R. Murdock, J. Davis, H. Balfe, F. Bateson, R. Webster, D. Reddan, P. McCann, L.J. Elcock, T. McCabe, J. Callan, P. McNamara, T.V. McQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Councillor Bateson proposed and Councillor P. Carroll seconded that the mace and sword be removed.

His Worship the Mayor thereupon had the mace & sword removed from the Council Chamber.

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Election of Mayor ✓ Alderman Monahan Re-Elected

Alderman J.E. Murphy proposed and Alderman J.M. Stanley seconded, that the out-going Mayor, Alderman Philip Monahan, be re-elected Mayor for the year ending 30th January, 1923.

Alderman J.M.cDonnell proposed and Councillor F. Bateson seconded that Councillor Patrick Carroll be elected Mayor for year ending 30th January, 1923.

On a poll there voted for:-

Monahan	Carroll.
Aldermen:- Allen, Murphy, Stanley.	Aldermen:- J.M.cDonnell
Councillors:- Reddan, McCann, Davis, Elcock, Balfe, Webster, Fitzhenry, McQuillan, Callan, McCabe, McNamara, Murdock (15)	Councillors:- T. Carroll & Bateson (3)

The Chairman accordingly declared himself elected Mayor for the ensuing year, and thereupon made a Declaration of acceptance of Office.

Election of Committees ✓

The election of Committees was next proceeded with. The same members were elected on all the Committees with the exception that Councillor D. Reddan replaces J.C. Thornhill on the Asst. Finance and Gas

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Gas Works Committees.

On the motion of Alderman Stanley seconded by Councillor McCabe it was unanimously resolved:- "That the remaining Quarterly meetings of the Council be held at 8 o'clock p.m. on the 4th April, 4th July and 3rd October 1922".

P. Murphy

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Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday, the 7th day of February, 1922, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:

In the Chair: His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen: J.E. Murphy, J. Mc Donnell, B.E. Allen.

Councillors: J. Carroll, P. Carroll, R. Murdock, J. Davis, R. Webster, T. Mc Cabe, L.J. Elcock, J.J. Callan, P. Mc Cann.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Payments. Payments ordered:-

Borough Fund	£1,298 : 3 : 1
Public Library	25 : 14 : 0

Payments of £66 : 9 : 2 and £77 : 4/- were sanctioned to T. O'Connor, Assistant Town Clerk, and to P. Mc Kenney, Scavenging Department, being half salary and wages during time of Internment.

Law & Finance Committee - Report ✓

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

We have had an application from the Rev. Chancellor L.P.J. Ledoux for the purchase of premises known as the 'Sunday School House' in Magdalene Street. These premises are held under a Lease for a term of 89 years at a rent of £6 per annum and the Lease will expire in March, 1927.

Chancellor Ledoux re Proposal to purchase "Sunday School House" Prem. ✓

After due consideration of the application we recommend you to agree to the sale for a sum of £50.

We have had under consideration the Auditor's Report for the Financial Years ending 31st March, 1920 and 1921, and order that the following recommendations be carried out:-

✓ Control of Corporation Stores

That in future when the Borough Surveyor has occasion to carry out work for private individuals he shall immediately report to the Town Clerk

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Clerk the nature of the work to be carried out and the cost thereof.

We have already put into operation the recommendation dealing with the keeping of a Store Room and the appointment of a Stores Clerk.

We are of opinion that the recommendation in reference to the checking of the materials required in the repairing of roads etc. could not be very well carried out without incurring an unnecessary expense, and we find in practice that the system at present in force is working satisfactorily.

✓ Taxes: In view of the unsatisfactory state of the Records we have agreed to ask the Local Government Department, Dail Eireann, to send down an Expert to investigate the heavy and the Register of Voters of the Corporation with a view to the appointment of a Local Solicitor for this purpose.

✓ Covenants

We have directed the Borough Treasurer to insist upon the production by tenants of Fire Insurance Renewal Receipt at time of payment of Rent and to make a note of such production in the Rental.

✓ Mayoralty House, Cottages etc:

We have directed the Borough Treasurer to prepare and keep a proper account of receipts and expenditure for Mayoralty House and Old and New Cottages.

✓ Rate Collection:

We do not think it desirable to alter the present system of paying Rate Collector's poundage.

✓ Hospital Patients

We have requested the Executive Sanitary Officer to send a copy of the Auditor's recommendation to the various Hospitals to which patients are sent.

✓ Public Lighting

The Gas Works Department have now fitted meters to some of the Public Lamps, so that in future the consumption of gas for public lighting can be more accurately checked.

The G.N.R. Breweries have made an application to take an electric cable from the Brewery premises to their Stores and Malt Houses on Wellington Quay.

We recommend you to agree to the application, subject to the submission and approval of plans, and to an undertaking being given that no other premises be lighted from their electric connection except those under the control of the Company.

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We also recommend you to agree to the Droghda Oatmeal Milling Co taking an overhead electric cable from their premises, Constitution Hill, to Stones on the North Strand.

Dated 16th January, 1922

P. O'Murgeachain, Chairman"

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman J. McDonnell, the Report was unanimously adopted.

Read Report of Gas Works Committee as follows:-

Gas Works Committee Report ✓

"Gentlemen,

Coke. Reduction in price

We recommend that the price of Coke on Works be reduced from 3/- per cwt. to 2/6 per cwt., same rate per ton, on and from Monday, 9th January, 1922. We also recommend that Coke breeze be sold at £1 per ton on Works.

Gas. Price reduced.

We recommend that the price of Gas be reduced from 8/4 to 7/6 per 1,000 cubic feet on and from 1st January, 1922. New price for Slot meters users 8/4 per 1,000 cubic fut.

A Test Holder has been erected on Works to facilitate the testing of consumers meters.

Compensation Claim Settled

The Compensation Claim for breaking of Lamp Pillar at Peter Street is settled, the defendant having paid £2:10/- and costs.

Extra lamps.

The following extra Lamps have been fitted and lighted:

1. James Street, opposite Old Mill Steps
2. Georges Street, opposite Gravel Walk.
3. Corner Patricks well Lane, opposite Abbey House.

Dated 1st February, 1922

P. O'Murgeachain, Chairman"

It was agreed to refer back to Gas Works Committee for further consideration the following paragraph: "New Price for Slot users 8/4 per 1000 cubic fut"

The Report as amended was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor P. Carroll.

Law & Finance Committee Report ✓

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

We

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Reduction of Wages of all Employees.

We have had under consideration the question of reducing the wages of all your employees. In view of the reduction in wages generally we feel that your Employees wages should be correspondingly reduced, and in order to have the matter amicably settled we appointed a Sub-Committee to wait the mens' Representatives met on the 27th January, and after a lengthy discussion the Sub-Committee suggested a reduction of 4/- per week in the wages of the ordinary Employees and 6/- per week in the wages of the Gas Works Stokers. The mens' representatives undertook to put the proposal before the Corporation Workmen and to let the Sub-Committee know the result on Friday, 3rd February. The Sub-Committee again met the mens representatives on the 3rd inst. when the latter stated that the men refused to accept any reduction in their wages.

At our meeting held on yesterday the result of the negotiations was reported and we unanimously agreed to recommend you to reduce the ordinary workmen by 4/- per week and the Gas Works Stokers by 6/- per week, such reduction to come into effect from the week commencing Wednesday, 15th inst., unless in the meantime the men agree to submit the question of the reduction in wages to Arbitration.

Dated 16th February, 1922.

P. O'Murgeachain, Chairman"

His Worship the Mayor proposed, Ald. B. E. Allen seconding, the adoption of the Report.

The Report was adopted, Councillor McCabe dissenting.

Borough Surveyors Report.

Report of the Borough Surveyor on work carried out in his Department was read as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

During the month the Roller was engaged breaking Stones and Rolling the Marsh Road.

I am having the concrete footpaths repaired where they were broken by the Gas Co. laying laying service pipes.

The practice of dumping refuse in Harbour Lane, off Bachelors Lane, still continues. It must be deposited there very late at night or early in the morning. I had a watch kept on the place up to 11 o'clock at night but failed to catch the offenders.

The roads and Streets were regularly scavenged during the month.

Yours

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Your obedient Servant,
(signed) Jno. J. Burke."

No order made.

Agreement for Surrender of Lease of Premises Shop St. (Frankfurt's) Executed.

An Agreement between Francis Curtis, Shop Street, and the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Drogheda for the surrender of Lease demised to the said Francis Curtis for a term of 75 years from the 29th September, 1920 and the handing up of possession of the premises in his occupation on the 25th March, 1922, was this day executed.

Circular letter from the Wexford Employees and Traders' Federation re weekly half holiday read.

No order made

re Payment of Govt. Grants.

Circular letter from the L. G. Department, Dail Eireann, re payment of Government Grants was read and adopted.

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February 20th

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Monday the 20th day of February, 1922.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan)
Aldermen:- J. McDonnell, B.E. Allen.
Councillors:- P. Carroll, T. Carroll, J. J. Callan, D. Reddan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion His Worship the Mayor moved:-

re Employees Wages Report of Law & Finance Com. 6th Feby. rescinded

That the Report of the Law & Finance Committee dated 6th February relating to the reduction in Employees' wages be and is hereby rescinded;

That the question of reduction of Employees' wages be submitted to Arbitration of Labour Department, Dail Eireann; and that the Arbitrator's award not to be put into effect until the 1st April next.

Alderman B.E. Allen having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

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March 7th

Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday, the 7th day of March, 1922, at 8 o'clock pm

Present:-

In the Chair: His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen: J. E. Murphy, J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen.
Councillors: P. Carroll, F. Batison, P. McCann, R. Murdock, T. Carroll, R. Webster, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Callan, T. McCabe, P. McNamara.

Minutes.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Payments.

Payments Passed:

Borough Fund	£5,701 : 3 : 4
Public Library	10 : 4 : 0
	£5,711 : 7 : 4

Law & Finance Committee Report. ✓

The following report of the Law & Finance Committee was read

"Gentlemen

Owing to the difficulty of procuring stones and gravel for the Roads we have had under consideration for some time past the question of providing a quarry field for this purpose. With this object in view we have entered into negotiations with the Boyne Weaving & Finishing Co. Ltd. for the taking over of a field at Green Hills known as the "Stoney Lane" field. The Borough Surveyor reported that this field contains pit stones, gravel & sand. This field, containing 1a. 1r. 27p. Statute measure was leased by the Corporation to the Boyne Spinning and Weaving Co. Ltd. for a term of 31 years at rent of £4 per annum, and will expire in March, 1926

re Boyne Weaving & Finishing Co. Ltd. & Surrender of Lease of field known as "Stoney Lane" field

The Boyne Weaving & Finishing Co. has now agreed to surrender the Lease of this field so that the Corporation can start opening a Gravel Pit, and we recommend you to accept the surrender of the Lease

We also recommend you to enter into an Agreement with the Boyne Weaving & Finishing Co. Ltd. to grant them a Lease of a field at Greenhills adjoining their Mills premises, containing 2r. 23p. for a term of 11 years from March, 1925, at a rent of £5

re Agreement for Lease Boyne Weaving & Finishing Co. Ltd. at Greenhills.

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£5 per annum. We wish to express our appreciation of the manner in which Mr. W. J. D. Walker has facilitated us in the negotiations for the taking over of the field for a gravel Pit.

Lease to Joseph W. Moore premises St. Catherine's Terrace Chord Rd.

A Lease of 3 weekly tenements at St. Catherine's Terrace, Chord Road, expired on the 1st Feb. last and the Lessee, Mr. Joseph W. Moore, Chord Road, has applied for a renewal at a rent of £30 per annum. Owing to the good condition in which Mr. Moore has kept the property we recommend you to grant him a Lease of these premises for a term of 31 years from the 25th March, next at the yearly rent of £30

Dated 20th February, 1922

P. O'Muineacain, Chairman."

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Allen, the Report was unanimously adopted.

Read Report of Gas Works Committee as follows:-

Gas Works Committee Report. ✓

"Gentlemen,

Gas. re reduction in price of.

We beg to report that we had under consideration the question of the Rate of 8/4 per 1,000 cubic feet chargeable to slot consumers which was referred back from last Council meeting and for the following reasons we cannot see our way to alter the recommendation submitted in our previous Report:

1. Ordinary consumers purchase or hire their meters and Cookers Slot consumers do not.

2. To be on equality with ordinary consumers who pay hire on meter and Cooker Slot consumers should use an average each of 16,000 c. f. per annum at a rate of 10d per 1,000 c. f. over price charged to ordinary consumer. Average used per annum per Slot consumer 14,000 c. f.

3. Where the average consumption is less than 16,000 c. f. per annum slot consumers even paying 10d extra per 1,000 c. f. fare better than ordinary consumers.

4. Cost of upkeep and collection of Slot meters double that of ordinary consumers.

5. Present price of Slot Meter £1 over price of ordinary meter, same size.

While considering the outlay of large amount of money on absolutely necessary repairs and renewals of Retorts at the Gas Works during the present year, we have also had under consideration

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consideration the advisability of an Electric installation for the Borough and as the adoption of the a scheme or otherwise would alter our direction of Outlay at the Gas Works, we recommend that a report be got from an Electrical Engineering Expert as to the cost and general advisability of such a scheme.

Dated 15th February, 1922.

P. O'Muineacain, Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor moved that the Report be adopted and that the last paragraph of the Report be referred to the Law & Finance Committee for consideration.

Councillor P. Carroll having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Allotments Committee Report.

Upon the Motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor McCabe, the following Report of the Allotments Committee was read and unanimously adopted.

"Gentlemen

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the question of taking over land for cultivation in Allotments for coming season.

The following fields were under Allotments last season:

Name of field	Number of plots in field	Number of plots vacant	Number of individual Plotholders	Number of applicants this season
Blackbutt Lane	26 - 1/16	nil	22	15
Finegan's Field (North Rd)	28 - do.	nil	24	28
Hardman's Garden	36½ - do.	4½	27	9
Cromwell's Mount	49 - do.	12	25	10
Platten Road & Priest Lane	6 - do.	nil	6	6
Marsh Road	32 - 1/8	[illegible]	29	20

In view of the small number of applicants for plots in Hardman's Garden & Cromwell's Mount fields and to the fact that a number of plots were left vacant last season we recommend you to hand over possession of these fields to the owners.

Release from K. McCourt. Expiration of.

The Lease from Mrs. K. McCount to the Corporation of the Marsh Road field expired on the 1st inst, but as a large number of plot-holders have expressed a desire to retain their plots in this field we recommend you to take a further letting

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from Mrs. McCount

We also recommend you to continue the allotments in Blackbutt Lane, Finegan's Field and Platten Road at a rent of 8/- per one sixteenth acre plot, being a reduction of 1/8 per plot on last season's rent.

Dated 3rd March, 1922

P. O'Muineacain, Chairman.

Law & Finance Committee Supplemental Report.

The following copy of a supplemental Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

Unemployment Relief of. Allocation of £1000 to Co. Louth.

We beg to report that the Irish Provisional Government has allocated to County of Louth a special grant of £1000 for the relief of unemployment for the work on roads or other re-constructive work on which Labour can be immediately employed. The Louth County Council has allocated the grant to the various Districts in the proportion of their valuation, and Drogheda's share amounts to £623.

The surface of the Fair Green for some time past has given rise to complaints by the users, and in order to improve same it would require a considerable amount of money. Mr Burke, Acting Borough Surveyor, has prepared a scheme for the surfacing of the Fair Green at a cost of £780 and we recommend you to approve of the expenditure of the grant upon this work, which we consider the most urgent and useful that the money can be expended upon.

Dated 6th March, 1922.

P. O'Muineacain, Chairman.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Ald. Allen.

A report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read and adopted.

The following Leases were this day executed unto:-

(1) Mr. William McHugh of George's Street, Drogheda, of Dwelling House

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William Mc Hugh
Lease Executed.
George St. premises

house and garden situate on the west side of George's Street Drogheda for a term of 31 years from the 29th day of September 1921, at the yearly rent of £7 10/-, covenants to expend within one year the sum of £300 upon permanent repairs and improvements, and to insure in the sum of £300.

Mary J. Graham.
Lease Chord Rd premises
Executed

(2) Mrs. Mary J. Graham, Chord Road, Drogheda, of dwelling-house and messuage situate on the South side of the Chord Road, Drogheda, for a term of 75 years from the 29th September, 1921, at the yearly rent of £15, covenants to expend within one year the sum of £600 upon permanent repairs and improvements, and to insure in the sum of £800; together with an Indenture of Agreement on Lease whereby it is recited that when the said repairs and improvements shall be carried to the satisfaction of the Engineer, who shall thereupon issue a Certificate to this effect, the yearly rent payable in respect of said premises from the gale day next after the date of said certificate, shall be the sum of £5 per annum in substitution for the rent of £15.

Agreement endorsed on Lease reducing Rent

A resolution from the Drogheda Workers Council requesting the Corporation to proceed with a Housing Scheme forthwith was read.

No order made

His Worship the Mayor intimated that an Inspector from the English Local Government Board called upon the Town Clerk & Borough Surveyor in reference to acquiring the Workhouse field, Dublin Road, for the building of 20 houses under the Irish Land (Provision for Sailors and Soldiers) Act, 1919.

It was agreed to summon a special meeting of the Law & Finance Committee to consider the matter.

Wage reduction.
Arbitration held

His Worship the Mayor also reported that the Arbitration from the Ministry of Labour, Dail Eireann, held the Arbitration proceedings in connection with the proposed reduction in wages, on Friday last. Tomorrow

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April 4th

Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, the 4th day of April, 1922.

Present:

In the Chair: His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman: J. McDonnell.
Councillors: L. Carroll, F. Bateson, P. Carroll, J. Davis, R. Murdock, P. McCann, R. Webster, T. McCabe, L.J. Elcock, J.J. Callan.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments.

Payments passed: Borough Fund £1,119 : 10 : 11
Public Library 7 : 6 : 5

Law & Finance Committee Report.

The following report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Gentlemen:-

We have had under consideration the proposal of the English Local Government Board for acquiring the field, Dublin Road, for the purpose of building houses under the Irish Land (Provision for Sailors & Soldiers) Act, 1919. In view of the bad housing conditions and in order to relieve unemployment we recommend that this site be sold for building purposes upon terms to be arranged at a later date.

Proposal of English L.G.B. re field Dublin Rd. for building under Irish Land (Provision for Sailors & Soldiers) Act 1919.

We recommend that Leases be granted to:-

(1) The Louth County Council of the Weights and Measures Office, New Quays for a term of 31 years, from the 25th March, last, at the yearly rent of ~~£5~~ £2.

Louth Co. Council re Lease of Weights & Measures Office New Quays.

(2) The Guardians, Drogheda Union, of the Dispensary premises, John Street, for a term of 31 years, from the 25th March last

Guardians Drogheda Union re Lease of Dispensary John St.

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last, at the yearly rent of £8.

Dated 27th March, 1922.

P. O'Murnaghan, Chairman"

Upon the Motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Davis, the Report was unanimously adopted.

Report of J.J. Burke, acting Borough Surveyor, upon the work carried out in his Department for the past month was read and adopted

Conveyance from Board of Trade & Land Fronting Gas Works. Executed in triplicate

A Conveyance in triplicate between the Board of Trade and the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Drogheda of all that piece of Land being now or formerly part of the Foreshore and bed of the River Boyne, below high water mark, situate on the South side of the River and fronting the Gas Works premises, consideration money £20, was this day executed.

Award of Arbitrator, Dail Eireann re Employees' Wages Reduction

Award of Arbitrator, Dail Eireann, in the matter of the Corporation and their Employees intending that the wages of all the Employees of the Corporation in the list set out in paragraph 2 shall be reduced by 4/- per week as from the 1st April; and that the award shall remain undisturbed for a period of six months, was read and adopted.

re Housing Scheme Grants for.

Circular letter from Irish Provisional Government (Housing Department) re grants for Housing Schemes and the Striking of a Special Housing Rate, was read.

Resolution from Drogheda Workers Council urging the striking of a Housing Rate of 2/- in the £ to take advantage of the Provisional Governments offer as set out in their circular letter, was read.

His Worship the Mayor explained that the Housing and Finance Committee were dealing with the matter and that a report would be submitted in due course.

P O'Murnaghan

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April 11th

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 11th day of April 1922; to consider Rate Estimates for financial year ending 31st March 1923.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy, J. McDonnell.

Councillors:- P. Carroll, F. Bateson, P. McCann, F.T. Carroll, J. Hallinan, T. McCabe.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Local Finance Committee Report Rate Estimates

A Report of the Local Finance Committee submitting Rate Estimates for year ending 31st March 1923 and recommending a total rate of 10/- in the £. was read.

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor T. Carroll the Report and Rate Estimates were unanimously adopted.

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May 2nd.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, at 8 o'clock p. m. on Tuesday, the 2nd day of May, 1922.

Present:-

In the Chair, His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen. J. W. Donnell, B. E. Allen, J. M. Stanley,
Councillors P. Carroll, T. Carroll, P. McCann, J. Davis, R. Webster, T. W. Cabe, P. W. Namara.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered. Borough Fund £1306 " 12 " 9
Public Library 28 " 16 " 6.

Law & Finance Committee. Report. The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor P. Carroll.

"Gentlemen,

re Vacancy Borough Surveyor. J. J. Burke appt'd. We beg to report that we have had under consideration the question of the filling of the Office of Borough Surveyor, rendered vacant by the resignation of Mr. T. J. Delahunty in June, 1920. Mr. J. J. Burke has been acting as Temporary Borough Surveyor since the Office became vacant at a Salary of £20 per month. Having regard to the satisfactory manner in which Mr. Burke has carried out the duties of the Office, we now recommend that he be permanently appointed Borough Surveyor at a salary of £300 per annum, and that he resign his present Offices of Executive Sanitary Officer, Clerk to the Local Authority under the Contagious Diseases Animals Act, and Registrar of Workshops. We also recommend that Mr. J. Carr, Town Clerk, be appointed to the latter Offices at a salary of £60 per annum. By this arrangement a saving of £50 per annum will be effected. These appointments are, of course, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department, Dail Eireann.

E. San. Officer, Clerk under Cont. Diseases Animals Act & Reg. Workshops. J. J. Carr Tn. Clk. appt'd.

Rate Collector's poundage increased. Owing to the reduction in the current year's rate from 15/6 to 10/- in the £, we have agreed to increase the Rate Collector's poundage fee from 4d to 5½d. in the £.

Upon his application we have agreed to grant a further extension to Mr. Francis Curtis for the handing up of possession of the premises in his

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occupation in Shop Street, to the 30th June next, upon the understanding that he is remaining in possession at his own risk, and that he will pay the rent of £25 per annum up to the date of handing over possession.

Receivers Irish Packing Co. Ltd. re Reversionary Lease. "The Solicitors for the Receivers of the Irish Packing Co., Ltd., have asked us to state if Reversionary Leases would be granted to the proposed purchasers of the Irish Packing Company's premises.

"In order to facilitate the re-opening of these premises, we recommend you to agree to Reversionary Leases for a term of 99 years at the same rents as are being presently paid, subject of course, to the purchasers being approved by the Council.

"We have agreed to grant permission to the C. B & D. Breweries, Co., Ltd., to take an Electric Cable Connection to Mr. J. C. Thornhill's house, Old Abbey.

re Charges for Sand at Greenhills Gravel Pit. "We have directed the Borough Surveyor to sell the sand out of the Gravel Pit at Greenhills at 3/- per load un-screened. The Borough Surveyor will, of course, be responsible for the checking of the quantity sold.

re Leases for years 1900 to 1913. Covenants Complied with. "The Borough Surveyor has reported that the Covenants contained in Leases granted from the years 1900 to 1913 have all been complied with.

re Peter St. Direction Post. Claim for damage to paid. "A Paying Order for £10 has been received from the R. I. C. Gormanstown, to cover the claim for damage to the direction post at bottom of Peter Street.

Dated 10th April, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman."

Gas Works Committee Report. The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

Repairs & Renewals of Plant. Tenders invited. We had under consideration the question of Repairs and Renewals of Plant on Works, which it is absolutely necessary to have carried out, and have invited tenders for the following works:-

(1) Reconstruction of two large Purifiers and repairs to cover of small Purifier.
(2) Supplying and re-setting of eight Retorts with Regenerator Furnace, utilizing existing iron work.

"We recommend that Messrs. Dempster & Sons Ltd., Elland Yorkshire, at £430 for No. 1 Contract and Messrs. Sugden & Co., Ltd., Leeds, at £420 for No. 2 Contract be declared Contractors.

Borough Fund. Refund to. "We recommend that a sum of £1800 be refunded to the Borough Fund, being half the amount received by this Department to pay off a deficit in revenue in the year 1920-1921.

Audit of Accounts for past Financial year. "We recommend that a firm of Chartered Accountants be employed to audit the accounts of this Department for the past Financial Year, the arrangement

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arrangement for fees for this work to be left in the hands of the Gas Works Committee.

Dated 26th April, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman".

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Davis, the Report was unanimously adopted.

Housing Committee Report of.

The following Report of the Housing Committee was read and adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Allen:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the circular letter of the Irish Provisional Government of the 16th ult. in connection with a grant for Housing.

Special Housing Rate to be struck.

"As a preliminary step we recommend the Law & Finance Committee to strike a Special Housing Rate in this years Estimates of 1/6 in the £. so as to take advantage of the Government Grant.

Architect for Scheme. Appt. of Louis Turley.

"We have agreed to appoint Mr. Louis Turley, Lawrence Street, as Architect for the Housing Scheme, and Mr. Turley is presently engaged upon the preparation of House Designs and lay-out Plans, which will be submitted to the Housing Department of the Local Government Board for their approval.

Acquiring of Sites, and negotiation for loan £5000 I. Prov. Government

"We are also negotiating for the acquiring of sites in Thomas Street, Sandyford Alley and North Road, to commence building as soon as the money is available. In accordance with the circular letter of the Provisional Government, we are in negotiation for a loan of £5,000

"We wish to point out that your Committee are sparing no effort to have the Housing Scheme pushed through as quickly as possible. When the plans have been approved, and the other negotiations complete a further detailed report upon the proposed Housing Scheme will be submitted for your approval.

Dated 10th April, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman".

The Annual Report of the Cat Inspector was read and adopted.

A Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read and adopted.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor P. Carroll moved.

"That

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"That the portion of the Resolution of the 30th January, 1920, fixing the third Tuesday of each month for meeting of the Urban Sanitary Authority be and is hereby rescinded.

"And that in future all meetings of the Urban Sanitary Authority be held immediately after the Council meeting upon the first Tuesday of each month."

Councillor McCabe having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Rates. Striking of.

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman J. McDonnell, it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council do hereby make, strike, and impose a Borough Rate of sixty seven pence in the pound on the owners, occupiers or tenants of all hereditaments within the Borough rateable for the relief of the poor upon the annual value thereof - that is to say, twenty six pence in the pound levied under the provisions of the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Acts and the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, in order to raise the sum of £3,914 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses for Town purposes for the year ending 31st March, 1923; Nineteen pence in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and the Acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £2,056 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of the Water Supply for the year ending 31st March, 1923; One penny in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (I) Act, 1878, and Acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £110.12.11. being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses of the Child Welfare Scheme for the year ending 31st March, 1923; One penny in the pound for expenses under "The Public Libraries Acts 1855 to 1920" in order to raise the sum of £110.12.11. being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses to be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said last mentioned Acts for the year ending 31st March, 1923; Two pence in the pound for expenses under "The Technical Instruction Act, 1899" and "The Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act, 1899", in order to raise the sum of £221.6.10 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said Acts for the year ending 31st March, 1923; Eighteen pence in the pound for expenses under the

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Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts, 1890 to 1921, in order to raise the sum of £1,991 .. 12 .. 3, being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses of carrying into effect the provisions of the last mentioned Acts for the year ending 31st March, 1923.

"That the Rate Book and all the entries made therein be, and the same is hereby adopted as the Rate Book by the Council, and that the same be duly signed as such, and it is hereby ordered that the said Rates shall be payable on and after the 2nd day of May, 1922

"That the Council do hereby make, strike and impose upon the occupiers of all property within the Borough a Poor Rate of Fifty three pence in the pound upon the annual value of all such property under the Irish Poor Relief Acts, and the Local Government (Ireland) Acts, 1898-1902, in order to raise the sum of £5,925 .. 10/-, which has been estimated will meet, for the year ending 31st March, 1923, the Demand of the County Council, and also the expenses of the Council, to be defrayed out of Poor Rate, under the last mentioned Acts and Acts amending and extending the same, and that the same shall be payable on and after the 2nd day of May, 1922."

Rate Book & Collector's Warrant. Granted & Sealed

The various Estimates having been submitted and formally approved, the Rate Book and Collector's Warrant were duly executed and sealed.

Rate Collectors Arrears and Irrecoverable Rate list approved

The Rate Collector's lists of Arrears and Irrecoverable Rates amounting to £266 .. 14 .. 11 and £94 .. 6 .. 10 respectively for the half year ending 31st March, 1922, were submitted and approved.

A Resolution of the Wexford Rural District Council re Boycott of English manufactured Cement and purchase of German Cement until Drinagh Cement Works have been re-opened, was read.

Upon the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor Webster it was decided to mark the Communication read.

re Housing Scheme. Ltr. from I. Prov. Govt.

Circular Letter from Housing Department of the Irish Provisional Government setting out terms for Loans from Irish Banks for Housing Schemes, was read and adopted.

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman W Donnell, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted :-

"That

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Sympathy with fol. of Const. Bentley shot

"That we express our sincere sympathy with the relatives of the late Constable Bentley shot outside Drogheda.

"That we are of the opinion that all sections of the Irish Army should guarantee that the Truce should be rigidly preserved, and that assurance be given that no further attacks would be made on English troops until the Truce is officially terminated.

"That we strongly condemn the wanton destruction and indiscriminate shooting carried out in the Town on Monday night, the 1st inst., by the Gormanstown Forces, and we call upon the Authorities controlling these forces to take steps to prevent a repetition.

"That copies of this Resolution be sent to :-

O/C., R. I. C., Gormanstown

O/C., I.R.A., Millmount Barracks, Drogheda.

Col. Comdt. Landers, 1st Eastern Division, I.R.A."

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday, 6th June, 1922, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:

In the chair — Councillor J. J. Callan.

Councillors — T. White, P. W. Cann, J. Davis, R. Murdock, R. Webster, P. O'Namara.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed

Payments. Monthly Payments — Borough Fund £1326 : 15 : 11

Public Library 13 : 10 : 3

Law & Finance Committee Report. The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have arranged the following lettings and recommend you to approve of same:-

Mrs. Eliz.th G. May, Fair St. Lease &c. (1) Lease to Mrs. Elizabeth G. May, Fair Street, of premises on the south side of Lawrence Street, for a term of 31 years from the 25th March last, at the yearly rent of £30, covenants to expend the sum of £65 upon repairs.

Daniel Branigan Magdalene St. Licensed Premises. Lease &c. (2) Lease to Mr. Daniel Branigan of Licensed house and premises on the west side of Magdalene Street, for a term of 31 years from the 25 March last, at the yearly rent of £20, covenants to expend the sum of at least £250 upon permanent repairs and improvements in accordance with plans and specifications submitted and approved.

Mrs. E. Supple & Miss Emily Leland: Fair St. Yearly Tenancies (3) Yearly tenancy to Mrs. E. Supple and Miss Emily Leland of premises on the south side of Fair Street, at the yearly rents of £19 and £28 respectively.

Malicious Injury Claims. To be defended. "A large number of Malicious Injury Claims in connection with the recent destruction of property in the Borough by Crown Forces and with the Belfast Boycott have been served upon the Town Clerk, the total of which amount to £17,882 : 6 : 6.

"We recommend that the Law Agent be instructed to take the necessary steps to defend these Claims.

Claim for damage to Tholsel Clock & Rochael Reservoir. "We have also given directions for Malicious Injury Claims to be lodged for damage to the Tholsel Clock and Rosehall Reservoir.

Dated

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Dated 2nd May, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman"

Upon the Motion of Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor Webster the Report was unanimously adopted.

Bye-laws & Markets Committee. Report. The following Report of the Bye-Laws and Markets Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the question of fixing Tolls for the various Markets, and recommend you to adopt the following scale:-

Tolls. Fixing of. Fair Greens.

Fair Green, Chester Lane

Fat Cattle	4d. each
Stores	3d "
Yearlings	2d "

Pig Markets. Pig Market, Potato Market Square.

Young Pigs (in carts or creels)	1d per head
Pigs on foot	2d "
Fat Pigs in Carts	2d "

Fish Markets. Fish Market, Dyer Street

Outside Market, with load of Herrings	3d.
Every Stone Slab inside Market (each)	2d.

"The above Scale of Tolls must be approved by the Local Government Department, Dail Eireann, and when sanction has been received, due public notice will be given and the Tolls collected as soon as possible.

"The work of re-surfacing the new Fair Green will be completed next week.

Dated 2nd June, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman"

The Report was unanimously adopted upon the motion of Councillor O'Namara, seconded by Councillor Murdock.

Boro. Surveyor Report of. The following Report of the Borough Surveyor was read:-

"Gentlemen,

I have repeatedly called the attention of shopkeepers in West Street, Shop Street, and Lawrence Street to the dangerous condition of their cellar railings. In many cases I have known them to be repaired more than once, and I am assured by the owners that the cause of the trouble is due to the wheeling of lorry trucks on the footpaths by news-

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agents, messengers and others.

"The Police Authorities regulate traffic in other towns, and I would suggest that their attention be called to this nuisance.

"During the month the Steam roller was working on the Fair Green. All the roads and streets have been regularly scavanged."

Your obedient servant.

John J. Burke"

Ordered that copy of the Report be forwarded to the Chief of Police requesting him to take steps to prevent lorry trucks being wheeled on the footpaths.

re Housing Scheme / Dhera workers Council & direct labour.

Resolution from the Drogheda Workers' Council requesting that the houses under the proposed Housing Scheme be erected by direct labour, was referred to the Housing Committee.

Circular letter from the Irish Products League asking for support for Irish Manufactured goods was read and adopted.

L.G. Dept. Dail Eireann / appointment of Boro. Surveyor Sanction to.

Letter from Local Government Dept., Dail Eireann sanctioning appointment of Mr. J. J. Burke as Borough Surveyor, at a salary of £300, was read.

Circular letter from Local Government Dept., Dail Eireann, inviting representatives to a meeting in Dublin, in connection with the buying and standardising of certain goods, was read.

His Worship the Mayor, Councillor Davis and Mr. J. J. Burke were appointed as delegates to attend the meeting.

Circular letter from Local Government Dept., Dail Eireann, relating to expense of patients sent to extern Hospitals, was read.

Letter from Local Government Dept., in connection with taxing of Solicitors' Bills of Costs.

Circular letter from Irish Provisional Government, dealing with advances in respect of injury to property, was read.

Letter from Comndt. R.I.C. Camp, Gormanstown acknowledging vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Const. Bentley, was read.

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1922. July, 4th.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, upon Tuesday, the 4th July, 1922, at 8 o'clock, p. m.

Present:-

In the Chair — Alderman J. E. Murphy.
Alderman — J. M. Stanley.
Councillors — P. W. Cann, J. Davis, R. Webster, T. W. Cabe.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered — Borough Fund £1080 : 1 : 7.

Law & Finance Committee. Report. Tenders.

Report of Law & Finance Committee read as follows:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have invited tenders for the painting of Dominick's Bridge, 24 Cottages in Windmill Lane, Mayoralty House Kitchen and Market House, and received the following quotations:-

	No. 1.	No. 2	No. 3.
Dominick's Bridge	285 : 0 : 0	No quotation	136 : 0 : 0
Cottages	39 : 0 : 0	42 : 0 : 0	56 : 0 : 0
Mayoralty House	11 : 5 : 0	13 : 10 : 0	12 : 19 : 0
Market House	16 : 10 : 0	28 : 10 : 0	54 : 10 : 0

M. McGuigan Contractor

No. 1 tender (Contractor Mr. M. W. Guiggan, West Street) being the lowest for Cottages, Mayoralty House and Market House, and No. 3 tender (Contractor Mr. Thos. Eustace) being the lowest for the painting of Dominick's Bridge, we recommend you to accept these tenders.

Dated 26th June, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman".

The Chairman explained that Mr. Thos. Eustace (No. 3 tender) had written to the Law & Finance Committee that he had made an error in the quotation for the painting of Dominick's Bridge, and suggested that this item be not considered.

Upon the motion of Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor W. Cann, the Report was adopted, deleting the item for the painting of Dominick's Bridge, and recommending that tenders be invited for this work.

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Gas Works Committee. Report of.

Increase in pay of Jn. O'Neill & fixing Sal. of Mgr. & Secty P. J. Fitzpatrick

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to recommend that John O'Neill, Gas Fitter be granted an increase of 15/- per week on his present wages of £3 per week, making new weekly rate of wages £3:15/-, starting on and from 26th April, 1922; that P. J. Fitzpatrick, Manager Engineer and Secretary be granted a fixed salary of £400 per year starting 1st July, 1922.

Gas. Reduction in price of.

We recommend that the price of gas be reduced from 7/6 per 1000 cubic feet to 6/8 per 1,000 cubic feet, quarter commencing 1st July, 1922; that consumers of 50,000 cubic feet per annum be allowed discount of 5%, and consumers of 100,000 cubic feet, or over, be allowed discount of 10%, consumers of under 50,000 cubic feet not to be allowed discount.

Dated 26th June, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman".

Upon the motion of Councillor W. Cabe seconded by Councillor Davis, the Report was adopted with the following amendment:-

"That the Gas Works Committee be instructed to consider and report upon question of charges for gas to Slot Meter consumers."

Housing Committee Report of.

Upon the motion of Alderman Stanley seconded by Councillor Davis, the following Report of the Housing Committee was read and adopted:-

"Gentlemen,

James Bellew re vacant site on North Rd.

We beg to report that we have held several meetings for the purpose of acquiring building sites for the proposed new Building Scheme. We have arranged with Mr. James Bellew, Killineer, to take over a vacant site on the North Road, upon which we purpose erecting 7 houses, containing living room, parlour, two bed-rooms, bath room and W.C.

Redu. of Mr. Bellew's rent in Lease 1264

In consideration of Mr. Bellew selling his interest in the site for the sum of £35, we have agreed to reduce the rent reserved in his Lease No. 1264 by £2 per annum, making his new nett rent £3..14..4, and recommend you to approve of same.

We recommend that this Committee be empowered to invite tenders for the erecting of 7 houses of the type set out above, to be built on the North Road, and to take such steps as may be necessary for the carrying out of the Scheme.

We are also in negotiation with Mr. Henry Moss for the acquiring

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acquiring of a site in Thomas Street, but the negotiations have not yet been completed. The site at Thomas Street will hold 16 houses of the living room, two bed-rooms, bath room and W.C. type.

Dated 19th June, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman".

L.G. Dept. Dail Eireann Scale of Charges Fairs & Markets Sanction to.

Letter from Local Government Department, Dail Eireann, sanctioning Scale of Charges for Fairs and Markets, was read.

Ordered, that one month's Public Notice be given of the new Scale of Charges.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, upon Tuesday, the 1st day of August, 1922, at 8 o'clock, p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen — J. E. Murphy, J. W. Donnell, J. M. Stanley.
Councillors — J. Davis, T. Wabe, R. Webster, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered — Borough Fund £879 : 15 : 6
Public Library 16 : 13 : 5.

Law & Finance Committee Report.

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have taken over possession of a coach-house and yard in Fair Street, occupied by Miss A. Greene. The lease of this property expired on the 25th March last, and we decided to retain these premises for the purpose of storing hay, etc.

Miss A. Greene Fair St. Poss'n Coach House to be taken up.

"We have had new tenders invited for the painting of Dominick's Bridge. Mr. Thomas Eustace, Dyer Street, being the only Contractor who tendered at £210, we recommend that his tender be accepted.

Tenders for Dominick's Bridge (Mr. Eustace Dyer St. Contractor)

"We have also issued tenders for the shoeing and sharpening of the horses. Three tenders were received, the lowest being that of Mr. Joseph W. Quirk at 8/- per set for shoeing and 4/- per set for sharpening; we recommend you to accept same.

Shoeing & Sharpening Horses - Jos. McQuirk Contractor.

"Miss M. A. Brogan, Bull Ring, has applied for a lease of the premises in her occupation. The lease of these premises expired on the 25th March, last, old rent £2 : 12 : 10. We recommend that Miss Brogan be granted a new lease for a term of 50 years at the yearly rent of £16. Covenants to expend the sum of at least £300 upon permanent repairs and improvements, in accordance with plans and specifications submitted.

Miss M. A. Brogan Bull Ring re Lease - Granting of.

"In accordance with the agreement entered entered into by Mr. T. Curtis to hand over possession of the premises in his occupation in Shop Street on the 30th June, last, the Borough Treasurer called

re T. Curtis's premises Shop St. Poss'n to be recovered

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called upon Mr. Curtis to take over possession, but the latter refused to hand up possession. The failure by Mr. Curtis to carry out the Building Covenants in his lease, or to hand over possession, is preventing the adjoining tenants from completing the Building Covenants in their leases. We recommend that the Law Agent be instructed to take the necessary legal steps to take over possession of Mr. Curtis' premises.

Dated 14 July, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman."

His Worship the Mayor moved and Councillor Davis seconded that the Report be adopted.

Councillor Webster moved as an amendment, Councillor J. J. Callan seconding, that the final paragraph in the Report dealing with Mr. Curtis' premises be referred back the the Law & Finance Committee.

After some discussion Councillor Webster withdrew his amendment and the Report was unanimously adopted.

Slot Meters for consumers re Charges to.

The following letter was read from the Gas Works Department:-

"Jos. Carr, Esq., Town Clerk, Drogheda.

Dear Sir,

"Your letter of the 5th inst. was duly brought before the Gas Committee at their meeting on Wednesday last, the 12 inst. At a meeting of the Gas Committee held on the 15th Feb. 1922, the Gas Committee went fully into the question of charges to Slot Meter consumers as set forth in Report to the Council dated March 2nd 1922, and have directed me to refer you to that Report, and to state that they now do not see any reason to depart from that decision.

Yours faithfully,
P. J. Fitzpatrick".

An extract from the Report of the Gas Works Committee of the 15th February last in connection with the charges to Slot Meter Consumers was also read.

No order made.

The Rate Collector's Lists of Tenaments requiring revision of Valuation were submitted and approved.

Boyne Weaving & Finishing Co. Agreement for Lease Executed.

The following were this day duly sealed and executed:-

(1) An agreement with the Boyne Weaving & Finishing Co. Ltd., for a lease of part of the lands at Greenhills containing 3rds. 23 pers. (Statute measure)

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B. R. T. Balfour/ Toonley Hall. Agreement Executed

F. & Sugden, Leeds. Agreement Executed.

(Statute measure) for a term of 11 years from 25th March, 1925. at the yearly rent of £6.

(2) An Agreement with Mr. B. R. T. Balfour, Toonley Hall, for permission to use passage situate at the rere of two dwelling houses, belonging to the Corporation, on the Marsh Road, at a rent of 1/ per annum.

(3) An agreement between Messrs. F. & Sugden of No. 10 East Parade, Leeds, England, and the Corporation, for the carrying out of certain work at the Gas Works premises for the sum of £420.

Canal Commission Dail Eireann re Inland Waterways.

Letter from Canal Commission, Dail Eireann, inviting evidence upon the utilization of the Inland Waterways for the purposes of transport, read,

It was agreed to instruct the Town Clerk to submit copies of the evidence supplied to former Commissions on the subject, and to ask the Chamber of Commerce for their views upon the question.

Letter from I. T. & G. W. Union re overtime of permanent staff at tarring of streets, was read.

No order made.

re Tenders for 7 Houses North Road

It was unanimously agreed to refer the tenders received for the erection of seven houses on the North Road to the Housing Committee for a Report.

re Sloblands Marsh Road. Dumping of Refuse on.

Alderman W Donnell drew attention to the dumping of refuse upon Sloblands upon the Marsh Road, and suggested that a man be employed in having this plot cleared.

The Town Clerk was instructed to interview the Secretary of the Harbour Board in regard to the matter.

Communication

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, upon Tuesday, the 8th August, 1922, at 8 o'clock p.m., to consider Report of Housing Committee upon the tenders received for the erection of seven houses on the North Road.

Present:

In the Chair	Alderman J. E. Murphy.
Alderman	J. W. Donnell.
Councillors	P. Carroll, T. Wade, J. J. Callan, L. J. Elcock.

The notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

Housing Committee Report re Tenders re North Rd Houses.

Report of Housing Committee read as follows:—

Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had before us the tenders received for the building of seven houses on the site at the North Road. Four tenders were submitted as follows:-

No. 1.	Mr. John Fogarty	£4984:0:0	£5.050:0:0
No. 2.	Mr. Peter W Conn	£5.484:0:0	No quotation
No. 3.	S. Hanly & Sons	£5,364:0:0	£4,800:0:0 (11" hollow concrete walls)
	Do (fencing)	276:10:0	276:10:0
No 4.	James Daly. Athboy	£600 per house	No quotation.

As No. 4 Tender had not complied with the conditions set out in the Specification, we could not consider it.

John Fogarty's Tender accepted Provisionally

We recommend you to provisionally accept Mr. John Fogarty's tender, being the lowest, for the erection of the seven houses at North Road (cavity walls) for the sum of £5.050:0:0 subject to such alterations as may be agreed upon by the Local Government Department, and Mr. Louis Turley, Architect.

We wish to point out that the L. G. Department recommend that the external walls of the houses should be erected with 9" cavity walls instead of 9" solid brick work, as the cavity walls tend to make the houses dry.

re Henry Moss & Building Site Thomas Street. Mr Freke asked Value

We have had several interviews with Mr. Henry Moss for the acquirement of a building site in Thomas Street containing about 2 ac. 0 rds. 20 per. (statute measure). In order to avoid delay in proceeding for Compulsory Powers to acquire the site we instructed Mr. Freke, Land Valuer, to make a Valuation of Mr. Moss' interest in the site, and Mr. Freke suggested the sum of £400.

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re Purchase of Mrs. Moss' interest & granting of new Lease to him

After going very fully into the question we recommend you to purchase Mr. Moss' interest in this site for the sum of £400 and to grant him a new Lease of the House, Outoffices, Stonecutters Yard and two small weekly tenaments for a term of 50 years at a rent of £2:10/- per annum. Mr. Moss presently holds under a sub-Lease from the Misses Fogarty.

Misses Fogarty re Surrender of Lease & granting of New Lease

In order of obtain clear possession of the plot it will be necessary to take a surrender of the Lease from the Misses Fogarty, and grant them a new Lease of the premises in their possession on the Ghord Road. We would suggest that the matter of the taking of the surrender of Misses Fogarty's Lease and the arranging of terms for a new Lease be left in the hands of the Law & Finance Committee.

It is proposed at present to erect 16 two-storied houses, containing living room, two bed rooms and cubicle, scullery, W.C. and space for bath room, on the site in Thomas Street. Provision is also made for the building of a further 16 houses on this site facing Sandyford's Alley. The plans, etc., for the building of these houses have been approved by the Local Government Department.

Tenders to be invited for erection of 16 Houses

We would therefore recommend that tenders be at once invited for the erection of 16 houses on the Thomas Street site.

Dated 1st August, 1922. P. Omuineacain, Chairman."

The following letter was read from Mr. John Fogarty, Contractor:-

"Dear Sir,

John Fogarty Contractor. List of proposed Reductions

In accordance with my interview to-day with yourself and Mr. Bart with Dr. Cowan I give you detailed list of the proposed reductions which I have verified from my quantities viz:

Centre gable to front	£10 : 0 : 0
7 Cotpers in scullery & fittings	52 : 10 : 0
End concrete wall at rere	2 : 10 : 0
Vent tubes at rere to drains	2 : 10 : 0
7 Concrete hearths in parlours in lieu of tiled hearths	3 : 10 : 0
28 ventilators & ducts to 1st floor	7 : 0 : 0
Gravelled paths in lieu of concrete to front doors	10 : 10 : 0
50 yds. fencing to front reduced by 4/- per yd. p.c.	10 : 0 : 0
32 yds. divisions by 2/- per yard	3 : 4 : 0
7 gates from £4 to £2 : 10/-	10 : 10 : 0
Stone sills & concrete base to front railing	25 : 0 : 0
	£137 : 4 : 0

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Forward	£137 : 4 : 0
360 yds. fencing to rere reduced by 2/- per yd. p.c.	36 : 0 : 0
	173 : 4 : 0
Add 7 small cupboards in sculleries @ £1 each	7 : 0 : 0
Total.	166 : 4 : 0

Contract	£5,050 : 0 : 0
Less	166 : 0 : 0
	£4,884 : 0 : 0

John Fogarty Tender accepted

Councillor M. Cabe proposed and Councillor J.J. Ballon seconded:-

"That the Report of the Housing Committee be adopted, and that Mr. John Fogarty's tender be accepted subject to such alterations as may be subsequently agreed upon between the Housing Department of the Local Government Board, the Corporation and the Contractor".

Remuneration

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Thursday, 24th August, 1922 at 8 o'clock, p. m.

re late General Collins

To tender to the Irish Government, and to the Family of the late General Collins, the sympathy of the Borough, and to appoint Representatives to attend the Funeral

Present:

In the Chair — Alderman J. E. Murphy.
Aldermen — J. McDonnell, B. E. Allen.
Councillors — P. Carroll, F. Bateson, J. Davis, R. Webster, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Callan, T. V. McQuillan, T. McCabe.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

The following letter was read:

To Town Clerk, Drogheda Corporation.

Dear Sir,

As a former member of the Corporation of Drogheda may I be allowed to join in the expression of sympathy to the Irish Government, and to the Family of the late General Collins on the occasion of his death while fighting with great bravery to carry out the expressed will of the Irish People.

I am, Sir, Yours faithfully,
J. Cecil Thornhill.

Upon the motion of Alderman J. E. Murphy, seconded by Councillor J. Davis, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted:-

re late President A. Griffith Resolution of Sympathy

"That we respectfully tender to the Irish Government, and to the Widow and Family of the late President Griffith, this expression of our intense sorrow at his untimely death, and that we place on record our appreciation of his stupendous work for Ireland"

General Michael Collins. Resolution of Sympathy

"That we respectfully tender to the Irish Government, and to the relatives of the late General Michael Collins, this expression of our intense sorrow at his tragic death, and that we place on record our appreciation of the fact that he lived and died for Ireland."

It was

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It was unanimously agreed that the Mayor and Corporation should attend the Funeral of the late General Collins, in Dublin, on Monday, 28th inst.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, upon Tuesday, 5th September, 1922 at 8 o'clock, p. m.

Present:-

In the chair — His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen — J. E. Murphy, B. E. Allen.
Councillors — P. Carroll, P. W Cann, J. Davis, L J Elcock, T. W Cabe, J. J. Callan.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last Meetings were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

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Lawt Finance Committee Report V

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Allen, the following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was adopted

Gentlemen,

We append herewith copy of communication received from the ~~South~~ County ~~Co.~~ Louth Unpurchased Tenants' Association. Having carefully considered the question we recommend you to take no action in the matter.

Lease to Miss M. W Enteggart Dublin Road

We recommend you to grant a lease to Miss M. W Enteggart of premises, Dublin Road, for a term of 31 years from 25th March last at the yearly rent of £20; the former rent was £4 .. 16 .. 4.

R Crimmins to P. Mallin Assignment. Assent to.

Mary C. Gogarty to Mary Kate Josephine, Margt & Agnes Gogarty Assignment. Assent to.

We recommend you to assent to the following Assignments:-
(1) From Robert Crimmins to Mr. Patrick Mallin, of licensed premises in Shop Street, Lease No. 1352.
(2) From Mrs. Margaret Gogarty, West Street, to her daughters, Mary Kate, Josephine, Margaret and Agnes Gogarty of premises in Peter Street, Barrack Street and George's Street Leases Nos. 1250, 1294, and 1308 respectively.

To Common Asst Town Clerk - Resignation of. Appointment of Eustace O'Connor as Asst Town Clerk

Mr. T. O'Connor has tendered his resignation as Assistant Town Clerk, having decided to continue to serve in the National Army. We recommend you to accept his resignation, and to appoint Mr. Eustace O'Connor as Assistant Town Clerk at the same salary viz £131-16/- per annum. During the time Mr. T. O'Connor had been interned Mr. Eustace O'Connor acted in his place, so that he is

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thoroughly conversant with the work in the Office.

Dated 4th August, 1922. S. E. O'Murchadha, Chairman".

Association of Louth Unpurchased Tenants

Copy of letter received from the County Louth Unpurchased Tenants Association:-

"Dear Sir,

The Above Association have had under consideration the necessity for the early completion of the Irish Land Purchase, and in consideration of the excessive amounts already paid by Tenants on unpurchased holdings, together with the abnormal rise in local rates and other taxation, have decided, pending the passing of a Land Purchase Act, to demand a reduction in Rents as a measure of temporary relief.

Rents are being withheld pending the arrival at a scale of reductions on a fair and equitable basis. With a view to an understanding on those lines it is suggested that a Conference, composed of Representatives of the Landlords of all unsold Estates in County Louth, together with the Standing Committee of the Louth Unpurchased Tenants Association, be arranged. Accordingly, I am instructed to invite the attendance of a Representative of the Landlord of the Drogheda Corporation Estate at a joint Conference to be held in the Central Hall, Earl Street, Dundalk, on Monday, 28th August, 1922, at 11 a. m., to discuss the matter.

Yours faithfully,
M. Mullen, Secretary"

Gas Works Committee Report of. Tenders for Painting

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

We beg to report that in response to Advertisements in Local Newspapers we received three Tenders for painting work at Gas Works, and Lamp Columns and Brackets in the Town as follows:-

No. 1 Tender		£91 : 10 : 0
No. 2 "		83 : 5 : 0
No. 3 "		146 : 0 : 0

W. & J. Hughes accepted

We recommend acceptance of No. 2 Tender sent in by Messrs. W. & J. Hughes, Painting Contractors, 16. Mary Street, Drogheda, it being the lowest Tender.

Dated 11th August, 1922. S. E. O'Murchadha, Chairman.

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor P Carroll, the Report was unanimously adopted.

An Agreement

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1922 Agreement with Robt Dempster & Sons' Yorks
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An Agreement in duplicate with Robert Dempster & Sons, Ltd., of Rosemount Iron Works, Eland, Yorks. for the completion of certain works at the Gas Works Department was this day executed.

Resolution from Waterford County Council protesting against the War being waged without the sanction of Dail Eireann, read. No order made.

Upon his application the Town Clerk was granted his Annual Holidays.

The following letter was read and ordered to be inserted in the Minutes:-

122 St. Laurence Road,
Clontarf, Dublin.
August 21st, 1922.

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Condolence Letter of thanks from Mrs. Griffith

On behalf of myself and family I beg you to accept my very best thanks for your kind message of sympathy on the death of my husband.

Mise, le meas,
Maud Griffith

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday, 19th September, 1922, at 8 o'clock p.m., to consider Report of Housing Committee in reference to Tenders for 16 houses at Thomas Street, and other matters in connection with the present Housing Scheme.

Present:

In the Chair. His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen B. E. Allen, J. Stanley.
Councillors P. Carroll, T. Bateson, P. W. Cann, R. Webster, L. J. Elcock, T. W. Cabe, J. J. Callan.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

Housing Committee Report of Tenders for Thomas St. Houses

The following Report of the Housing Committee was read:- "Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have received two tenders for the building of 16 two-storied houses (non-parlour type) in Thomas Street as follows:-

	9" solid brick	11" cavity walls.
No. 1. Messrs. S. Henly & Sons	£9,894 : 0 : 0	£10,060 : 0 : 0
No. 2. Mr. John Gogarty	No quotation	£10,306 : 0 : 0

Messrs. Henly & Son accepted.

That of Messrs. Henly & Sons being the lowest at £10,060 : 0 : 0 we recommend you to accept same. The acceptance of the tender is, of course, subject to the approval of the Local Government Department.

re Surrender of Misses Fogarty's Lease, and Henry Moss' Sub. Lease.

In order to enter into immediate possession of the site in Thomas Street it was necessary to arrange to take a surrender of the Misses Fogarty's Lease. The Misses Fogarty hold the premises in Thomas Street and Sandyford Alley on a Lease for a term of 80 years from March, 1857 at a rent of £50 : 0 : 2 per annum, which Lease will not expire until March, 1937. Mr. Henry Moss holds a Sub-Lease from the Misses Fogarty of the house, two small cottages and the plot of ground, upon which it is now proposed to build, for a term of 28 years from 1st May, 1908, at the yearly rent of £20. The Misses Fogarty are prepared to surrender their Lease and to take a surrender of Mr. Moss' Lease provided the Corporation grant them a new Lease of 9 houses on the Chord Road, known as "Culver Row", for a term of 50 years at the yearly rent of £30, and we recommend you to agree ~~to agree~~ to this proposal. If you agree to the terms set out above building operations can be started immediately on the

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Tender for North Rd. Site. increase of.

on the Thomas Street site.

With regard to the tender for the North Road site, a further consultation was held with the Local Government Department in reference to the alterations proposed, and the Department have now agreed to allow the following items to stand as in the original plans.

Centre Gable to front	£10 : 0 : 0
7 tiled hearths in parlour instead of concrete	3 : 10 : 0

The sum of £13 : 10/- must, therefore, be added to Mr. Gogarty's tender of £4,884 making his total tender for the North Road houses £4,897 : 10/-.

Appended is a copy of a letter from the Housing Department in reference to the sanctioning of the borrowing of a loan of £3,978 from the Bank of Ireland for the Housing Scheme. We recommend you to apply to the Bank for this amount. An application will, however, be made later on for the sanctioning of a greater loan than £3978, as well as an increase in the grant, but having regard to present circumstances we think it more advisable to recommend you to accept the present loan and grant.

Architect Mr. L. Turley's fees fixed.

We have arranged with Mr. L. Turley, Architect, to fix his fees at 4 per cent on the cost of the building i.e. the amount of the tenders received, and Mr. Turley has agreed to superintend the work of construction.

North Road Building Site.

In reference to the building site on the North Road on which it was proposed to demolish two thatched cottages in order to build seven new houses thereon, the two occupying tenants, Mr. Madden and Mr. Guilfoyle, have definitely refused to vacate the houses. Both of these parties were offered alternative accommodation of three rooms each over Mr. Garvey's house in Peter Street, but notwithstanding this, they declined to move. The position at the moment is that the Contractor cannot proceed with the building scheme on the North Road unless possession is taken of the two houses, and your Committee therefore await your instructions in the matter.

Drogheda Workers Council & direct Labour.

We have also had under consideration the Resolution from the Drogheda Workers' Council in reference to the carrying out of the present Housing Scheme by direct labour. We cannot see our way to recommend you to carry out a Building Scheme of the kind by direct labour, which would involve the purchase of a large amount of plant and other materials, and besides it might be found difficult to obtain

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obtain the services of tradesmen and builders' labourers who are usually employed by Contractors. The Committee would, however, welcome tenders from Building Guilds who would compete with other Contractors, but we think it would be uneconomic for the Corporation to undertake a Building Scheme like the present by direct labour.

Dated 12th September, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman."

Copy of letter from Housing Department, Ministry of Local Government, Irish Provisional Government.

A Dune Uaraid,

To Housing Scheme Thomas St. Sanction of L.G. Dept. to loan £3,978.

With reference to your letter of the 25th instant, relative to the Housing Scheme of the Drogheda Corporation, I desire to state that I have approved of the arrangements made for the acquisition of the Thomas Street site and of the appropriation of the site, which is corporate property, for housing purposes.

I have also sanctioned the borrowing by the Corporation of a loan of £3,978 under section 237 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts, 1890 to 1921, and the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Act, 1921, the loan to be obtained on the annuity system at 4½ per cent interest.

The loan of £3,978 is sanctioned on the understanding that a sum equal to one third of that amount is applied out of the rates towards the cost of the scheme, apart from the sum required to meet loan charges. On the basis of an expenditure on new construction of £5,304 between Rate and Loan, the Government Grant will be £10,608, making in all a sum of £15,912 available for the provision of new houses in the town. The question of sanctioning a greater loan than £3,978 involving an increase in the Grant will be dealt with on the application of the Corporation, when it appears what further grant can be made to Local Authorities in respect of such surplus as may become available through the nonparticipation of some Authorities in the General Scheme.

The enclosed signed duplicate should be transmitted by you to the Bank.

Mise le meas agat.

L. T. MacCosgair, Minister for Local Government"

On the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Allen, the Report was adopted.

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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, upon Tuesday, 3rd October, 1922 at 8 o'clock P.M.

Present:-

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor

Councillors — P. Carroll, P. W. Cann, T. W. Cabe, J. J. Callan, J. Davis, R. Murdock.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

Mins. - Wages - Payments.

The Minutes of the last Meetings were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments ordered — Borough Fund £1,118.:19:7

Public Library 6:10:8

Law & Finance Committee. Report of.

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor W. Cabe the following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was adopted:-

"Gentlemen,

Mayoralty House Hire of for Bazaars &c.

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the question of the charges for the hire of Mayoralty House for Bazaars etc., and we recommend that a reduction of 25 per cent be made to persons hiring all the rooms for three successive days or over.

Mrs. E. Supple & Fair St. Termination of Tenancy

Mrs. E. Supple has served notice to terminate the tenancy of a house in Fair Street on the 30th September, inst. Having considered the matter very fully, we recommend you to sell the house in fee simple, together with the adjoining shed and stable, by Public Auction.

Dated 18th September, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman."

Gas Works Committee Report of

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Murdock:-

"Gentlemen,

re Gas Lamps. Light of Same.

We beg to report that in addition to the six all-night lamps which are being lighted all the year round, there are now 67 half-night lamps lighted. We have ordered new clock controllers for extra lamps which may be required for the better lighting of the town, and lamps are being got ready.

The two Gasholders on Works were punctured by rifle bullets on the

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on the nights of September 4th and 8th. There were five holes, causing a loss of 17,000 cubic feet of Gas approximately.

The Audit of the Gas Department Accounts is in progress.

The Contract work on the Purifiers and Retorts is being carried out.

Dated 20th September, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman."

A Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department since date of his last Report was read and adopted.

L.G. Housing Dept. Messrs. Henly & Sons re Thomas St. Houses Sanctioned

Letter read from Ministry of Local Government, Housing Department, sanctioning the tender of Messrs. Henly & Sons, for the erection of 16 houses at Thomas Street for the sum of £10,060.

re Loan £3,978 Bank of Ireland agreeable to loan.

Letter read from Agent, Bank of Ireland, Drogheda, agreeing to a loan of £3,978 for Housing Scheme at 4½% interest repayment of Principal and Interest to be made by way of annuity within a period of 15 years by equal half yearly instalments

Messrs Henly's Contract Bond

Letter from Messrs. S. Henly & Sons, Contractors, intimating that they were having Contract Bond prepared and would start work within the coming week, read.

re Henry Moss. J.M. Reilly Sol.

Letter from J. M. Reilly, Solicitor, intimating that his client, Mr Henry Moss was willing to allow the Corporation to enter into immediate possession of the site in Thomas Street, for the carrying out of the Housing Scheme, read.

The Council expressed approval of the above communications in connection with the Housing Scheme.

Letter read from Secretary, Irish Provisional Government, forwarding a draft for £108.7.10 in respect of grants witheld from Local Authorities.

Condolence - Paid M. Collins - Vote of Sympathy acknowledged.

Letter from Irish Provisional Government acknowledging the Council's Vote of Sympathy upon the death of Michael Collins, Commander-in-Chief of the National Army.

P. O'Muineacain

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday, 17th October, 1922, at 8 o'clock p.m. –

"To consider Report of Housing Committee upon alternative site for building of seven houses at Thomas Street instead of site at North Road".

Present:-

In the Chair	His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen	J. W. Donnell, B. E. Allen.
Councillors	P. Carroll, R. Webster, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Callan, R. Murdock.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read:

Housing Committee. Report of.

The following Report of the Housing Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

re North Rd. Site. Alternative site for building 7 Houses Selected in Thomas St.

We have had under consideration the question of providing an alternative site for the building of seven five-roomed houses which were originally intended to be built upon a site at North Road. As the two weekly tenants upon the North Road site have refused to give up possession, and in order to commence the work as quickly as possible, we considered that some other site should be selected. Having carefully gone into the matter we selected a site upon the field at Thomas Street facing Sandyford Alley. Mr. J. Gogarty, Contractor, is willing to build the seven houses upon this site without any alteration in the price of his tender, and to commence building operations immediately.

L.G. Dept. Sanction of

The sanction of the Local Government Department has also been obtained to the building of the seven houses upon the Thomas Street site instead of the North Road.

We therefore recommend you to agree to the proposed change.

Dated 9th October, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman."

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman B. E. Allen, the Report was unanimously adopted.

Letter read from Secretary Housing Dept. sanctioning the erection of seven houses on site in Thomas Street instead of site at North Road.

Letter from J. Gogarty, Contractor, intimating his willingness to carry out building of seven houses in Thomas Street in lieu of site on North Road, read.

P. O'Muineacain

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, on Tuesday, the 7th November, 1922, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair	His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen	B. E. Allen, J. E. Murphy, J. W. Donnell,
Councillors	J. Davis, R. Murdock, P. W. Cann, L. J. Elcock, R. Webster, J. J. Callan, P. Carroll, T. W. Cabe, P. W. Namara.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. Wages. Payments.

The Minutes of the last Meetings were read and confirmed.

Wages sheet examined and passed.

Monthly Payments Borough Fund. £1,453 : 6 : 4.
Public Library 29 : 7 : 6.

Law & Finance Committee. Report of.

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was unanimously adopted upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Davis:-

"Gentlemen,

McGees & Abbey Motor Service. re erection of Kerbside Petrol Pumps. Sanction given.

Messrs. McGees and the Abbey Motor Service Co. have applied for permission to erect Kerbside Petrol Pumps on the footpaths in front of their respective premises in West Street. We recommend you to agree to the proposal and to charge a way-leave rent of 1/- per annum.

Inglis to Quinn assent to assignment of Lease March Rd. Prem.

We recommend you to agree to an Assignment from John A. Inglis to William G. Quinn of premises, Marsh Road, Lease No. 1407.

P. Weldon. re applon for increase in Salary. Granted.

We had before us an application from Mr. P. Weldon for an increase in his salary. Having regard to the efficient manner in which Mr. Weldon discharges his duties we recommend you to increase his commission on the collection of weekly rents from 2½% to 5%.

Joseph Dwyer Bull Ring. re Consent to altering frontage line in James Street. Granted

Mr. Joseph Dwyer, Bull Ring, applied for consent to altering the frontage line of the old buildings in James Street, to a line with his licensed premises, and submitted plan of alteration to existing frontage, together with plan of new building proposed to be erected. We recommend you to agree to his application.

Dated 16th October, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman.

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read and unanimously

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Gas Works Committee. Report of. Gas. Reduction in price of.

unanimously adopted upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Murdock:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to make the following recommendations:-

That the price of Gas to Slot Meter consumers commencing present quarter be at the rate of 7/1 per 1,000 c. ft. instead of 7/6 per 1,000 cubic feet.

That the ~~rates~~ rents of ordinary Meters from 1st October, 1922, be at the following reduced rates:-

3 light	1/6 per qtr.	Former rate	2/- per qtr.
5 "	1/9 " "	" "	2/6 " "
10 "	2/3 " "	" "	3/- " "
20 "	3/- " "	" "	3/9 " "
30 "	3/6 " "	" "	4/6 " "
50 "	6/6 " "	" "	8/6 " "

Cookers. Rents of reduced.

That the rents of ordinary Cookers be at a reduced rate of 1/6 per quarter from 1st October, 1922.

Tenders. Messrs. Watson Contractor, & R. Dempster & Sons, Eland accepted.

That the tender of Mr. T. Watson, Contractor, Dyer Street, for repairs etc. to roof of lower office at Gas Works, for £44:5/- nett, and the tender of R. Dempster & Sons Ltd., Eland, for overhead lifting gear for large Purifier for £38 nett, be accepted as the lowest tenders.

On the 14th October last at about 1 a.m. Nos. 1 and 2 Gasholders were again punctured by bullets during a raid causing an approximate loss of 40,000 cubic feet of Gas.

There are at present lighted 80 half night lamps in addition to 6 all-night lamps. More would be lighted, but we are waiting on Clock Controllers delayed in transit.

We have decided to adhere to our decision of last December that all coal sold to other Departments be sold at a profit of 5/- per ton to Gas Department.

We have to complain of the abnormal breakage of Gas Lamps by stones causing a good deal of extra cost to the Gas Department for ~~re~~ renewals of glass, nutts, etc.

Dated 1st November, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman."

Boro' Surveyor. Report.

A report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

No order made.

Pursuant to

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Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor W. Cabe moved:-

"That the Gas Works Committee be instructed to erect lamps at the following places, viz. one lamp above the Brewery Mell; one lamp at Patrick Street, east side; one lamp midway Wellington Quay."

Alderman J. E. Murphy seconded.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed to refer the matter to the Gas Works Committee.

Re Loan of £3978 Bank of Ireland. Loan approved. Mortgage to Bank for same Sealed and Signed.

Upon the motion of Alderman B. E. Allen seconded by Councillor Davis it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the Corporation of Drogheda do borrow the sum of £3,978 from the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland on the security of the rates and that the draft mortgage for securing said sum and interest at 4½% prepared by the Bank's Solicitor be and the same is hereby approved of and further that the seal of the Corporation be and it is hereby directed to be affixed to the engrossment of the said mortgage and that the same be also signed on behalf of the Council by the Mayor, an Alderman and two Councillors."

Loan to be applied for by instalments as occasion Require.

The Corporate Seal having been affixed and the Deed of Mortgage duly executed Alderman Allen moved and Councillor Davis seconded:-

"That inasmuch as this Council does not immediately require from the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland the total amount of the sum mentioned in the Deed of Mortgage to them this day executed by this Council but prefer to receive the same by instalments as occasion may require it is resolved:

That the requisition for each advance shall be intimated to the said Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland by the Chairman of this Council for the time being, countersigned by the Town Clerk and that each such requisition shall be forwarded to the Agent of said Bank of Ireland and that such advance shall be lodged to our account as Corporation of Drogheda Artisans Dwellings Loan Account in the Drogheda Branch Bank of Ireland."

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

Lease Sealed to Joseph W. Moore Chord Road.

The following Leases were this day sealed unto:-

(1) Joseph W. Moore, Chord Road, of three dwelling houses situate on the south side of the Chord Road, for a term of 31 years from the 25th

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25th March, 1922, at the yearly rent of £30; Covenant to insure in the sum of £900.

7th Lease Sealed to Daniel Branigan Magdalene St.

(2). Daniel Branigan, Magdalene Street, of dwelling house shop and premises on the west side of Magdalene Street, for a term of 31 years from 25th March, 1922 at the yearly rent of £20, Covenants to expend the sum of £250 upon repairs and alterations as set out in plan and specification submitted and to insure in the sum of £1,000.

Lease Sealed to Mrs. Elizth. G. May prems Laurence St.

(3) Mrs. Elizabeth G. May, Fair Street, of dwelling house shop and premises situate on the south side of Laurence Street, for a term of 31 years from 25th March, 1922, at the yearly rent of £30: Covenants to expend the sum of £65 upon repairs and to insure in the sum of £1,000.

Lease Sealed to Miss Mary Mc Enteggart Dublin Road

(4) Miss Mary Mc Enteggart, Dublin Road, of dwelling house and premises situate on the south side of the Dublin Road, for a term of 31 years from 25th March, 1922, at the yearly rent of £20, Covenant to insure in the sum of £400.

Lease Sealed to Guardians Drogheda Union of "The Dispensary" John St.

(5) Guardians of the Poor of Drogheda Union of dwelling house and premises known as "The Dispensary" premises situate on the north side of John Street, for a term of 31 years from 25th March, 1922 at the yearly rent of £8. Covenant to insure in the sum of £600.

Lease Sealed to Co. Louth prems Fish Market

(6) The County Council of the County of Louth of house and premises situate on the west side of the Fish Market, for a term of 31 years from 25th March, 1922, at the yearly rent of £2. Covenant to insure in the sum of £200.

Agreement with John Fogarty, and S. Healy & Sons Contractors Executed.

An Agreement with general conditions of contract for the erection of seven houses at Thomas Street by John Fogarty for the sum of £4,894 " 10/- was this day executed, and a similar Agreement with general conditions of contract for the erection of 16 two storied dwellings in Thomas Street by Messrs. S. Healy & Sons, for the sum of £10,060 was this day executed.

re L.G. Board (Irel.) Scheme for Sailors & Soldiers

A Notice of a scheme made by the Local Government Board for Ireland under the Irish Land (Provision for Sailors & Soldiers) Act, 1919, for the acquirement of a field on the Dublin Road known as "The Workhouse Field" containing 5 acres and 34 pers., statute measure, for the building of 20 houses, was read.

Councillor J. Davis moved and Councillor R. Webster seconded:-

"That the council of the Corporation of Drogheda hereby approve of the acquisition by the Local Government Board for Ireland of the field known as "The Workhouse Field" Dublin Road for the purpose of a Building Scheme under the Irish Land (Provision for Sailors & Soldiers) Act, 1919 the terms

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terms of sale to be arranged by the Law & Finance Committee.

re Taxation of Solicitors Bills of Cost.

Circular letter No. 41/28 read from Ministry of Local Government intimating that Circular No. 64 relative to the taxing of Bills of Costs is to be regarded as withdrawn and that in future Costs due to Solicitors should be taxed by the taxing Officer of the High Courts unless for any special reason it is desired to dispense with such certificate, the Bill of Costs should be forwarded to the Ministry of Local Government for their sanction to the payment.

No order made.

Condolence vote of with Town Clerk.

His Worship the Mayor proposed and Alderman B. E. Allen seconded a Vote of Condolence with the Town Clerk upon the death of his Mother.

The Town Clerk returned thanks to the Council for their kind expression of sympathy with him.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, upon Tuesday, the 5th December, 1922, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present.

In the Chair. His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen J. McDonnell, J. E. Murphy.
Councillors P. Carroll, L. J. Elcock, T. McCabe, R. Webster, J. J. Callan, T. V. McQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Monthly Payments. Borough Fund £1,283 : 12 : 5
Public Library 9 : 19 : 9.

Law & Finance Committee Report of. The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

Reid to Connolly Bros. Assent to assignment. We beg to report that we have agreed to accede to an Assignment from Mr. Thomas Reid to Messrs. James and Michael Connolly of ~~[illegible]~~ premises, Peter Street, Lease No. 1292.

We recommend you to pass for payment the amount due to the Board of Works on foot of Loans to 1st November, 1922.

Tenders for Painting Town Clerk's & Boro. Surveyor's offices & Committee Room. We have invited tenders for the painting and papering of the Town Clerk's Office, Borough Surveyors Office and Committee Room and received the following:-

No 1.	£27 : 0 : 0
No 2	17 : 10 : 0
No 3	24 : 17 : 0
No. 4	20 : 10 : 0
No 5	21 : 0 : 0

No. 2 Contractor Joseph Murray accepted. No. 2 tender, Contractor Joseph Murray, James Street being the lowest, we recommend you to accept same.

A. Davis & Co. Ltd. We have accepted a quotation by A. Davis & Co. Ltd., for the covering of the Town Clerk's and Borough Surveyor's Offices with Cork Carpet at 5/11 per sq. yd.

Elams Duplicator Co. Ltd. We have also accepted a quotation of Elams Duplicator Co., Ltd., for a new Rotary Duplicator at £20.

Dated 20th November, 1922. P. O'Muineacain Chairman."

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On the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman J. McDonnell the Report was unanimously adopted.

Gas Works Committee Report of. The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor T. McCabe:-

Gentlemen,

Lighting of Extra Lamps. We beg to report that we have duly considered the Notice of motion by Councillor McCabe as referred to this Committee and have fitted and lighted the following extra lamps:- 1 near McEvoy's stores, Mell; 1 at Church of Ease, Mell; 1 at Rope Walk, off Magdalene Street; 1 at Steps The Dale; 1 in Duke Street; 1 at Court House; 1 in Trinity Street; 1 in William Street and 2 in Scarlet Street making a total of 90 half night and six all night lamps now lighted, independent of eighteen lighted by Harbour Commissioners.

Messrs. Sugden & Dempster & Sons Contracts Completed. The Contract works by Messrs. Sugden & Co., Ltd., for Retorts and Messrs Dempster & Sons, Ltd., Elland, for Purifiers have been completed satisfactorily.

Auditors Report. We have received the Auditor's Report and Abstract of Accounts for this Department. We invited tenders for the printing of 50 copies from the local Printing Firms and received the following quotations:-

Tenders for Printing of Drogheda Argus accepted.

No 1. Drogheda Independent Co., Ltd.	£9 : 5 : 0
No 2. The Drogheda Argus	£6 : 17 : 0

We recommend you to accept No. 2 tender.

Dated 1st December, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman".

The Report of the Auditor upon the Accounts of the Gas Works Department, together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st March, 1922, was submitted.

His Worship the Mayor gave a review of the Accounts and working of the Gas Works Department during the past year.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Murphy.

Memorials (2) to L.G. Dept. Sanction to Sales to Rep. Church Body Ireland & of Mrs Supple's House Fair St. Executed. Two Memorials to the Local Government Department praying for sanction to the sale to the Representative Body of the Church of Ireland of premises known as "The Sunday School House", Magdalene Street, and to sale by Public Auction of Mrs. Supple's House, Fair Street, were this day executed.

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1922 Rate Collector's Arrears & Irrecoverable Lists approved
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The Rate Collector's Lists of Arrears and Irrecoverable Rates amounting to £350:6:4 and £34:19:0 respectively for the half year ending 30th September, 1922, were submitted and approved.

Resolutions from New Ross & Dungarvan R.D.Cs re Truce

Resolutions from New Ross R.D.C. calling on the Leaders of the waring parties to meet and arrange a Truce, and from Dungarven R.D.C. suggesting the appointment of Delegates from Public Bodies to act as a Central Body between the Provisional Government and I.R.A. Leaders with a view to calling a Truce, were read.

Ordered that both Resolutions be marked "Read".

Local Govt. Elections re deferring holding of.

Letter No. 273/4 read from Ministry of Local Government intimating that it was intended at an early date to introduce legislation to defer the holding of Local Government Elections.

Circular Letter from Ministry of Local Government enclosing copy of order transferring to the Ministry of Local Government the duties formerly discharged by the Road Section of the Ministry of Transport, read.

Circular Letter from Ministry of Local Government dealing with Malicious Injury Claims, read.

No order made.

re Unemployment. applcn. to fact to be made.

The Council recommended that application be made to the Government for a grant to relieve unemployment in the District.

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1923. January, 2nd.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda, held in the Assembly Room, Court House, upon Tuesday, the 2nd January, 1923, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Present:-

In the Chair His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman J. E. Murphy.
Councillors. P. Carroll, R. Webster, D. Reddan, T. McCabe. L. J. Elcock, T. V. McQuillan, J. J. Callan, T. Bateson. P. McCann.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Monthly Payments. Borough Fund £1,127:16:6
Public Library 5:10:8

Boro' Treasurers death. Town Clerk authorized to sign Paying orders & issue Cheques

Having regard to the death of the Borough Treasurer, the late Mr. P. P. Keeley, the following resolution was unanimously passed on the motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Councillor R. Webster:-

"That the Town Clerk be and is hereby authorized to sign the Borough Fund and Public Library Paying Orders and to issue the Cheques on the Wages Account in the Bank of Ireland".

Law & Finance Committee Report of. Lease of two Houses West St. to A. J. McQuillan

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have now arranged to grant Mr. A. J. McQuillan a Lease of two houses in West Street in his occupation for a term of 75 years from 25th March last at the yearly rent of £20. Covenant to expend the sum of at least £1,800 in accordance with plans and specifications submitted, the work to be completed within a period of two years, failing which a penal rent of £60 per annum to be imposed.

re Messrs. McQuillan & Frank Clinton

In connection with this matter considerable negotiations have taken place with Mr. McQuillan and Mr. F. Clinton. We appointed a Sub-Committee to interview the parties concerned. The Sub-Committee went very fully into the facts and recommended that Mr. McQuillan be granted the Lease of both houses and pay Mr. Clinton a sum of £300 as compensation, and Mr. Clinton agreed to accept these terms.

Mr. F. Curtis, Shop Street, has made application to us for a new

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re Tank Curtis Shop St. application for new lease recommended to be granted

Lease of the premises in his occupation in Shop Street, and submitted a Builders Estimate to expend a sum of £560 upon repairs. We therefore recommend that he be granted a new Lease for a term of 30 years from 25th March next, at the yearly rent of £10, Covenant to expend a sum of £560 upon repairs as specified, the work to be commenced not later than March, 1923, and to be completed within a period of eighteen months

Miss M.K. Longford Road. Lease recommended to be granted.

We have received an application from Miss M. K. Long for a Lease of two houses on the Ghord Road, the Lease of which expired on the 29th September last. The sub tenant, Mr. R. O'Reilly, also made application for a Lease of the house in his occupation. We recommend you to grant Miss Long a Lease of both houses for a term of 31 years from 29th September last at the yearly rent of £12 : 10/-, Covenant to expend a sum of £160 upon repairs to both houses, a penal rent of £25 per annum to be imposed if the work is not carried out within a period of twelve months.

John Loughran Hardmans Garden Lease to be granted him.

We recommend you to grant a Lease to Mr. John Loughran of a dwelling house and garden at Hardmans Garden, for a term of 31 years from 29th September last at the yearly rent of £3 upon the condition that the house be kept in proper repair

Assignment P. Mallin to Ed. J. McDonnell Shop St. assented to

We recommend you to assent to an Assignment from Mr. P. Mallin to Mr. Edward J. Mc Donnell of licensed premises in Shop Street, Lease No. 1352.

P. Murphy Ltd. applied to erect Kerbside Petrol Pumps at West St. premises granted.

Messrs. P. Murphy, Ltd. have applied for permission to erect a Kerbside Petrol Pump on the footpath outside their premises in West Street. We recommend you to agree to the proposal and to charge a way-leave rent of 1/- per annum.

Tender Jas Berrill Laurence St. Supply of Horse Feeding Accepted.

Mr. James Berrill, Laurence Street, being the only one to tender for the supply of Horse Feeding we recommend you to accept his tender, price being as follows :- Best White Oats, 12/- per cwt. Best Crushed Oats, 12/6 per cwt., Best White Bran, 12/6 per cwt.

Dated 4th December, 1922. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor proposed and Councillor R. Webster seconded that the Report be adopted.

Councillor Mc Cabe proposed as an amendment Councillor Elcock seconding :- "That the paragraph in the Report of the Law & Finance Committee dealing with the Lease to Miss M. K. Long be deleted and referred back to the Finance Committee for further consideration

On a division there voted.

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For the Amendment.	Against the Amendment
Councillors Elcock, Callan	His Worship the Mayor,
and Mr Cabe (3)	Alderman J. E. Murphy.
	Councillors :- Keegan, Mc Cann, P. Carroll
	Webster, Mr Quillan, Bateson (8)

The Amendment was declared lost by 8 votes to 3.

The original motion for the adoption of the Report was then put and declared carried.

Members of Council absent for last 6 months.

Pursuant to Notice of motion Councillor Mr Cabe moved :- "That the Town Clerk be instructed to furnish to the Council at the next monthly meeting the names of Members of the Council continuously absent from meetings during the past six months for the purpose of having their seats declared vacant."

Councillor Mc Cann having seconded, the Resolution was put and declared carried unanimously.

A Circular letter from the Ministry of Local Government setting forth the main features of the Local Elections Postponement Bill, was read.

No order made.

Resolution from the County Borough of Waterford urging upon the Government the desirability of giving Local Authorities some voice in the control of the Civic Guard in their areas, read.

Ordered to mark the communication "Read".

Peoples Peace League.

Communications from the People's Peace League re the establishment of Branches of the League; copy of Resolutions from Cork Harbour Commissioners Cork R. D. C. and Wexford Corporation calling for steps to be taken to arrange Peace; and Resolution from Representatives of Wexford Sinn Fein Executive, Farmers' Union and I. T. & G. W. Union requesting Public Bodies to appoint Delegates to attend a Peace Conference in Dublin, were read.

It was agreed to to mark the communications as "Read".

Condolence. Vote of with Relatives of late Boro. Treasurer

His Worship the Mayor proposed and Councillor Elcock seconded a Vote of Condolence with the relatives of the late Mr. P. P. Keeley, Borough Treasurer.

The Town Clerk, on behalf of the Officials, associated himself with the Vote of Condolence.

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Conveyance & Memorial Rep. Body Church of Ireland of "Sunday School House" Executed.

A Deed of Conveyance, together with Memorial for Registration, unto the Representative Body of the Church of Ireland, of premises in Magdalene Street, known as the "Sunday School House", consideration money £50, was this day executed.

Commission

1923. February, 6th.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Assembly Room, Court House, upon Tuesday, the 6th February, 1923.

Present:

In the Chair — His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman — J. E. Murphy, B. E. Allen, J. M. Stanley.
Councillors — P. Carroll, J. Davis, R. Murdock, T. McCabe, R. Webster, L. J. Elcock, J. J. Callan, T. V. McQuillan.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £2697 : 17 : 3
Public Library 36 : 1 : 1.

Law & Finance Committee. Report of.

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Allen:-

Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have arranged for Leases of property on the south side of Fair Street to the following tenants:-

re Leases to Mrs. J. A. May, Fair St. & Revd. C. H. W. Hammick do.

(1) Mrs. J. A. May, Lease for 31 years from 25th March last at the yearly rent of £24.
(2) Rev. C. H. W. Hammick, Lease for 31 years from 25th March last at the yearly rent of £26.

Tenders

We have received three tenders for the supply of timber as follows:-

No 1. £30 : 14 : 9
No 2 £38 : 0 : 0
No 3. £41 : 18 : 6.

Timber. Messrs. T. & C. Martin Dublin accepted.

No 1 tender, that of Messrs. T. & C. Martin, Dublin, being the lowest, we recommend you to accept same.

Wheels for Float. James Cooney Dominick St. accepted.

We have also received two tenders for the supply of a pair of wheels for float as follows:-

No 1 £10 : 1 : 11
No 2 £10 : 0 : 0

No. 2 tender, that of James Cooney, Dominick Street being the lowest, we recommend you to accept same.

We have received an application from Mrs. C. McNamara for an extended term of her present Lease and a reduction in her rent. Mrs. McNamara was granted a Lease for a term of 75 years of Nos 23 and 24 Shop Street and

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and premises in Dyer Street, at a rent of £35 per annum with an expenditure of £2,600. She now finds that the expenditure will amount to £5,500, and submitted an estimate for this work.

Mrs. C. McNamara Shop St. re applon for extended term & reduced rent - sanctioned

Having regard to the very large amount of expenditure incurred in the re-building of 24, Shop Street, and the carrying out of other alterations, we recommend you to take a surrender of the existing Lease and to grant her a new Lease for a term of 150 years at £30 per annum. The sanction of the Ministry of Local Government must be obtained to the granting of this Lease.

assent to Assignment Mary McEnteggart to Patk McCloskey

We recommend you to assent to an Assignment from Miss Mary McEnteggart to Mr. Patrick McCloskey of premises on the Dublin Road.

re vacancy Borough Treasurer James J. Keeley appointed temporarily

We have had under consideration the question of the Office of Borough Treasurer rendered vacant by the death of the late Mr. Peter P. Keeley. After careful consideration we unanimously recommend you to appoint Mr. James J. Keeley temporarily to the Office of Borough Treasurer at a salary of £180 per annum.

Dated 22nd January, 1923. P. O'Muineacain, Chairman."

On the motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Alderman Allen it was unanimously resolved:- "That Mr. James J. Keeley be and is hereby authorised to sign all Borough Fund and Public Library Paying Orders and to issue cheques on the Wages Account in the Bank of Ireland."

Coke. Reduction in price of

The Report of the Gas Works Committee recommending that the price of coke be reduced from 54/3 to 50/- per ton from 8th January, 1923, small quantities to be at the same rate, was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Murdock.

Report of Town Clerk, re Members disqualified

The following Report of the Town Clerk was read:-

Gentlemen,

In accordance with Notice of Motion of Councillor McCabe I beg to report that the following members have not attended a meeting of the Council or any of its Committees during the past six months and are consequently disqualified:-

Councillor E. Mullen,
Councillor H. Balfe,
Councillor J. Fitzhenry
Councillor T. Carroll (presently interned in Dundalk Jail)

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By the death of the late Alderman Thomas Halpin and the resignations of Councillors E. Rooney and J. C. Thornhill three further vacancies exist.

By an Order in Council the date for the (~~14th June~~) holding of the Elections of Councillors of Boroughs is fixed for the 14th June, 1923, so that casual vacancies cannot be filled as the vacancies occur within six months of the ordinary date of election.

I am, Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant,
J. Carr, Town Clerk.

No order made.

A Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

Order Ministry L. Govt. fixing date of Elections & holding of 1st meeting

A Copy of an Order from the Ministry of Local Government fixing the date for the holding of the Election of Councillors of Boroughs, Urban Districts, etc., on 14th June next, and the date for the holding of the first meeting of every Council or Commissioners on the 21st June next, was read.

Sailors & Soldiers Housing Scheme

Letter ~~[illegible]~~ from Sailors' & Soldiers' Department intimating that the formal confirmation of the Scheme for the building of 20 houses is held up until the appointment of Trustees, under recent and pending legislation for the administration of the Act, was read.

Unemployment No funds available

Letter from Ministry of Local Government intimating that there are no further funds available out of which to make a grant for the relief of unemployment in the Drogheda District, was read.

Letter from Ministry of Local Government in connection with School Meals' arrangements was read and referred to the School Attendance Committee.

Condolence. acknowledgment of vote of Mrs. Bridget E. Keeley

Letter read from Mrs. Bridget E. Keeley thanking the Council for their Vote of Condolence on the death of her husband, the late Peter P. Keeley, Borough Treasurer.

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Minutes of proceedings of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House at 8 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday the 6th day of March 1923.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- B.E. Allen
Councillors:- F. Bateson, J. Davis, R. Murdock, T.V. McQuillan, R. Webster, T. McCabe, S.J. Elcock, J.J. Callan, P. Carroll, P. McNamara.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages. Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. Payments ordered:- Borough Fund £4591: 8:5
Public Library 21: 8:10
Artizans Dwellings Loan &c.

Law & Finance Committee Report of. Asst. Town Clerk Mr. Eustace O'Connor Resigns. Advt. for a Junior Boy Clerk.

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that Mr. Eustace O'Connor has tendered his resignation as Assistant to the Town Clerk having secured a position in the Ministry of Home Affairs. We had under consideration the appointment of a Clerk in the Town Clerk's Office, and recommend you to advertise for a Junior ~~Boy~~ Clerk, between the ages of 17 & 21 years, resident in the Town, at a salary of £78 per annum, the appointment to be made by competitive examination to be set and conducted by the Local Government Department, the subjects being Shorthand, Typewriting, Arithmetic, English & Irish.

Upon their application we have agreed to allow Messrs S. Henly & Sons, Contractors, to take some 70 loads of Sand from the Greenhills pit at 2/6 per load.

Miss Mary Fowler Trinity St. Dangerous Build. Notice Served.

A Dangerous Building notice was served upon Miss Mary Fowler in respect of premises in her occupation in Trinity St. Miss Fowler has requested permission to remain in occupation until May next when she will then hand up possession. We recommend you to accede to her request upon the condition that she remains in occupation at her own risk.

It was agreed to amend the report by inserting the word "Boy Clerk".

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor Seconded by Councillor Davis, the report as amended, was unanimously adopted.

A report of the School Attendance Committee recommending that

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that it would be undesirable to put the School Meals' Arrangements act into operation in Drogheda, was read, and adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor Seconded by Councillor McCabe.

Town Clerks Report. Appointment on Housing Committee

A report of the Town Clerk intimating that the following Members have not attended a meeting of the Housing Committee during the past 12 months, read:

Councillors:- T. Carroll, J. Fitzhenry, H. Balfe & E. Mullen.

It was unanimously agreed to appoint the following on the Housing Committee in room of those mentioned above, viz:-

Councillors S.J. Elcock, T.V. MacQuillan, T. McCabe & R. Murdock.

A report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

Boyne Canal Co. Commission. Councillors Webster & Murdock appointed to attend.

Letter from the Canals & Inland Waterways Commission enquiring to know if the Corporation desired to put forward a witness to give evidence in connection with the Boyne Canal, read.

It was agreed to appoint Councillors Webster & Murdock to attend the Commission.

Lic'd Grocers & Vintners Prot. Assocn. re change Market Day from 17th March to 16th March.

A Resolution from the Licensed Grocers' & Vintners Protection Association, Drogheda Branch, requesting the changing of the Market Day from Saturday the 17th March (St. Patrick's Day) to Friday the 16th March, read.

It was agreed to comply with the request and the Town Clerk was instructed to insert the necessary advertisements in the local papers.

It was agreed to appoint Councillor T. McCabe on the Gas Works Committee in room of Councillor E. Mullen.

Leases Sealed to. Alphonsus J. McQuillan of premises Nos 89 & 90 West St.

The following were this day sealed unto:-

(1.) Mr. Alphonsus J. MacQuillan of West Street, Drogheda, Lease of the dwelling house, shop and premises known as numbers 89 & 90, West Street, Drogheda, for a term of 75 years from the 25th March 1922, at the yearly rent of £20, covenant to expend within 2 years the sum of £1800 upon repairs & alterations, according to plan and specification submitted, ~~and to~~ otherwise a penal rent of £60 per annum to be imposed, and to insure in the sum of £2000.

Mrs. Mary Fas. May of Fair St. premises

(2.) Mrs. Mary Frances May of Fair Street, Drogheda, Lease of dwelling house, garden and premises situate on the south side of Fair Street, Drogheda, for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1922, at the yearly rent of £24, covenant to insure in the

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the sum of £800.

Lease Sealed to John Loughran of premis Hardman's Garden

(3) John Loughran of Hardman's Garden, Drogheda, Jr. Lease of dwelling house & garden situate on the East side of Hardman's Garden, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1922 at the yearly rent of £3 covenants to insure in the sum of £150.

Lease Sealed to Mary K. Long Chord Road of 2 Houses & premises Chord Road Drogheda

(4) Miss Mary K. Long of Chord Road, Drogheda, Lease of 2 Dwelling houses and premises situate upon the south side of the Chord Road, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September, 1922, at the yearly rent of £12-10/-, covenants to carry out repairs and alterations, as per schedule endorsed upon the Lease, within a period of one year, otherwise a penal rent of £25 per annum to be paid, and to insure in the sum of £800.

Conveyance in fee Executed to James Byrne West St. of hereditaments Fair St. Drogheda

A Conveyance in fee simple unto Mr. James Byrne of 20, West Street Drogheda, of the hereditaments and premises known as No. 14 and situate upon the south side of Fair Street, Drogheda, consideration money £810, was this day executed.

Memorial to L.G. Dept. for Sanction to New Lease to Mrs. Catherine McNamara of premises in Shop St. & Dyer St. Executed.

A Memorial to the Local Government Department, praying for sanction to the granting of a new Lease to Mrs. Catherine McNamara of premises on the west side of Shop Street and premises in Dyer St. was this day executed.

Commission

1923 April 3rd

Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House upon Tuesday the 3rd day of April 1923 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair - His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen:- B.E. Allen.

Councillors:- P. Carroll, F. Bateson, R. Murdock, J. Davis, L.J. Elcock & J.J. Callan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Wages Sheets examined and passed

Payments. Payments ordered - Borough Fund £1016: 13: 8

Public Library £ 5: 10: 8

Law & Finance Committee. Report of.

The following report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

Messrs. Galbraith Ltd. Expiry of Lease premises at Cromwell's Mount.

A lease of a field containing 3 rds. 38 per (Irish) with a small Cottage at Cromwell's Mount, in the possession of Messrs Galbraith Ltd., expired on the 25th instant, the rent reserved under the Lease being £3 per annum.

Yearly tenancy of same premises granted Messrs. Galbraith. Aft. to be entered into.

We recommend you to grant Messrs Galbraith Ltd. a yearly tenancy of the field and Cottage at the annual rent of £3, upon the condition that an Agreement be entered into by the Company agreeing to hand up possession of the premises upon receiving three months notice in writing, and making provision for taking off a small portion of the field for the proposed widening of the Laneway leading to Cromwell's Mount.

Miss May Daly St. Peter's Place - Lease recommended.

We recommend you to grant Miss May Daly a lease of premises in St. Peter's Place, for a term of 31 years from the 25th March instant at the yearly rent of £15, covenants to keep the premises in a proper state of repair to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor.

Miss Daly is at present a yearly tenant of these premises paying a rent of £26 per annum, which includes a 30% increase, but in view of the expenditure upon repairs to the premises your Committee consider it advisable to grant Miss Daly a lease.

Premises on Chord Rd. & North Strand. Reps. of Woodrooffe Tents. Offr. of Surrender of Lease not to be accepted

We have received an application from Messrs R.B. Daly & Son, Agents for Reps. Woodrooffe, offering to surrender a lease of premises on the Chord Road and North Strand, The Lease of which will not expire until September, 1924. The property on the North Strand has been allowed to go into a bad state of repair.

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repair, and in order to compel the lessee to carry out the repairing covenant in the lease, we do not recommend you to accept a surrender of the lease.

The practice of allowing property to go into a dilapidated state prior to the lease falling out and shifting the responsibility upon the Corporation to carry out extensive repairs when the property falls into your hands, is one which serious notice must be taken of.

Stone Breaker - re Purchase of.

Mr. Herbert H. Henly has offered us for sale a Baxter Stone Breaker. The Borough Surveyor has had on hire this Stone Breaker for a considerable time past, and as a saving would be effected by the purchase of the Stone Breaker, we recommend you to buy the same for the sum of £155, which price Mr Henly has agreed to accept.

Electric Undertaking Scheme, Consulting Engineer Mr. A. E. Porte Dublin accepted.

We have had under consideration the question of employing a Consulting Engineer to prepare a report upon the advisability of an Electric Undertaking Scheme. We have received three quotations from Consulting Engineers for this work, and we recommend you to accept the lowest quotation, that of Mr Arthur E. Porte, Dublin, at a fee of £5. 5. 0. and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses.

Borough Treasurer James J. Keeley appointed

We have had under further consideration the question of making a permanent appointment to the Office of Borough Treasurer, and having carefully considered the matter, we recommend you to appoint Mr James J. Keeley to the Office at a commencing salary of £180 per annum rising by annual increments of £7 to £250.

William Finegan Trinity Street weekly letting space of ground for garden

Upon his application we have agreed to grant Mr. William Finegan, Trinity St, a weekly letting of a waste space of ground on the South Side of Trinity Street, for the purpose of a garden at a rent of 10/- per year, possession to be given up upon receiving one weeks notice in writing.

Mrs Supple's premises Fair Street - Sold to James Byrne

We also beg to report that the sale of the premises in Fair Street, lately in the occupation of Mrs Supple, has been sold to Mr. James Byrne, West St, Drogheda for the sum of £810, and we recommend that the purchase money be invested in Dublin Corporation 3¼ % Stock.

A number of leases has expired on the 25th instant, but we are in negotation with the tenants for renewal of leases, and when the negotations are completed a report will be submitted in due course."

Upon the motion of his Worship the Mayor Seconded by Alderman Allen the Report was adopted.

Gas Works Committee Report of.

A Report of the Gas Works Committee was read and adopted on the motion of his Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Murdock:-

"Gentlemen,

We recommend that the price of Gas for all purposes be reduced by

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five pence per 1,000 cubic ft. from 1st April, 1923, making new price to ordinary consumers 6/3 per 1,000 cubic ft. and to Slot consumers 6/8 per 1,000 cubic ft; Quarterly discounts of 10% to consumers of 100,000 cubic ft. or over per annum, and 5% to consumers of 50,000 cubic ft. or over per annum.

Gas Collector Jas. T. Rice - Increase in Wages.

We recommend that James T. Rice, Gas Collector, be granted an increase of 7/- per week starting March 1st. 1923, making his total salary £182 per annum.

Tenders. Various for Gas Works

We recommend acceptance of following tenders to Specification delivered at Gas Works:-

1 Cornish Steam Boiler with usual mountings and Injector £173, Contractor, Messrs Robey & Co; Ltd; Lincoln.

1, 6 H. P. Verical Steam Engine with feed pum, at £62, Contractor, Messrs. Robey & Co Ltd; Lincoln.

1, New Gas Exhauster with two valves @ £77-10-0, Contractor Messrs Bryan, Donkin & Co. Chesterfield.

Complete re-setting of 6 Retorts as per Specification and tender @ £286-12-0 (subject to usual guarantees and conditions of Contract), Contractor Messrs E. & J. Neal, Derby."

Allotments Committee Report of.

The following Report of the Allotments Committee was read:-

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the question of an Allotments Scheme for coming season,

The following fields were under Allotments last season:-

Field.	No of Plots in field.	No of Plots Worked.	No. Vacant.	Individual Plotholders.	No of Plots applied for this season.
Blackbut Lane	26-1/16 ac.	18	8	16	8
Platten Road	6- do.	5	1	5	4
Finegan's Field	28- do.	28	Nil	26	28
Marsh Road	33-⅛ ac.	26	7	21	26

We held a meeting of the plotholders of the various fields in the Mayoralty Rooms for the purpose of ascertaining whether they desired to continue the cultivation of Allotments for the coming season. The plotholders in Finegan's field are all taking their plots, and 28 plots have been applied for in Marsh Road field. In the Blackbut Lane field only 8 have applied for plots, and in view of the small number of applicants we could not see our way to continue the Allotments scheme in this field. We therefore recommend you to advertise Blackbut Lane field for letting. We hope to be able to fill up both Marsh Road

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and Platten Road Allotments before 1st May.

We recommend the same rent be charged as last season namely 8/- per one-sixteenth acre plot."

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Davis.

A Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

re Position of Junior Boy Clerk. Applications for.

Applications for position of Junior Boy Clerk in the Town Clerk's Office were received from the following:-

P. A. Segrave,	23 Scarlet St.
Thos. Cumiskey,	Mell.
Vincent Gallagher,	3, King St;
Patrick Moran,	North Road.
John. Carr,	15, Patrick St.,
Thos. Brien,	22, North Stoand.
Jos. Mc Kenna,	11, Chord Road.

L.G.Dept. to hold an Examn.

Ordered that the applications be forwarded to the Local Government Dept. to arrange for the holding of an examination.

re appointment of a National Film Censor.

Letter from Ministry of Home Affairs in connection with the appointment of a National Film Censor.

It was agreed that it would be desirable to have a National Film Censor appointed.

Lease Sealed to Miss Marianne Brogan re no Bull Ring Drogheda

A Lease was this day sealed unto Miss Marianne Brogan of Bull Ring, Drogheda, of premises on the West side of Bull Ring for a Term of 50 years from the 25th March 1922 at the yearly rent of £15 covenants to expend the sum of £300 upon repairs and alterations in accordance with plans and specifications submitted, and to insure in the sum of £800.

Communicate

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Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. McDonnell, R. E. Allen.
Councillors:- P. Carroll, R. Murdock, J. McCann, Jas. Davis, T. McCabe, J. J. Callan

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The Notice Convening the Meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and Confirmed.
Wages Sheets examined and passed.
Payments ordered: Borough Fund £ 2133:18:11
Public Library 23:10:8
Artizans Dwellings Loan A/c 3900:0:0

A Report of the Law & Finance Committee submitting Rate Estimates for Year Ending 31st March 1924, and recommending a rate of 5/9 in the £ was read, and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Allen.

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

Law & Finance Committee Report

We beg to report that we have advertised for tenders for Annual Supplies and recommend you to accept the following being the Lowest in each Case:-

Ironmongery - Messrs. J. Group, A. Murphy, A. Murdock & Sons, and H. Harbinson & Son, the Lowest in each item.

Timber. Dublin Timber & Cement Co. Ltd. @ £ 27:6:6.

Disinfectants - James J. Doherty, Dublin, 3/- per Gallon.

Tenders. Annual Supplies

Smithwork and Repairs to Carts - James Cooney, Dominick Street.

Winding and regulating Tholsel Clock - Messrs. Duffner Bro. @ £ 6:10:0

Repairing dials Tholsel Clock - Messrs. Duffner Bro. @ £ 22:10:0

Repairs to Harness - John Callan, West Street.

Upon his application we have agreed to grant permission to Mr. Luke J. Healy, West Street, to put his name in Mosaic on the footpath in front of his Chemist Shop Window.

We have had under Consideration a number of tenancies the Leases of which Expired on the 25th March last. A large number of tenants have accepted the terms for Leases, but there are a few still outstanding with which we are in negotiation, and as soon as we have Completed negotiations with these tenants

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a full Report will be Submitted to you.

We have agreed to assent to a Deed of Charge from James Bellew to Anne Bellew, Christopher Bellew and Joseph Bellew of premises on the North Road Lease Mc. 1364.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the Motion of His Worship the Mayor Seconded by Councillor Davis.

The Annual Report of the Fair Inspector was read and adopted.

A Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month, and intimating that the Harbour Commissioners applied for hire of the Steam Roller for a fortnight read.

It was agreed to hire the Steam Roller to the Harbour Board at the usual charge viz:- £2 per day.

Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates.

The Rate Collectors lists of Arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for the half year Ending 31st March 1923, amounting to £435:18:10 and £173:8:11 respectively were Submitted and approved.

The following were this day Sealed unto:-

Leases sealed unto:- Henry Moss.

(1). Henry Moss Scarlet Street, Lease of premises on the South Side of Scarlet Street, and East Side of Sandyford Alley, for a term of 50 years from the 29th September 1922. at the yearly rent of £2:10:0 Covenant to insure in the sum of £800.

Georgina Butler

(2). Georgina Butler, Kate Orr, Jane Coleman, Thomasina Elizabeth Fogarty and Emily Louisa Fogarty, Lease of nine dwelling houses and premises on the North Side of Chord Road known as "Culver Row" for a term of 50 years from the 29th September 1922. at the yearly rent of £30.

Surrender of Lease

(3). Deed of Surrender of Lease dated 1st January 1858 from Mrs. Georgina Butler & others of premises demised by said Lease of 1st January 1858.

(4). Two Memorials for Registration of Lease unto Butler & others and Deed of Surrender.

Elections Postponed

Read Copy Order from Ministry of Local Government postponing day for Holding of Election of County Councillors, Rural District Councillors and Guardians in Urban Districts to the 12th September next.

No Order made

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Resolutions from Cork Corporation and Dublin Sinn Fein Peace Committee requesting intervention of His Excellency Monsignor Luzio Papal Envoy in the interests of Peace, read.

No Order made.

Letter from Association of Secondary Teachers requesting resolution to be passed urging upon the Government the necessity for taking into Consideration their claims for higher remuneration &c read.

Upon the Motion of His Worship the Mayor, Seconded by Councillor McCabe the following resolution was passed unanimously:-

"That this Council approves of the claims of the Association of "Secondary Teachers, and desires to impress on the Government the urgent "necessity of taking into immediate Consideration their claims for higher "remuneration, Fixity of tenure of position, the right to Enjoy increments "within certain basic limits of Salary and graded pensions after Specified "periods of Service"

"And that a Copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Education."

Councillor J.J. Callan moved and Councillor McCabe seconded that the Town Clerk be instructed to write to English Tobacco Manufacturers inviting them to Drogheda to Erect Factories.

The motion was put and Carried.

Commissioner

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House upon Tuesday the 5th day of June, 1923, at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m.

Present:-

In the Chair :- His Worship The Mayor.
Aldermen :- J. Mc Donnell.
Councillors :- P. Carroll, T. Bateson, J. Davis, R. Murdock, J. J. Callan, D. Reddan, L. J. Ulcock, T. Mc Cabe, P. Mc Namara.

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The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last Meting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheets examined and passed.
Payments Ordered :- Borough Fund £1,106 :7: 2.
Public Library 11 :14: 7.

The consideration of the report of the Law and Finance Committee dated 28th May, 1923, was adjourned until next meeting.

Report of P. Weldon read intimating that Peter Donohue, Athboy, was fined 10/ and costs for selling Cattle on the public Street.

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor J. Davis it was unanimously resolved :-

Rates.
Striking of
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Resolution

"That this Council do hereby make, strike, and impose a Borough Rate of Fifty-three pence in the pound on the owners, occupiers, or tenants of all hereditments within the Borough rateable for the relief of the poor upon the annual value thereof - that is to say, Twenty seven pence in the pound Levied under the provisions of the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Acts and the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1896, in order to raise the sum of £3,000 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses for Town purposes for the year ending the 31st March, 1924; Twenty-one pence in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and the acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £2,332 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of the Water Supply for the year ending the 31st March, 1924; One penny in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (I) Act, 1878, and Acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £111 :0 :11

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being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses of the Child Welfare Scheme for the year ending 31st March 1924; Two pence in the pound for expenses under "The Public Libraries Acts 1855 to 1920" in order to raise the sum of £222 :1 :10 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses to be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said last mentioned Acts for the year ending 31st March, 1924; Two pence in the pound for expenses under "The Technical Instruction Act, 1889," and the Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act, 1899," in order to raise the sum of £222 :1 :10 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said Acts for the year ending 31st March, 1924".

"That the Rate Books and all the entries made therein be, and the same is hereby adopted as the Rate Book by the Council, and that the same be duly signed as such, and it is hereby ordered that the said Rates shall be payable on and after the 5th day of June, 1923."

"That the Council do hereby make, strike and impose upon the occupiers of all property within the Borough a Poor Rate of Fifty nine pence in the pound upon the annual value of all such property under the Irish Poor Relief Acts, and the Local Government (Ireland) Acts, 1898-1902, in order to raise the sum of £6,624 :9 :8 which has been estimated will meet, for the year ending 31st March, 1924, the Demand of the County Council, and also the expenses of the Council, to be defrayed out of Poor Rate, under the last mentioned Acts and Acts amending and extending the same, and the same shall be payable on and after the 5th day of June, 1923."

The various Rate Estimates having being submitted and formally approved, The Rate Book and Collector's Warrant were duly executed and Sealed.

The following were this day executed :-

Surrender of Lease Boyne Linenbo.
(1) A surrender of Lease dated 2nd May 1906, from the Greenmount and Boyne Linen Co; Ltd. of field situate between Bredon St; and road to Greenhills, Drogheda.

Agreement.
(2) An agreement in duplicate with Messrs. C. & H. Neal, 35, Burton Rd, Derby, England, for erection and completion of 6 retorts &c at Gas Works Department.

Lease.
(3) A lease unto Rt Charles H. W. Hamnick, of premises on the South side

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side of Fair St., Drogheda, for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1922 at the yearly rent of £26, covenants to insure in the sum of £1,000.

Lease to Louth Co. Council

(4) A Lease unto the Louth County Council of House and premises situate on the West side of Fish Market for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1922, at the yearly rent of £2 covenants to insure in the sum of £200.

The above Lease was executed at the Meeting held on the 7th November 1922, but the original Lease was destroyed in the burning of the Mail Train outside Castlebellingham Station on the 20th December last.

Resolution from Galway Urban District Council urging owners to pay Rates on Houses, read.

No order made.

Resolution from Rathdown Board of Guardians re- Peace settlement, read.

No order made.

The following Resolution from the Drogheda Workers Council was read :-

Resolution

"That with a view to relieving to some extent the abnormal amount of Unemployment at present prevailing in the County, we hereby request An Dail to pass the necessary legislation to make operative the provision of the Free State (Consequential Provision) Act which sets aside £1,590,000. for houses for Ex-Servicemen in Ireland."

Councillor McCabe proposed and Councillor Reddan seconded that the above Resolution be passed.

The Resolution was put and declared carried.

His Worship the Mayor dissenting.

A Memorial from Local Traders protesting against certain people selling goods on Market and Fair Days was referred to the Bye Laws and Markets Committee.

Date of Elections Fixed.

Copy Order from Ministry of Local Government fixing date for holding of Election of Councillors of Boroughs, Urban Districts, and Town Commissioners on the 12th September, 1923, read.

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Upon his application the Town Clerk was granted his annual leave of absence.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House upon Tuesday the 3rd day of July, 1923, at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present :-

In the Chair :- His Worship The Mayor.
Aldermen :- Bertram C. Allen, J. M. Stanley.
Councillors :- P. Carroll, T. Bateson, J. Davis, R. Murdock, J. J. Callan, R. Webster, T. Mc Cabe, T. O. Mc Quillan, L. J. Elcock.

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The Notice convening the Meeting was taken ~~as~~ read.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheets examined and passed.
Payments Passed :- Borough Fund. £1325: 0: 5
Public Library. £ 15: 12: 1
Artizans Dwellings Loan A/C £3200: 0: 0

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee the consideration of which was adjourned from last Meeting was read :-

Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had under consideration a number of holdings the Leases of which expired on the 25th March last, and recommend you to grant new Leases to the following upon the terms set out below :-

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Leases Recommended

James Cunningham, premises Boyne View, Chord Road.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £10, expenditure £130.
Mrs. Edith M. Allen, Boyne View House, North Strand.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £30, expenditure £150.
Miss Annie F. Moore.
Mr. Owen Kierans.
Mrs. Bridget Kieran
Mr. Thomas Molloy
} Boyne Terrace, Chord Road.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £20 each, expenditure of at least £70 each.
Mr. John A. Gannon, North Strand.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £25, expenditure £100.
In connection with these premises Mrs. Mary Gannon, Kittallaght House, had been granted an agreement of Lease in April, 1921, conditional upon her expending immediately a sum of £300 upon repairs as specified by her. As

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As Mrs. Gannon did not execute the Agreement and declined to expend the money upon repairs, we granted the tenant in occupation - Mr John A. Gannon, the lease upon the terms set out above.

Mrs. Kate Greene, North Strand.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £25, expenditure £15.
Mr. Joseph C. Mc Kittrick, 4 weekly tenements, North Strand.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £5, the premises to be put into a thorough state of repair.

All the above named premises were comprised in Lease No. 926, the old rent of which was £4 : 1 : 11 per annum.

Mr. Peter Eustace and Mr. John Brennan, North Strand.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £8 each, expenditure £60 each.
These premises were comprised in Lease No. 1246 the old rent of which was £9 : 1 : 6 per annum.

Leases.

The Lease No. 1258 of 3 weekly tenements on the South Side of the Chord Road held by Mr. Joseph Branigan expired on the 25th March last. We offered Mr. Branigan a 31 years lease of these premises at £5 per annum and to expend the sum of £50, but Mr. Branigan declined to accept the Lease. We have therefore taken over these three houses and let them as weekly ~~t~~ tenancies at the same rent as was paid to the former Landlord, viz. 2/3 per week.

Mr. William Farrell, premises John Street.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £10 expenditure £115.
Mrs. Nannie B. Lyons, House, Shop, outoffices, and weekly tenement adjoining, Trinity Street.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £20, no expenditure upon repairs.
As Mrs. Lyons had expended a very considerable sum in keeping these premises in a thorough state of repair, your Committee took this fact into consideration in fixing the rent.
Peter Roche, Trinity Street.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £15, expenditure £150.
Mr. George Garrett, Trinity Street.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £20, expenditure £50.
Mrs. Annie Gough, Trinity Street.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £10, expenditure £140.
Mr. John Downey, Trinity Street.
Term 31 years, yearly rent £15, expenditure £120.
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We have added a portion of the garden presently in Mrs. Gough's occupation to Mr. Downey's House.

Miss Margaret McCann, Trinity Street.

Term 31 years, yearly rent £6, expenditure £30.

We have taken over and let the following premises in Trinity St, as weekly tenancies:-

House occupied by Patrick Donough @ 4/- per week.
" " " M. Wolfe. " 4/5 "
" " " J. Brady. " 4/4 "
" " " J. McGuirk. " 2/8 "
" " " M. McKenna. " 2/- "
" " " J. Caffrey. " 2/- "
" " " T. Halligan. " 3/6 "
" " " Path. Dunne. " 3/9 "
" " " John Balfe. " 3/- "

4 Houses in Brickfield occupied by J. Smith, S. McKenna, Owen Morris, and J. Lyons @ 1/1 per week each.

All the above premises in Trinity Street, were comprised in old Lease No. 939, the rent of which was £3:7:6 per annum.

Mrs. Doila Carr applied for a Lease of the 2 Houses occupied by Dunne and Balfe and we offered her a Lease at £6 per annum with an Expenditure of £30 upon repairs. Mrs. Carr declined to accept the terms.

Penal Rents.

We recommend that in future the Penal Rent to be inserted in Leases shall be three times the rent reserved under the Lease.

Re Lease to Mr. J.J. Callan

The Lease of Councillor J.J. Callan's premisses in West Street expired on the 25th March 1922, the rent of which was £23:16:6.

For some years past Mr Callan has been in negotiation with the Committee for a new Lease and after a very lengthy correspondence and several interviews with Mr. Callan we made a final offer as follows:-

A Lease for 31 years at £30 per annum and carry out the repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor; or alternatively a Lease for 50 years at £30 per annum and carry out the work according to plans submitted together with the repairs specified by the Borough Surveyor.

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Mr. Callan has refused to accept a Lease upon these terms. Your Committee cannot recommend you to grant a Lease of these premises at a less rent than £30, per annum, and consequently we must submit the matter to you for instructions."

His Worship the Mayor moved and Councillor Davis seconded the adoption of the Report.

The Report was put and declared carried unanimously.

The last paragraph in the Report asking for instructions in the case of Mr. J.J. Callan's premises was discussed.

Councillor R.J. Elcock moved and Councillor McCabe seconded - That the matter of Mr. Callan's Lease be referred back to the Law & Finance Committee.

His Worship the Mayor moved as an Amendment, Alderman Stanley seconding - That the case be put in the hands of the Law Agent and steps taken to recover possession of the premises.

On a division there voted:-

For the Amendment.	Against the Amendment.
His Worship the Mayor.	Councillors:- Elcock, McGuillan.
Alderman:- Allen, Stanley.	
Councillors:- Davis, Carroll, Webster, McCabe, Bateson, Murdock. 9.	

Councillor J.J. Callan declined to vote.

The Amendment was declared carried by 9 votes to 2 and then put as a substantative motion, the voting being the same as for the Amendment.

Law & Finance Committee Supplemental Report

The following supplemental Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Allen:-

Gentlemen,

"We beg to report that the Lease of premises on the Eastside of Bull Ring in occupation of Messrs. A. Murdock & Sons Ltd. expired on the 25th March last.

Lease to Murdock & Sons

We have agreed to grant Messrs Murdock & Sons Ltd. a Lease of these premises together with a store on the South Quay, presently held as a yearly tenancy, for a term of 50 years at the yearly rent of £30 covenants to expend the sum of at least £264 upon improvements and alterations

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as set out in specification submitted and approved. We would point out that Messrs Murdock & Sons Ltd. expended a considerable sum of money in keping these premises in repair, and we took this fact into consideration in fixing the rent.

Lease to I. Silverman

We have agreed to grant Mr Isaac Silverman a lease of premises at the corner of Fair Street and Magdalene Street for a term of 31 years at the yearly rent of £20 upon the condition that he carry out the repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor.

Mr Silverman held these premises as a yearly tenant at a rent of £24-10-0, but as fairly extensive repairs were needed we considered it more advantageous to grant a Lease upon the terms set out above.

As directed by you we have let the Allotment field at Blackbut Lane to Mr Patrick Connor, Priests' Lane, on an 11 months tenancy for 4 years at a rent of £3 for the present season and £6 for the remaing 3 seasons. Mr Connor to be responsible for the upkeep of the fences etc."

We recommend you to agree to the above lettings.

Report of Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month, read. No order made.

Report of P. Weldon, Market Inspector, intimating that Jas Gorman, Clogherhead, was fined 5/- and costs for selling fish on the Public Street, read. No order made.

Letter read from Ministry of Local Government Department intimating that Mr Vincent Gallagher was the only Candidate who qualified for Junior Boy Clerk in Town Clerk's Office.

Councillor Mc Cabe proposed and Councillor P. Carroll seconded that no appointment be made until the marks of the other candidates who sat for the examination be furnished by the Local Government Department.

His Worship the Mayor moved as an Amendment, Councillor Davis seconding- That Mr Vincent Gallagher be appointed as Junior Boy Clerk in the Town Clerk's Office.

On a division there voted:-

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For the Amendment.	Against the Amendment.
His Worship The Mayor.	Councillors :- P. Carroll & Mc Cabe.
Alderman :- Allen, Stanley.	
Councillors :- Davis, Cleock, Webster,	
McQuillan, Callan, Murdock. 9	2.

Councillor Bateson declined to vote.

The Amendment was declared carried by 9 votes to 2 and was then put as a substantative motion, the same voting taking place. Mr Gallagher being declared elected as Junior Boy Clerk.

Jacques O'Carroll

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Minutes of a special meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 24th day of July, 1923. at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

To consider Report of Housing Committee upon the sale of 7 houses at Sandyford's Alley under 1922 Housing Scheme.

Present:-

In the Chair :- J. E. Murphy

Alderman :-

Councillors :- P. Carroll. Robt. Webster. J. J. Callan. T. Mc Cabe. Luke J. Clerock. J. Davis

The notice convening the meeting was read.

Housing Committee Report

The following Report of the Housing Committee was read.

Gentlemen,

We beg to report that the seven houses erected under the 1922 Housing Scheme at Sandyford's Alley by Mr. John Fogarty, Contractor, have been completed.

We have had before us the Question of the letting of these houses, and after very careful consideration we recommend you to sell these houses under a Tenant Purchase Scheme as outlined in the attached Memorandum. The advantage of the scheme is obvious as the tenant by paying the weekly rent of 11/- becomes the owner after 25½ years.

L.G. Dept. Sanction

If you approve of the Scheme it will be necessary to apply to the Local Government Department for their sanction. When the Department's sanction has been obtained the houses will be advertised for letting and a selection of tenants made from the applications received.

We soon as the other 16 houses on the Thomas Street site have been completed, we will submit a Report for the letting of them.

Dated 20th July, 1923.

S. E. O'Murchadha. Chairman.

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Memorandum of Tenant Purchase Scheme.

Memorandum of Tenant Purchase Scheme.

Terms and conditions upon which the Corporation of Drogheda shall sell to the Tenants thereof the seven houses in Sandyford's Alley, Drogheda, provided by them under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts in pursuance of the Circular letter issued by the Ministry of Local Government on the 16th March 1922.

Each house must be sold subject to the provisions of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts.

The house shall be sold subject to a ground rent of £1 per annum.

The minimum sale price shall be 52½ % of the total approved cost of providing the house.

If the house is not sold for cash the purchase money shall be paid in the following manner, that is to say:-

(1) A cash deposit of 2½ % of the cost of providing the house to be be paid amounting to £19-1-6.

(2) The balance of the purchase money — £381-10-0- secured by a Mortage, to be paid to the Council on the annuity system with interest at five per cent per annum in weekly instalments for a period of not more than 25½ years.

(3) There shall be added to the weekly instalments so calculated, such sum as will be sufficient to meet the costs of (a) fire insurance and (b) administration and (c) ground rent.

A table showing the amount of Principal outstanding at the end of each half-yearly period shall be annexed to the instrument securing payment of purchase money.

The Council shall insure and keep insured, during the currency of the annuity, the houses against fire.

The purchaser shall reside in the house and shall not sublet the premises or any part thereof during the currency of the period allowed for payment of the purchase money.

He shall keep all the premises in proper sanitary condition and repair. He shall allow inspection at all reasonable times by any duly authorized Officer of the Council for the purpose of ascertaining whether the covenants in the instrument executed on sale are observed.

The purchaser shall pay all rates and other outgoings assessed on the premises.

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The house shall not be used as a shop for the sale of intoxicating liquors, or in such a manner as to be a nuisance or cause of annoyance.

The purchaser may, with the consent in writing of the Council, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, transfer his interest in the premises but only to a bonafide intending resident to be approved by the Council.

The purchaser shall pay punctually to the duly authorized officer of the Council the weekly instalments in respect of the purchase. Such payments shall be made at the time and place fixed by the Council. The purchaser may, at any time during the currency thereof, redeem the whole or any part of the annuity so as to shorten the period by cash payments of not less than the difference between the balances of principal outstanding at the time of such redemption and any subsequent half-year as shown by the table annexed to the instrument.

Stamp Duty and legal costs of transfer shall be paid by the purchaser in such manner as the Council direct.

Upon breach of any of the conditions the Council shall be entitled to take up possession of the premises and to dispose of them by public auction or otherwise.

A statement is given hereunder showing the effect of a sale of a house provided by the Council at a cost of £763.

Total approved cost of each house		£763 · 0 · 0
Total minimum purchase price - 52½%		£400 · 11 · 6
Cash Deposit (2½% of the approved cost of providing the house)		£19 · 1 · 6
Amount to be paid in cash or annuity		£381 · 10 · 0
Annuity to redeem £381 · 10 · 0 with interest at 5% by 51 equal half-yearly instalments of £13 · 6 · 3		£26 · 12 · 6 per year
Add for Insurance per ann.	10 · 6	
Add for Administration do	9 · 0	
Add for Ground Rent do	1 · 0 · 0	1 · 19 · 6
Total		£28 · 12 · 0

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or equivalent to 11/- per week for 25½ years.

Undertaken to be signed by Tenant Purchaser

I agree to be bound by the conditions above mentioned and to execute a Deed of Mortgage if approved of as a Tenant Purchaser.

Dated this day of 1923.

Witness _____ Signed _____

Address _____ Address. _____

Councillor Webster moved and Councillor Elcock seconded the adoption of the Report and Scheme.

The Motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Joseph O'Connell

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Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House upon Tuesday the 7th day of August, 1923, at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present :-

In the Chair :- P. Carroll
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen
Councillor :- P. McCann. J. Davis. J.J. Callan. L.J. Elcock. T. McCabe.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken and read.

Arising out of the reading of the minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd July,

Councillor Callan objected to the signing of same upon the grounds that the supplemental Report of the Law & Finance Committee was not submitted to the meeting and was not formally adopted.

The Town Clerk pointed out that the Report was submitted to the meeting and was unanimously adopted as appears from the minutes of the meeting.

After a lengthy discussion the minutes of the meeting of the 3rd July and the minutes of the 24th July were signed Councillor Callan dissenting.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments passed :- Borough Fund £1535:18:10
Public Library £ 9:15:8
Artizans Dwellings Loan a/c £1000:0:0

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committe was read :-

Law & Fin. Comm. Report.

Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have received an application from the Post Office Telegraph Department for permission to the placing of an overground telegraphic line with poles from a point near St. Dominick's Bridge along Rathmullen Road to Rathmullen House. The Borough Surveyor has reported that the Poles will be placed in positions that will cause the least possible obstruction. We recommend you to accede to the request.

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Lease
J. & M. O'Callaghan

We recommend you to grant a Lease to J. & M. O'Callaghan. Shop Street, of premises on the east side of Shop St. for a term of 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £20. conditional upon expending a sum of at least £100 upon carrying out repairs as specified in a report by the Borough Surveyor. The Lease of these premises expired on the 25th March last.

Dated 1st August 1923.

The Chairman, Councillor P. Carroll, proposed and Councillor T. McCabe seconded the adoption of the Report.

The same was put and declared carried, Councillor Callan dissenting.

Report of Bye Laws & Market Committee.

The following Report of the Bye Laws & Markets Committee was read.

Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the Memorial from certain traders protesting against the sale of soft goods in the Market.

In your Market Bye-Laws there are specified various articles and goods which may be exposed for sale, and soft goods or Hardware is mentioned. From enquiries made we learn that there are only a few persons selling soft goods in the Market, and one of these is a local person. In view of the small number selling such goods we do not feel justified in recommending you to amend your Bye-Laws.

Dated 10th July 1923.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. Carroll, seconded by Alderman Allen.

A Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

Councillor T. McCabe drew attention to the excessive speed of Motor Cars passing through the Town, and the Town Clerk was directed to Write the Superintendent of the Civic

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guard upon the matter.

The lists of Tenements for revision of Valuation were submitted and approved.

The following letter was read from Ministry of Local Government (Housing Department)

~~et~~ Quine Hassail,
~~to ack~~ I am directed by the Minister of Local Government to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th inst. (with enclosures) relative to the proposal of the Drogheda Corporation to sell to the intending residents the seven houses recently completed at Sandyfords eldby under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts; and I am to state that, while the Minister will not raise any objection to the sale of the houses on the terms and conditions stated in the Tenants Purchase Scheme which accompanied your letter he considers that the Corporation should, when advertising the sale of the houses, also invite offers on a cash basis from intending resident purchasers. A sale for cash would place immediately at the Councils disposal a portion of the National Funds expended on the provision of the houses thus enabling them to proceed with further housing.

L.G. Dept. Sanction

It should be made clear that the ground rent is a perpetual one.

The Town Clerk was instructed to advertise the 7 houses for letting upon the conditions already agreed upon.

L.G. Dept. Sanction

Letter read from Ministry of Local Government enclosing copy order re sanction of appointment of Official of Local Authorities.

Letter read from Ministry of Local Government dealing with Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (Restriction Act) 1923.

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Borough Treasurer
Appointment Sanctioned

Letter ~~read~~ from Ministry of Local Government sanctioning the appointment of Mr. J.J. Keeley as Borough Treasurer. read.

Letter from P. Fallan, Solicitor, re costs allowed for prosecution under Market Bye-Laws. read.

Ordered to ask the Law Agent to press for Special costs in all these cases.

The Town Clerk drew attention to the fact that the next ordinary Fair would fall on Monday the 27th August the day of the General Election.

It was agreed to alter the date of this Fair to Tuesday the 28th August, and the Town Clerk was instructed to advertise the change of date in the three Dublin Daily Papers and Local Papers.

Upon his application the Borough Surveyor was granted his annual holidays.

Condolence

Upon the Motion of Councillor Elcock seconded by Councillor Callan a vote of condolence was passed upon the death of the Very. Rev. A.S. Mullen. O.F.M. Guardian of the Franciscans, Drogheda.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House upon Tuesday the 4th day of September, 1923. at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- J.C. Murphy. J. Stanley.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. P. McCann. J. Davis. R. Webster. J.J. Callan. L.J. Elcock. P.J. McNamara. T. McCabe.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Monthly Payments:- Borough Fund £1506:13:7
Public Library £ 9:1:6.

The following report of the Law & Finance Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor J. Davis:-

Gentlemen,

Law & Finance Committee Report.

We have received an application from Mrs. M.E. Drew, West St. offering to surrender the existing Lease of her premises in West St. and take out a new one in order to allow her to carry out immediate improvements and alterations to the premises involving an expenditure of about £400.

Surrender of Lease

Mrs. Drew holds under Lease No. 1282 which will expire in September 1929 and her present rent is £25:14:6.

New Lease recommended

As the proposed alterations and improvements will considerably add to the value of the premises, we recommend you to take a surrender of Mrs. Drews present Lease and grant her a new one for a term of 31 years from the 29th September next at the yearly rent of £26 conditional upon her carrying out the alterations and improvements as set out in the plans and specification submitted and approved.

Change of name on Lease

Upon the application of her Solicitor, Messrs. Smyth & Son, we have agreed to change of name on the Lease from Mr. John. A. Gannon to Mrs. Mary Teresa Gannon.

Dated 13th August 1923.

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Housing Committee Report

The following report of the Housing Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

In accordance with your instructions we advertised the seven new houses erected in Sandyford's Alley for letting under the Scheme adopted by you and approved by the Local Government Department.

We received 12 applications for the 7 houses and after careful consideration recommend the following as tenants, viz:-

Mr. Hugh Byrne, Magdalene St.	Drogheda.
Mr. Laurence Kelly, King Street,	do.
Mr. David Blood, Scarlet St.	do.
Mr. Herbert M. Harris, Shod Road	do.
Mr. J.J. Casey, Newfoundwell Rd.	do.
Mr. P.J. Dempsey, Laurence St.	do.
Mr. Michael Donnellon, 6, Palace St.	do.

We eliminated 5 of the applicants, 3 of them upon the grounds that their occupations were of such nature as to not to make them permanent residents in the Town, and two of them to which the provisions of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts would not apply.

Out of the 12 applications received there was only one Artizan who applied - Mr. Hugh Byrne - and we recommend that his application be treated specially in regard to the selection of the houses. The other 6 applicants recommended should be drawn by lot for the remaining 6 houses.

Dated 22nd August 1923.

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Webster the report was unanimously adopted.

Report of Market Inspector giving result of cases brought before the District Justice of Clogherhead Fishermen who were prosecuted under the Market Bye-Laws, read.

Report of Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month, read.

re Valuation of Leases & Report

Pursuant to notice of motion Councillor J.J. Callan moved and Councillor Elcock seconded — "That the Town Clerk or Borough Treasurer be instructed to direct the Corporation Valuer to make a valuation of all Leases running out and report his valuation to the Law & Finance Committee who shall report to the Council."

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After a lengthy discussion the motion was put as follows:-

For the Motion	Against the Motion
Councillors:- P. McBann. L.J. Elcock.	His Worship the Mayor
J.J. Callan. T. McCabe. (4)	Aldermen:- J.E. Murphy.
	Councillors:- J. Davis. P. Carroll.
	R. Webster & P. McNamara. (6)

The Motion was accordingly declared lost by 6 votes to 4.

Letter from Local Government Department re damage to Property (Compensation) Act, 1923, and letter upon Law Agent in reference thereto, read.

It was agreed to refer the matter to the Law & Finance Committee to deal with.

Letter from Local Government Department re Inspectors under sale of Food & Drugs Acts, read.

No order made.

Letter from Secretary, General Valuation Office, intimating that Mr. J. K. McMullan, will commence the annual revision of the valuation of the Urban District on the 24th August, read.

Letter from Chief Superintendent, Civic Guards pointing out that if the Council fixed a speed limit for Motors passing through the Town it would be of great assistance to the Guards, read.

Ordered to refer the question of fixing a Speed Limit to the Bye-Laws & Markets Committee.

The following letter was read and ordered to be inserted upon the minutes:-

Franciscan Convent.
Drogheda.
16th August 1923.

Dear Mr. Carr,

On behalf of the Fathers I beg to thank you and the Municipal Council very much for your kind vote of condolence with the Community on the death of our beloved brother, Fr. Mullan.

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He is certainly a very great loss. But he is gone home to reap the reward of his labour. Again thanking you all,

I, am,
Sincerely yours.
P. Corish O.F.M.

The Town Clerk drew attention to a Memorial which he received from the weekly tenants at Platten Road and which Memorial was in the handwriting of a person named Joseph McCarthy who signed the Tenants names to same; and that there was a resolution on the books that any letter in the handwriting of McCarthy was not to be read. That from enquiries made from the tenants at Platten Road he was informed that the Tenants had not authorized any person to Memorialize the Corporation on their behalf.

It was agreed not to consider the Memorial or any communications in the handwriting of McCarthy.

The following Leases were this day Sealed unto:-

James Cunningham

✓ (1) Mr. James Cunningham of premise Chord Road for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £18 covenants to expend £130 upon repairs and to insure in the sum of £600.

Mrs. T.M. Cannon.

✓ (2) Mrs. Teresa Mary Cannon of premises North Strand from the 25th March 1923 for a term of 31 years ~~from the 25~~ at the yearly rent of £25 covenants to expend £100 upon improvements and to insure in the sum of £600.

Miss K. Greene Leases executed:-

✓ (3) Miss Kate Greene of premise North Strand for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £25 covenants to carry out the repairs in the schedule endorsed upon the Lease and to insure in the sum of £800

Mrs. Brigid Kieran

✓ (4) Mrs. Brigid Kieran of premise Chord Road for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £20 covenants to carry out the repairs in the schedule endorsed upon the Lease and to insure in the sum of £600

Mrs. N. B. Lyons

✓ (5) Mrs. Nannie B. Lyons. of premises Trinity Street for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £20 and to insure in the sum of £2000.

John Downey

(6) John Downey of premise Trinity Street for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £15

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covenants to carry out the repairs on the schedule endorsed upon the Lease and to insure in the sum of £600.

Mrs. E. M. Allen.

(7) Mrs. Edith M. Allen of premises North Strand for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £30. ~~and~~ covenants to carry out the repairs in the schedule endorsed upon the Lease and to insure in the sum of £1000.

Peter Roche

(8) Mr. Peter Roche of premise Trinity Street for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £15 covenants to expend the sum of £150 as per plan and specification submitted and to insure in the sum of £870

George Garrett

(9) Mr. George Garrett of premise Trinity Street for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £20 covenants to carry out the repairs in the schedule endorsed upon the Lease and to insure in the sum of £800.

Miss A. F. Moore

(10) Miss Annie F. Moore of premise Chord Road for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £20 covenants to carry out the repairs in the schedule endorsed upon the Lease and to insure in the sum of £600.

John Brennan

(11) John Brennan of premise North Strand for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £8 covenants to carry out the repairs in the schedule endorsed upon the Lease and to insure in the sum of £400.

Agreement Messrs Galbraith Ltd.

An agreement with Messrs Galbraith Ltd. for the yearly letting of a field and Cottage thereon at Cromwells Mount containing 3rds. 38 per (I.P.M.) at a rent of £3 was this day sealed.

W. V. Seddall's Costs Requisition to Tax Sealed

A Requisition to Tax Mr. W. V. Seddall's costs in connection with the preparation of a Lease and Surrender to his clients Butler & ors. and a Surrender to the Corporation from same of Land and premises at Thomas St. and Chord Road was this day sealed and executed.

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October 2nd.

Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House upon Tuesday the 2nd day of October 1923 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen:- J. E. Murphy. B. E. Allen. J. M. Stanley.
Councillors:- P. Carroll. F. Bateson. P. McCann. J. Davis. R. Murdock. R. Webster. D. Reddan. L. J. Elcock. J. J. Callan. T. McCabe.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed:- Borough Fund £1025-7-2
Public Library £9-11-3
Artizans Dwellings Loans/c £1100-0-0

Law & Finance Committee Report

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had before us applications for Leases from Mr. Peter Carroll and Mr. R. B. Davis of premises in their occupation on the North Road.

Mr. Carroll submitted plans and specification for the carrying out of extensive alterations and improvements to his premises involving and expenditure of £625. and Mr. Davis submitted a specification for carrying out alterations ~~on~~ with and expenditure of £275. Mr. Carroll's holding contains about 6 statute acres of Land.

Lease recommended to P. Carroll R. B. Davis

In order to allow these tenants to carry out the improvements to their premises immediately we recommend you to grant a Lease to Mr. Carroll for a term of 50 years at the yearly rent of £20 and a Lease to Mr. Davis for a term of 31 years at the yearly rent of £16, covenants to in both cases to carry out the repairs and alterations set out in the Plan & specification submitted within one year. Both Leases will date from March 25th next.

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Winters to Winters Assignment.

We have agreed to assent to the Assignment of 2 Leases Nos. 1412 and 989 from Patrick Winters, personal representative of Nicholas Winters deceased, to Patrick Winters, Scarlet Street.

yearly tenancy to Mrs. b. Moonan

Upon her Application we have agreed to grant Mrs. b. Moonan, North Road, a yearly tenancy of 2 houses at North Road at the yearly rent of £1 upon the condition that she keeps the premises in a thorough state of repair and pays the rates. Mrs. Moonan held these premises under a weekly tenancy at 3/9 per week, the Corporation carrying out all repairs and paying rates.

Law & Finance Committee Report.

We are again compelled to report 2 Tenants with whom we have failed to negotiate terms for Leases of their property viz:- Mr. James Berrill, Laurence Street, and Mr. James McDonough, Shop Street. The Lease of these premises expired on the 25th March last. Mr. Berrill submitted a plan and specification for alterations and improvements to his premises involving an expenditure of £300; and in the case of Mr. McDonough the Borough Surveyor submitted a schedule of repairs involving an expenditure of £140. We went very carefully into the question of rent, taking into consideration the expenditure on repairs, and we fixed a rent of £20 upon Mr. Berrill's premises and a rent of £15 upon Mr. McDonough's premises with a lease for a term of 50 years which we considered is the minimum rent we could recommend you to accept.

Re lease to James Berrill James McDonough

We received a letter from Mr. McDonough dated 28th May last offering a rent of £7, and Mr. Berrill wrote on the 27th July last offering £15 per annum. Mr. McDonough has not replied to any letters written to him on the subject since May last and Mr. Berrill's Final Offer has been £15.

Six months have now elapsed since the expiration of the Lease, and having regard to the situation of the premises, we submit we have made a very good offer to the Tenants. We therefore submit these cases for your directions and instructions.

We have again to report to you the case of Mr. F. Curtis, Shop Street. Mr. Curtis having failed to carry out the

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Mr. Curtis' Lease

building covenant in the Lease granted to him in March 1921 you ordered Ejectment proceedings to be taken against him and a Decree for possession was obtained 12 months ago which Decree will expire on the 13th October proximo. Subsequently Mr. Curtis made an offer to carry out certain repairs and alterations and to commence such repairs not later than March last, and we agreed to grant him a new Lease upon this understanding.

Mr. Curtis' premises are in an extremely dangerous condition and as he has failed to keep his agreement in regard to the carrying out of the repairs we recommend you to proceed with the Ejectment obtained against him.

Dated 17th September 1923."

His Worship the Mayor moved and Alderman Allen seconded the adoption of the Report.

Councillor J.J. Ballan moved that the paragraph in the Report dealing with the Leases to Mr. Peter Carroll and R.B. Davis be deleted and postponed for further consideration. There being no seconder Mr. Ballan's amendment fell through.

The motion for the adoption of the Report was therefore put and declared carried.

His Worship the Mayor moved and Alderman Stanley seconded that the Law Agent be instructed to take steps for the recovery of Mr. Jas. Berrill & Mr. Jas. McDonough's premises.

The motion being put was declared carried unanimously.

Gas Works Committee Report.

Upon the Motion of his Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Webster the following Report of the Gas Works Committee was unanimously adopted:-

Gentlemen,

We recommend that Delivery Clerk Jno. Gorman be granted an increase of 5/- per week on and from the 1st October 1923 making new yearly salary £153. We also recommend that Rental Clerk M. Lee-Cooper be granted an increase of 7/6 per week on and from 1st October 1923 making new weekly pay £2 :17:6.

We have passed Payment of £1800 Final Refund to Borough Fund.

Dated 26th September 1923.

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A Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

Permission having been given to amend the notice of Motion standing in his name His Worship the Mayor moved "That we are of opinion that in any Local Government Reform Bill proper provision should be made by the Minister for Local Government for the supervision of purchases or lettings of properties of Public Authorities."

Alderman Allen having seconded the motion was put and declared carried.

The following Leases were this day executed unto

Misses M & N. Daly
Leases executed.

(1) Misses Mary and Nano Daly of premises situate on the east side of Church Lane, Drogheda, for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £15 covenants to insure in the sum of £800.

Peter Eustace

(2) Peter Eustace of premises situate at North Strand for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £8 covenants to carry out the repairs in the schedule endorsed upon the Lease and to insure in the sum of £400.

Registration of Lease

A Memorial for the Registration of the Lease to the County Council of Louth of premises on the west side of the Fish Market was this day executed.

Letter from Ministry of Local Government relative to Revision of Bonuses to Officials was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Letter from Soldiers & Sailors Department intimating that the commencement of building awaits the appointment of Trustees in accordance with the terms of the Irish Free State (Consequential Provisions) Acts 1923. Read.

Letter from Association of Municipal Authorities requesting the appointment of 2 Delegates to attend a Conference to consider the Government's proposal for Amendment of the Local Government Act, read.

His Worship the Mayor and Alderman Stanley were appointed as delegates to attend the Conference.

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Resolution from Blackrock Urban District relative to the holding of an Enquiry into the subject of the Milk Supply of the Cities and Urban Districts, read.

No order made.

Upon his application the Borough Treasurer was granted usual holidays.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council in Committee of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House upon Tuesday the 2nd day of October 1923 at the hour of 9 o'clock p.m.

To consider a Report of the Law & Finance Committee upon the question of Assignment of the Linenhall premises by Messrs. Cahill & Co.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen :- J.E. Murphy. B.E. Allen. J. Stanley.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. F. Bateson. P. McCann. J. Davis
R. Murdock. R. Webster. J. Reddan. L.J. Elcock
J.J. Callan. T. McCabe.

The following Report was read:-

Gentlemen,

We have had before us an application from Messrs. Cahill & Co., for consent to Assign their interest in the Linenhall premises to Mr. John P. Murphy. Abbey Garage, Drogheda.

Report of Law & Finance Committee

In order to promote the industrial welfare of the Town and to encourage the starting of new industries as far as possible Messrs Cahill & Co. were granted a Lease of the Linenhall premises in 1919. At the time this Lease was granted it was believed that Messrs. Cahill & Co. would continue the Book-binding and printing business and so give a lot of much needed employment. The Corporation had considerable negotiations in getting vacant possession of the premises from the late Mr. McGovern and Mr. L.J. Elcock, and Messrs. Cahill & Co. were installed as Tenants without paying any fine.

Linenhall premises Cahill & Co.

The Company have now transferred their business to Dublin and taken away all the Machinery from the Linenhall premises with the result that this industry is lost to the Town.

Having regard to the exceptional circumstances under which Messrs. Cahill & Co. obtained a Lease of these premises your Committee considered it advisable to obtain Counsels Opinion upon their legal powers in regard to withholding their consent or otherwise to the Assignment of the premises.

The following is an extract of Counsels Opinion:-

Counsels Opinion

"The Lease contains a covenant by the Lessee not to Assign the premises without the consent of the Corporation with a proviso that their consent shall not

be unreasonably withheld. In considering this question a material element is the use which the proposed assignee intended to make of the premises. He apparently does not intend to carry on an employment giving business to the same extent as Messrs. Cahill & Co. and having regard to this fact and the general facts of the case as stated by agent I am of opinion that queries to would be entitled to refuse consent to an assignment of the premises to Mr. Murphy."

Your Committee would like an expression of opinion as to the advisability or otherwise of refusing consent to the Assignment to Mr. Murphy.

If you refuse to consent to the Assignment the premises will of course remain idle, and it is possible legal proceedings may ensue.

Dated 17th September 1923.

P. MacCana.

Chairman.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed to ask Messrs. Cahill & Co. to surrender the Lease of the Linenhall premises to the Corporation.

To Commission

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Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 6th day of November, 1923, at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- J.E. Murphy. B.E. Allen.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. T. Carroll. F. Bateson. J. Davis. R. Murdock. T. McCabe. R. Webster. J.J. Callan. L.J. Elcock. P. MacCann.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed:— Borough Fund £2246-19-1
Public Library £18-7-0
Artizans Dwellings Loan a/c £1250-0-0

Law & Finance Report.

The following report of the Law & Finance Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Davis:-

Gentlemen,

We have received applications from 6 Tenants at Frances St. and Scarlet Street to have Water Closets erected on their premises and we invited Tenders for this Work, as well as for 2 houses on North Strand.

Tenders for Water Closets.

The following Tenders were received:-
B. McDonnell £78:0:0
J. Fogarty £112:10:0
We recommend you to accept Mr. McDonnell's Tender being the lowest, and to increase the Tenants rents by 3pence per week each.

We invited Tenders for Oil Clothing for the Scavengers and Carters and we recommend the following be accepted being the lowest in each case:-

Tenders for Oil Clothing

The Celtex Proofing Co. Cork.
Long Boots @ 16/8 each
Leggings @ 4/2 each
Messrs. Anderson & Co. Bristol.
Short Boots at 11/10 each
Hats at 2/- "
We received 3 quotations for supply of Timber and recommend

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you to accept the lowest being that of Messrs. A. Murdock & Sons, Drogheda at £23:15:8.

Leases recommended to:-
J.J. Callan.
James Berrill
James McDonough

The following Tenants have agreed to accept Leases of the premises in their occupation — Mr. John Callan, West St., Mr. James Berrill, Laurence St Mr. James McDonough, Shop Street and we recommend that Leases be granted on upon the following ~~terms~~ conditions

Mr. John J. Callan. Lease for a term of 50 years from the 25th March 1922 at £30 per annum covenants to carry out alterations and improvements as per plan submitted together with repairs specified by the Borough Surveyor.

Mr. James Berrill. Lease for a term of 50 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £20 covenants to ~~carry out~~ expend the sum of at least £300 in accordance with plan and specification submitted.

Mr. James McDonough. Lease for a term of 50 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £15 covenants to carry out the repairs and alterations specified by the Borough Surveyor.

Dated 31st October 1923.

P. MacCann, Chairman.

Housing Committee Report.

The following report of the Housing Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Allen.

Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the question of the letting of the 16 houses in Thomas St. which have been erected by Messrs. S. Henly & Sons and are now ready for occupation.

Having considered the matter very carefully we have unanimously come to the conclusion to recommend you to sell these houses under a Tenant Purchase Scheme upon the same conditions as the 7 houses a Sandyford's Alley, with the exception that the costs of the Mortgage is being spread over the full period of repayment, and a Cash Deposit of £10 instead of 2½% of approved cost of house (which in this case would amount to £17-4-6.

Housing Scheme

Upon the Architect's recommendation we have agreed to improve the present boundary wall along Thomas St. which enclose the front areas of the houses, and to put in concrete Steps to entrances of 4 of the houses. Messrs. S. Henly & Sons submitted an Estimate for this work amounting to £131 which we recommend you to accept. The Local Government Dept. have also approved of this work and the acceptance of Messrs. Henly's Tender.

The total approved cost of each of the 16 houses is £689 and the

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the following statement shows the effect of a sale of these houses:—

Total approved cost of each house	£689 : 0 : 0
Total minimum purchase price – 52½%	362 : 0 : 0
Cash Deposit	10 : 0 : 0
	352 : 0 : 0

Annuity to redeem £352 with Interest at 5% by 51 equal ½ yearly instalments of £12:6:4½ } £24 : 12 : 9 per year.
Add for Insurance per annum. £ 0 : 7 : 6
" " Ground Rent £1 : 0 : 0 — 1 : 7 : 6
£26 : 0 : 3

or equivalent to 10/- per week for 25½ years.

It will be seen therefore that the Tenant will pay a cash deposit of £10 and 10/- per week for 25½ years when the houses will become their own property.

A Memorandum embodying the same conditions as the sale of the other 7 houses will be drawn up, and Tenants must be prepared to abide by these conditions.

The approval of the Local Government Dept. must be obtained to the scheme.

If you approve of our recommendation the houses can be advertised for letting and the applications received could be dealt with by this Committee.

Dated 31st October 1923.

S. E. O'Muircadha.
Chairman.

The following report of the Bye-Laws & Markets Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Elcock.

Bye-Laws & Markets Committee Report.

Gentlemen,

Speed Limit

We beg to report that we have had under consideration the question of the fixing of a speed limit for mechanically propelled vehicles through the Town, and after careful consideration we recommend you to make a Bye-Law fixing the Speed Limit at eight miles per hour.

The consent of the Local Government Dept. must be obtained to the making of the Bye-Law.

Dated 31st October 1923.

P. Carroll.
Chairman.

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The following report of the Gas Works Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Murdock.

Gas Works Committee Report.

Gentlemen,

We recommend that an extra lamp be lighted on the North Strand beyond the Boyne Viaduct.

We regret to have to report that the Lamps in Districts are being interfered with by juveniles— Lamps in some cases being completely ~~broken~~ smashed by stones and Mantles and fittings broken repeatedly causing needless trouble and expense to the Gas Department. We have instructed Secretary to report matter to the Superintendent Bore Guard, and trust it will not be necessary to discontinue lighting of Lamps which are being continually broken.

We recommend that John Walsh Junr. George's Street age 17 years, be taken on as an apprentice to Gasfitting Business in this Department.

Dated 31st October 1923.

P. Carroll. Chairman.

A Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

No order made.

The Market Inspector reported upon cases brought before the District Court for non-compliance with Market Bye-Laws and breaches of Shops Act.

No order made.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion Councillor P. Carroll moved to rescind the following Resolution of the 2nd October 1923.

"That we are of opinion that in any Local Government Reform Bill proper provision should be made by the Minister for Local Government for the supervision of purchases or lettings of properties of Public Authorities"

and further give notice to move

"That the rights and powers at present possessed by this Corporation in regard to letting of their property be retained by them."

Councillor T. McCabe having seconded, the motion was put

there

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there voting:-

For the Motion	against the Motion.
Councillors:-L.J. Elcock. P. Carroll. J.J. Callan. T. Mc Cabe. T. Carroll. F. Bateson (6)	His Worship the Mayor. Aldermen:- Allen. Murphy. Councillors:- Davis. Webster. Murdock. (6)

A tie having taken place His Worship the Mayor gave his casting vote against the Motion, which was accordingly declared lost on the casting vote of His Worship the Mayor.

The following Leases were this day executed unto:-

Murdock & Sons. (1) Messrs A. Murdock & Sons. Ltd. of Shop and Premises Eastside Bull Ring with a store on the south side of South Quay for a term of 50 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £30 Covenants to expend within one year £264 upon repairs and alterations as per specification, and to insure in the sum of £1,500.

Leases executed

Peter Mc Cann (2) Peter Mc Cann, Fair Street, 2 dwelling houses situate on the Northside Old Abbey Lane for a term of 75 years from 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £1 Covenants to insure in the sum of £600.

William Farrell (3) William Farrell, John Street. Dwellinghouse and premises situates on Southside John Street for a term of 31 years from 25th March 1923 at yearly rent of £10 Covenants to carry out repairs and alterations as per schedule attached hereto and to insure in the sum of £450.

Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates 1st year

The Rate Collectors lists of Arrears and Irrecoverable Rates for the 1st year ending 30th September 1923 amounting to, Arrears £362:12:6 Irrecoverable Rates £144:14:1 were submitted and approved.

The following resolution from the Midleton Urban District Council was read:-

Resolution

"That the Government be asked to introduce legislation which would make the Landlord liable for Rates where the Valuation is £4 and under".

His Worship the Mayor moved and Councillor Mc Cabe seconded the adoption of the resolution with the addition of £5 for £4 valuation.

The same was put and declared carried unanimously.

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Resolutions

The following copy resolutions were read from

(1) County Borough Council of Limerick:-

"That we, the members of the County Borough Council of Limerick recognising the absolute necessity existing for peace and unity in Ireland, demand the removal of all barriers to that peace and unity by the release of Pres. de Valera and other elected members, the removal of the Oath of Allegiance to a foreign King; the release of republican prisoners at present held in prisons and camps in the Free State, and in addition the release of all political prisoners held in six-County area, and in Great Britian, and the withdrawal of arbitrary power of interment at present vested in Free State Minister of Defence under so called Public Safety Act.

That copies of this Resolution be sent to all County, Rural and Urban Councils, and other representative bodies."

(2) Macroom Rural District Council:-

"That we, the members of the Macroom Rural District Council, condemn in the strongest possible manner the treatment of Republican Prisoners in Mountjoy, which treatment compelled them to take the drastic measure of hunger-striking for release.

"That we refuse to transact the business of this Council until such time as these prisoners are unconditionally released."

Councillor P. Carroll moved and Councillor Bateson seconded the adoption of both resolutions with the exceptions of the last paragraph in the Macroom Rural Council resolution.

On a division there voted:-

For the adoption of the Resolutions.	Against the adoption.
Councillors:- P. Carroll. T. Carroll. F. Bateson (3)	His. Worship the Mayor. Alderman:- Murphy. Allen. Councillors:- Mc Cann. Davis. Elcock. Webster. Callan. Mc Cabe. Murdock. (10)

The motion was accordingly declared lost by 10 votes to 3.

Resolution from Drogheda Workers' Council requesting the Corporation to devise ways and means to obviate to some extent the unemployment at present prevailing by providing work was read.

No order made

Patrick O'Connell

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council in Committee of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House upon Tuesday the 6th November 1923 at the hour of 9 o'clock p.m.

Present :-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- J.E. Murphy. B.E. Allen.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. T. Carroll. F. Bateson. J. Davis. R. Murdock. T. McCabe. R. Webster. J.J. Callan. L.J. Elcock. P. McCann.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The following report of the Law & Finance Committe was read:-

"Gentlemen,

In accordance with your instructions we have written Messrs. A. & L. Goodbody, Solicitors, for Messrs. Cahill & Co. requesting them to surrender the lease of the Linenhall premises, and the following letter has been received in reply :-

Dame House,
24, Dame Street.
Dublin. 6th October 1923.

Dear Sir,

We have received your letter of 3rd inst. We are instructed to say that our clients are not to be taken as admitting that the statements in your letter as to the Corporation's reason for granting the Lease are either accurate or material. Our clients have spent between £3,000 and £4,000 on the premises, and it is not to be expected that under the circumstances they could consider the question of a surrender.

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As regards the proposed assignee. We cannot admit that the information you ask for is in any way material, but we are prepared to give you such information as we have on the subject. We understand Mr. Murphy intends to use the premises as a Motor Repair Depot for Motor Lorries etc. but we cannot guarantee that this is correct. We believe that he will employ a number of mechanics, but we are unable to say how many, nor can we give you any approximate idea of the cost of the machinery which will be installed. We suggest that if you require this information you should communicate direct with Mr. Murphy, or his Solicitor, Mr. F.J. McKeever, Drogheda.

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yours faithfully,
A. & L. Goodbody.

The Town Clerk.
Drogheda Corporation.

We therefore again submit the matter to you for your decision as to your assent or otherwise of the Assignment of the premises.

Dated 31st October 1923.

P. MacCabe.
Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor moved and Councillor Davis seconded that the Corporation do not give their assent to the Assignment by Messrs. Cahill & Co. of the Lease of the Linenhall premises.

The motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Passed & Complied

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Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 4th day of December, 1923, at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present.

In the Chair :- Councillor P. Carroll.
Aldermen :- J. Stanley.
Councillors. :- T. Carroll. P. McCann. T. McCabe. L.J. Elcock. R. Webster. R. Murdock. J. Davis.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments Passed :— Borough Fund £1693-17-10
Public Library. £ 12-1-8
Artizans Dwelling Loan a/c £ 70-10-8

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. McCann seconded by Councillor T. McCabe:-

Law & Finance Committee Report.

Gentlemen,

Re Party Wall Mr. Curtis.

We beg to report that Mr. Curtis has now arranged for the carrying out of the alterations and improvements to his premises Shop Street and that satisfactory arrangements have been made between himself and Mr. Fogarty for the building of the Party Wall dividing their respective premises.

We have had before us an application from Mrs. Margaret Fogarty, West St. for a Lease of 2 Dwellinghouses on the northside of Trinity St. let as weekly tenants to J. Kerr and A. Boles, and a vacant site on the southside of Trinity St. recently in possession of Miss Mary Fowler. Mrs. Fogarty is prepared to build 3 new modern Workmens' Dwellings of similar type to that erected at Sandyford Alley for the Corporation on the vacant site within 12 months from date of Lease and has submitted plans and specification for this work.

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Lease recommended to Mrs. M. Fogarty.

In order to encourage private enterprize in the building of new houses as much as possible we recommend you to grant Mrs. Fogarty a Lease for a term of 200 years at the yearly rent of £10 conditional upon her completing the building of 3 new Houses within 12 months from date of Lease. The consent of the Local Government Dept. must of course be obtained to the granting of this Lease.

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Lease declined

Miss Margaret McCann, Trinity Street, has declined to accept a Lease of the premises in her occupation which we recommended to you in our Report dated 28th May 1923. We have therefore made her a weekly tenant at 4/- per week excluding rates.

Mrs. A.M. Tiernan

We recommend you to grant Mrs. A.M. Tiernan, Anneville House, Windmill Lane, a Lease for a term of 31 years from the 29th September last at the yearly rent of £2 of the Avenue leading from the North Road to Windmill Lane.

Tenders

2 Tenders were received for supply of Horse-feeding for coming year and we recommend you to accept the lowest being that of Mr. Peter McEvoy, West St, as follows:-

Oats (whole)	19/-	per barrel.
" (crushed)	19/6	" "
Bran	12/-	" cwt.

Assignments

We have agreed to assent to the following Assignments of Leases:-

May to McKeon

(1) Mrs. E.J. May to Mr. Denis McKeon, of premises on the southside Laurence St. Lease No. 1429. We have also agreed to the sub-letting of portion of these premises to the Refuge Assurance Co. Ltd.

Bell to Smith

(2) Mr. Philip Bell to Mr. Farrell Smith and Mary Smith of premises s.s. West Street Lease No. 1384.

Nugent to Fogarty

(3) Repo. Michael J. Nugent to Mrs. Margaret Fogarty of premises n.s. West Street Lease No. 1241.

Lyons to Reid

(4) Repo. Mary et. Lyons to Thomas Reid of premises James's Street Lease No. 1319.

We wish to draw your attention to the practice heretofore adopted by tenants selling, sub-letting or assigning their premises without obtaining in the first instance the consent of the Corporation. We recommend that in future, consent to sales, subletting or Assignment be witheld unless your consent in writing be first obtained and a report be obtained that all covenants on Leases have been fully complied with.

Wm. Hughes Tenancy of field.

We recommend you to let the field on the Dublin Road to Mr. Wm. Hughes Marsh Road, on an 11 months grazing tenancy for coming season at £10 per acre, subject to possession being handed up at any time if required for building purposes.

Lease recommended P. Callan

Mr. Patrick Callan, Francis St., has applied for a Lease of the premises in his occupation and submitted plan and specification for repairs and alterations amounting to £250. This house was let as a weekly tenancy at 4/10 per week including Rates, and had gone into a bad state of repair.

We therefore recommend you to grant Mr. Callan a Lease for a term of 50 years from the 29th September last at the yearly rent of £3 subject to his expending a sum of a least £250 upon improvements and alterations in accordance with the plans and specification submitted.

In accordance.

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Reduction of Officials Bonus

In accordance with the circular letter of the Local Government Dept. of the 20th September last on the subject of the revision of officials bonuses, we have directed that the bonuses of the officials be reduced by 9/26ths as and from the 1st September last.

The Lease of premises in Trinity St., George's St. and Newfoundwell expired on the 29th September last. We are in negotiation with the tenants for Leases, and as soon as all negotiations are completed a full Report will be submitted to you.

Dated 26th November 1923.

P. MacEntee. Chairman.

Gas Works Committee Report.

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

We recommend that lamps be fitted and lighted at Shardman's Garden and midway George's St, one each place.

We again regret to have to complain of breakage of Lamps on the North Strand Road by stone throwing.

Price of Gas on Thermal Basis

We have had under consideration the revising of price of Gas as to the Maximum Price and selling on Thermal Basis as per the Gas Regulation Act 1920 and as written about by the Ministry of Industry & Commerce (Power Section), and have directed Secretary to call at Ministry and have an Interview on the matter as to the position of Drogheda Corporation Gas Department regarding same.

Dated 30th November 1923.

P. Carroll. Chairman.

Upon the motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Councillor Webster the Report was unanimously adopted.

Gas Works. Manager's Report.

The following Report of the Manager, Gas Works Department was read:- ~~The~~

Gentlemen,:

As directed by the Gas Committee at their last Meeting on the 28th inst. I had an interview with Mr. F. E. Allen of the Ministry of Industry & Commerce (Power Section) at his office in Dublin and the position of the Drogheda Corporation regarding the Gas Regulation Act is briefly as follows:-

re Maximum price of Gas

Under the Drogheda (Corporation) Gas Act 1898 the Maximum Price chargeable for Gas is 5/6 per 1000 cu.ft. (15 b. B). The Gas Regulation Act 1920 supersedes that act as regards Maximum price chargeable and selling by lighting value. Heating value substituted. During the War a Temporary Increase of Prices Act allowed a

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temporary Increase in Maximum Price chargable which as regards the Free State ceases on December 31st. 1923. The Ministry of Industry & Commerce (Power Section) acting under a Continuation Act (Pending a Special Act) can only make an order for a maximum price on the Thermal Basis and if such order is not granted by 31st next can only allow the Drogheda Corporation to charge a Maximum price of 5/6 per 1000 cu.ft. from 1st January 1924.

As the matter is urgent I have taken the liberty of bringing this matter before you, as if brought before the Gas Committee at meeting next week it would be too late to be dealt with by the Council. I respectfully suggest that application be made for an order for a maximum price of 7/6 per 1000 cu.ft. ordinary and ~~therm. at fee of £10~~ 7/11 Slot consumers Gas 450 B.T.U. equivalent to 1/8 and 1/9 per therm. A fee of £10 will have to be sent with application for order and later a three years details of manufacturing costs etc. will have to be sent to the Ministry.

Dated 30th November 1923.

Your obedient Servant,

P. J. Fitzpatrick.

Councillor Murdock proposed and Councillor McCabe seconded that the necessary steps be taken to apply for an Order under the Gas Regulation Act to fix the minimum price of Gas at 7/6 per 1000 cu.ft. to ordinary consumers and 7/11 to Slot consumers, Gas 450 B.T.U. equivalent to 1/8 and 1/9 per therm.

The same was put and declared carried unanimously.

A Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out on his Department during the past month was read. No order made.

Letter from Ministry of Local Govt. enclosing copy Order further postponing the Statutory Elections of Councillors of Boroughs &c. read.

Letter from A/S. Ministry of Local Government acknowledging receipt of Resolution suggesting the introduction of legislation for payment of Rates by Landlords of property valued at £5 and under, read.

Letter from Ministry of Local Govt. intimating that the share in the balance of the income of the Irish Housing Fund for the financial year ending 31st March 1922 and the income for the year ending 31st March 1923 amounts in all to £56:8:1, read.

Condolence

Upon the motion of Alderman Stanley seconded by Councillor McCabe a vote of Condolence was unanimously passed upon the death of the late Mr. N. J. Murphy, Co. C., Hill of Rath.

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As the next ordinary day of meeting of the Council would fall upon Tuesday the 1st January 1924 - A Church Holiday - Councillor McCabe proposed and Councillor Davis seconded that the next meeting of the Council and Urban Sanitary Authority be held on Tuesday the 8th January 1924.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 8th day of January. 1924, at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present;

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- B.C. Allen. J.E. Murphy.
Councillor :- R. Webster. D. Reddan. L.J. Elcock. J.J. Callan. T. McCabe. P. McNamara. P. Carroll. T. Carroll. J. Davis.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments Passed :— Borough Fund : £991:14:4
Public Library £14:9:4

The following Report of the Law + Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Allen :-

Law + Finance Committee Report

Gentlemen;-

We beg to report that the lease of property at Newfoundwell and Bredin St. expired on the 29th September last. Mr. Peter Corcoran, Old Bill, was Lessee of this property and surrendered the Lease on the 20th August last. The property which consists of Thatched Cabins was allowed to go into dilapidation. With a view to retaining sites for future building operations we decided not to grant Leases of any houses in Bredin Street.

We recommend you to grant Leases to the following of property on Newfoundwell Road :-

Leases recommended

P. Winters — Patrick Winters, Newfoundwell Road.

5 thatched Cottages, in occupation of Mrs. Casey, Repo. N. Winters, Peter McDonnell, Matthr. Coogan and Geo. Reilly, term 31 years from 29th September last at yearly rent of £5.

Mary Deevey — Mary Deevey.

1 Thatched Cottage for a term of 31 years at yearly rent of £1.

John Walsh — John Walsh.

Lease for a term of 31 years at yearly rent of £1-1/-.

Mrs. Whitehead — Mrs. Whitehead.

House occupied by Patrick McCann. Lease for 31 years at yearly rent of £1.

All the above Tenants to carry out repairs to the satisfaction of the

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the Borough Surveyor.

The remaining Tenants on the Newfoundwell Road would not take out Leases and we recommend you to agree to the following lettings :-

Mrs. Barnes yearly Tenancy

Mrs. Barnes; yearly tenancy at £1 per year, the tenant to be responsible for all repairs and rates.

Mrs. Moonan and Miss Monaghan, weekly tenancies at 3/6 and 3/- per week respectively, these rents to include rates.

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With regard to the houses in Bredin Street we have agreed to grant yearly tenancies to Mrs. Mulqueen and Mrs. E. Mathews at a rent of £1 per annum each, the tenants in both cases to put their premises into a thorough state of repair to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor.

The remaining houses in Bredin St. are let as weekly tenancies at same rents as paid to the former Landlord.

Upon his application we have agreed to assent to the sub-letting by Mr. John Fogarty to Mr. Edward Hand of one of the new houses on W. S. Shop Street for a term of 50 years.

We granted permission to the Borough Surveyor to attend the Road Machinery Exhibition in London and directed him to arrange for the purchase of a Tar Boiler and Sprayer.

Tar Boiler

Mr. Burke reported that he had arranged with Messrs. Fleming + Co. Glasgow. for the purchase of a 220 gallon Tar Boiler and Sprayer at a cost of £127 f.o.b. Drogheda for delivery and payment next April. We accordingly recommend you to agree to this transaction and to include the cost of same in coming years Late Estimates.

Dated 2nd. January 1924.

P. MacCana. Chairman.

The following Report of the Housing Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have now let the 16 houses erected in Thomas St. under the 1922 Housing Scheme to the following Tenants in accordance with the Tenant Purchase Scheme adopted by you :-

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Selection of Tenants

Joseph M. Mullen. C. F. Bellew. Francis A. Evers. Thomas Fallon. Bridget Carolan, Michael Connor, Joseph Connor, Joseph McDonnell, Mrs. Marianna Wall, Peter Boland, S. McBennett, A. S. Finegan, D. McAuley, Samuel Henry, John Kelroy and John Commons.

All the above Tenants have paid the Cash Deposit of £10.

Dated 2nd January 1924.

J. E. Murphy.

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The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor McCabe.

A Report of the Gas Works Committee recommending an additional Lamp at St. Peters Protestant Church and Sandyford Abbey was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor P. Carroll.

A Report of Market Inspector upon prosecutions brought at District Court for breaches of the Market Bye-Laws was read.

Circular Letter from Ministry of Local Govt. relative to Economy in General Administration was read and referred to the Law + Finance Committee.

Letter from Local Govt. Dept. relating to providing employment for demobilised soldiers was read.

Ordered that the forms be filled up and forwarded to the Employment Exchange.

Circular letter from Ministry of Local Govt. in reference to Child Welfare Services was read and referred to the Law + Finance Committee.

Application from I. T. + G. W. Union for holiday for Workmen in lieu of the Holiday of Feast of the Epiphany which fell upon a Sunday was read.

No order made.

Upon the motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Councillor McCabe a vote of Condolence was ~~passed~~ unanimously passed upon the death of the late Patrick Gorman, Peter Street, Drogheda.

Letter from Mrs. A. Murphy, Hill of Rath, thanking the Council for vote of Condolence ~~x~~ upon the death of her husband, the late Mr. N. J. Murphy.

The following Leases were this day sealed unto:

Leases sealed J. J. Callan.

1. John J. Callan, West Street, of premises on the N. S. West St., term 50 years from 25th March 1922 at the yearly rent of £30, covenants to carry out within one year the repairs and alterations as per plan and specification together with Schedule of repairs endorsed upon Lease, and to insure in the sum of £1000.

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Mrs. A. Gough
Thos Molloy.

(2) Mrs. Annie Gough, Trinity St. premises on the n.s. Trinity St. term 31 years from 25th March 1923 at yearly rent of £10 covenants to carry out within one year the repairs as per schedule upon Lease, and to insure in the sum of £850.

(3) Thomas Molloy, Boyne Terrace, Ishord Road, house and premises in Strand Road, term 31 years from 25th March 1923, yearly rent £20, covenants to carry out within one year the repairs as per Schedule upon Lease, and to insure in the sum of £600.

I. Silverman.

(4) Israel Silverman, Fair Street, premises on n.s. Fair Street and w.s. Magdalene Street, term 31 years from 25th March 1923, yearly rent £20, covenants to carry out repairs and alterations as endorsed upon Lease, and to insure in the sum of £600.

Leases executed

J.B. Mc Kittrick.

(5) Joseph B. Mc Kittrick, of seven dwellinghouses on northside of Strand Road, term 31 years from 25th March 1923, yearly rent £5, covenants to put the premises into a thorough state of repair, and to insure in the sum of £500.

R. B. Davis.

(6) Richard B. Davis, premises w.s. North Road, term 31 years from 25th March 1924, yearly rent £16, covenants to carry out within 1 year the improvements and alterations as per plan and specification submitted, and to insure in the sum of £800.

P. Carroll.

(7) Peter Carroll, North Road, of Dwellinghouse and Land containing 6 aers. 2 rds. 36 per. (Statute measure) on w.s. North Road, term 50 years from 25th March 1924 yearly rent £20, covenants to expend within one year not less than £625 upon improvements and alterations as per plan and specification submitted and to insure in the sum of £800.

Agreements with Thomas L. Mc Gee, P. Murphy Ltd, and John J. Murphy, all of West Street, for the erection of Petrol Feed Pumps were this date day executed.

Petrol Feed Pumps

An agreement with the B.B & D. Breweries, Co. Ltd, for permission to erection Poles by the Company to carry an Electric Cable was also executed.

B.B. & D. Breweries Agreement for erection of Poles for Electric Cable

Seamus E. O'Murchadha

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February 5th.

Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 5th day of February 1924. at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair :- Alderman J.E. Murphy.

Councillors :- P. Carroll, T. Carroll, R. Webster, J. Davis, R. Murdock, D. Reddan, J.J. Callan, T. McCabe, P. McCann.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments Passed :— Borough Fund : £896:11:4

Public Library: £38:10:11

Law & Finance Committee Report

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. Mc Cann seconded by Councillor J. Davis:-

Gentlemen,

Sub-letting premises H. Moas.

Upon his application we have agreed to permit Mr. Henry Moas to sub-let the House and yard in Scarlet Street held under Lease No. 1438.

Mrs. M. Fogarty

We have also agreed to the sub-letting by Mrs. Margaret Fogarty to Mr. Owen Kierans of portion of premises West Street, Lease No. 1241.

Mc Donald to Mc Elearney

We have agreed to assent to the Assignment of Lease No. 1346 from Mrs. Mary Mc Donald to Mr. John Mc Elearney, Mell, Drogheda, of premises, Hungry Hall Road.

We have had under consideration the question of enforcing a Public Health Act Notice for repairs to Houses on North Strand and Ishord Road held under Lease by the Reps. Woodroofe. In view of the difficulty of enforcing such an Order and obtaining costs against the Landlord we recommend that a Surrender of the Lease of these premises be accepted and the house taken over by the Corporation. The Lease will expire in September next.

Dated 21st January 1924.

P. Macbana.
Chairman.

Notice of Audit

Letter from Mr. Sean T. Healy, L.G. Auditor intimating commencement of Audit of Accounts for financial years ending 31st March 1922 & 1923.

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A Memorial from the residents West Street and Old Abbey Lane complaining of condition of Old Abbey Lane was referred to the Borough Surveyor to report upon.

Association of Municipal Authorities
Amendments in Municipal Law

A list of Queries from the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland in reference to amendments in Municipal Law was submitted.

It was decided to obtain extra copies of the Report of the proceedings of the Conference and to send a copy of the Queries and Report to each Member, the same to be considered at next meeting of Council.

Motor Cars
Speed limit

Letter from Ministry of Local Govt. Dept. intimating that an application to have a Speed Limit fixed under Section 7 (4) of the Roads Act, 1920, should be made by the Louth ~~Council~~ County Council who are the Local Authority for the purpose.

It was agreed to ask the Louth County Council to make application to fix a speed limit of 8 miles per hour for Motor Vehicles passing through the Borough of Drogheda.

L. G. Sanction to Mrs. Gogarty's Lease

Read, letter from Ministry of Local Govt. Dept. sanctioning the proposal to grant Mrs. Gogarty a Lease of premises in Trinity Street; but subject to the understanding that the construction of the 3 houses will be carried out by Mrs. Gogarty at her own expense without seeking any building subsidy.

It was decided to refer the matter to the Law & Finance Committee for further consideration.

Cahill v Corporation
Linenhall premises

Letter read from Law Agent intimating that the action – Cahill & Co. v Drogheda Corporation – came on for hearing before the Master of the Rolls, and that he dismissed the originating summons with costs against the Plaintiffs.

The same was considered satisfactory.

Circular letter from Ministry of Local Govt. in reference to the distribution of the Estate Duty Grant 1922/23, was read.

Letter from Mr. Jas Gorman, Peter St. thanking the Council for vote of Condolence upon the death of his father, the late Patrick Gorman.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 4th day of March, 1924, at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman :- B.E. Allen
Councillors :- F. Bateson, T. Carroll, P. Carroll, P. McCann, J. Davis, R. Murdock, D. Keddan, R. Webster, J.J. Callan, T. McCabe.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed:— Borough Fund £5.093 : 10 : 6
Public Library £ 34 : 11 : 4
Artizans Dwellings Loans a/c £1.348 : 11 : 4

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Allen:-

Law & Finance Committee Report.
Re Lease to John Walsh

"Gentlemen,

In our Report dated 2nd January last, we recommended a Lease to Mr. John Walshe of house and garden, Newfoundwell, at a rent of £1 : 10/- per annum. In surveying Mr. Walshe's premises it was found that the garden was not attached to the house but some distance from it, and adjoining the gardens of the houses in Bredin Street. We considered that it would not be advisable to include the garden in the Lease, and we now ask you to amend the former recommendation, and, instead, grant Mr. Walsh a Lease of the house at one pound (£1) per annum, and make a weekly letting of the garden at a rent of 10/- per year.

We have received a communication from Messrs. MacDonagh & Boland, Income Tax Recovery Agents, Dublin, intimating that a reduction of £924-10-8 has been effected on the Income Tax Schedule A of the Corporation property for the years 1919 to 1923.

We have agreed to grant permission to the Post Office Telegraph Department to the placing of an overground Telegraphic Line in Scarlet Street and Hardman's garden.

Post Office
Re telegraphic Line

Dated 25th February 1924.

P. MacCana. Chairman."

The Borough Surveyor reported that the nuisance complained of in Old Abbey by the inhabitants is being abated.

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The queries of the Association of Municipal Authorities in reference to suggestions for amendments in Municipal Law were considered and the queries agreed to and suggestions made to be sent to the Association for consideration at next Conference.

Letter from Ministry of Local Government, Roads Department, intimating that a grant of £2,900 has been provisionally allocated to the Council for the improvement of Trunk Roads, read.

Government Road Grant

A Report of the Borough Surveyor submitting a scheme for the re-surfacing of the Dublin-Belfast Trunk Road from Borough Boundary at Black Bull to Boundary at North Road with Diorite Stone from Barlingford and the surface painting with Spray-Mex, amounting in all to £3,683 was read.

His Worship the Mayor moved and Alderman Allen seconded the acceptance of the Grant upon the conditions contained in the letter of the Ministry, and that the Scheme submitted by the Borough Surveyor be approved.

The Motion was put and passed unanimously.

Letter from Ministry of Industry & Commerce enclosing copy of Gas Charges Order fixing maximum price of Gas at 20 pence per therm being equivalent to 7/6 per 1000 c.ft. at Calorific value of 450 B.T.U; and for Gas supplied through a prepayment Meter an extra maximum rate of one decimal two pence per therm, being equivalent to 5d per 1000 c.ft., read.

Maximum price of Gas

Ordered to refer the matter to the Gas Works Committee

Read Letters from Ministry of Local Government:-
(1) Enclosing Copy Order of "The Local Offices & Employments Order, 1924, and
(2) Copy Order under Local Elections Postponement Acts, 1922 & 1923.
No Order made.

Resolution from Cork Rural District Council condemning the action of the Government in reducing the pension of Old Age Pensioners, read.

Res

No order made.

The following Resolution from the Louth County Council was read, and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor McEvoy.
"Resolved,-that we request the Minister of Local Government to hold an Enquiry into the administration of Richmond Lunatic Asylum, in view of the fact that whereas the demands of other Asylums are reduced for the year 1924-25, the demand of Richmond Asylum on County Louth has been increased.

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That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister, to the local T.Ds., to the Asylum Board, and to all the Public Boards in Louth".

The Local Government Auditor's Report upon the Accounts of the Corporation for financial years ending 31st March 1922 & 1923, together with Report of the Gas Works Department for year ending March 1923, were read.

Auditors Report

Ordered that the Accounts be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Council.

Leases sealed:-

The following Leases & Memorials for Registration of same were this day sealed unto:-

James McDonough

(1) James McDonough, Shop Street, of House & premises situate at corner of Shop Street and Laurence Street for a term of 50 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £15 covenants to carry out the repairs and alterations as per Schedule inserted on Lease within a period of 1 year, and to insure in the sum of £400.

James Berrill

(2) James Berrill, Laurence St., of House and premises s.s. Laurence Street for a term of 50 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £20 covenants to expend within 1 year the sum of at least £300 as set out in plan and specification submitted, and to insure in the sum of £1,000.

Leases
P. Callan

(3) Mr. Patrick Callan, of dwellinghouse & premises in Francis St. for a term of 50 years from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £3. covenants to expend within one year a sum of not less than £250 in accordance with plan & specification submitted, and to insure in the sum of £500.

Patrick Winters

(4) Patrick Winters, Newfoundwell, of 5 Dwellinghouses on the East side Newfoundwell Road, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1923 at yearly rent of £5 covenants to put said premises into a thorough state of repair within one year, and to insure in the sum of £500.

Mrs. E. Whitehead.

(5) Mrs. Elizabeth Whitehead, Ghord Road, of house & premises situate on East side Newfoundwell Road, for a term of 31 years from 29th September 1923 at yearly rent of £1, and to insure in the sum of £100.

Mary Deevey

(6) Miss Mary Deevey, Newfoundwell Road, of house & premises East side Newfoundwell Road for a term of 31 years from 29th September 1923 at yearly rent of £1 and to insure in the sum of £100.

Mary E. Drew.

(7) Mrs. Mary E. Drew, West St., of House & premises situate on s.s. West St. for a term of 31 years from 29th September 1923 at yearly rent of £26, covenants to expend within 1 year a sum of not less than £400 as set out in plan & specification submitted, and to insure in the sum of £800.

Mary E. Drew.
Surrender of Lease

(8) A Deed of Surrender from Mrs. Mary E. Drew of Lease of premises s.o.

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West Street dated 7th December 1898. Lease No. 1282.

(9) ex Memorial for Registration of Lease unto Mr. Henry Moss of premises, Scarlet Street and Thomas Street.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Wednesday the 19th day of March 1924 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

To discuss the question of obtaining road material in Drogheda District instead of Carlingford in connection with proposed Government Grant of £2.900.

Present:-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. McCann.
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. T. Carroll. F. Bateson. R. Webster. R. Murdock. L.J. Elcock. J.J. Callan. D. Reddan. T. McCabe.

The Notice convening the Meeting was read.

Deputation of Drogheda Unemployed re Road Grant

Letter from M. Connor, Drogheda Workers Council asking for a deputation of the Unemployed to be heard. read.

It was agreed to hear the views of the deputation.

Mr. M. Mullen on behalf of the Unemployed urged that the road material for the work on the roads under the proposed Government Grant should be obtained in the District instead of Carlingford so as to provide more employment locally.

After a lengthy discussion Councillor McCabe proposed and Councillor Elcock seconded – "That an amended scheme be forwarded to the Local Government Department specifying suitable local stone."

The motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 1st day of April 1924 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair:- Councillor P. McCann.

Councillors:- P. Carroll, T. Carroll, R. Webster, T.V. McQuillan, D. Reddan, T. McCabe, L.J. Elcock, J. Davis, R. Murdock, J.J. Callan, P. McNamara.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed:— Borough Fund £1109:10:4
Public Library £16:11:1

L. & F. Committee

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Gentlemen.

We have had under consideration the granting of Leases to the following Tenants their Leases having expired on the 29th September last, and having carefully considered each case upon its merit recommend you to grant Leases as from the 29th September last as follows:-

Lease recommended:-

L. J. Carpenter.

Mr. Laurence J. Carpenter. 3 Slated and 2 Thatched Houses n.s. Trinity Street.

Lease for 75 years at yearly rent of £3, covenant to build within 2 years two new 2 storied Slated houses as per plan and specification on site of Thatched houses; and to carry out the repairs and alterations to the 3 Slated houses as per Specification submitted and approved.

J. Murray.

Mr. James Murray, House & yard. Trinity Street.

Lease for 31 years at yearly rent of £10. covenant to expend within 12 months a sum of not less than £150 upon repairs as per specification submitted and approved.

T. Flanagan.

Mr. Thomas Flanagan. Licensed house & yard. Trinity Street.

Lease for 31 years at yearly rent of £10. covenant to expend with 12 months the sum of not less than £150 upon repairs as per specification submitted and approved.

Mrs. Fogarty.

Mrs. Margaret Fogarty. West St. 3 Weekly tenements n.s. Trinity Street.

Lease for 31 years at yearly rent of £9. covenants to expend within 12 months the sum of at least £150 upon repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor.

A. McCormack.

Mrs. A. McCormack. Licensed house & yard. Trinity Street.

Lease for 50 years at yearly rent of £24. covenants to expend within 12 months the sum of not less than £500 in carrying out alterations & improvements as per plan and

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specification submitted. In addition to the expenditure about to be incurred by Mrs. McCormack she had recently expended a sum of £400 upon extensive repairs to her premises, and in fixing the rent we made an allowance in respect of this expenditure.

E. Thorpe

Mrs. Ethel Thorpe. Dwellinghouse. Trinity Street.

Lease for 31 years at yearly rent of £7. covenants to carry out within 12 months the repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor.

Simon F. Jordan

Mr. Simon F. Jordan. 2 two-storied Slated Houses w.s. Georges St. let to weekly tenants: together with shed and yarden at rere of the 2 houses in occupation of Mr. Jordan.

Lease for 31 years at yearly rent of £10, covenants to carry out within 12 months the repairs and alterations as specified by the Borough Surveyor.

James Nulty

Mr. James Nulty, West St. yard & Stables at entrance Fair Green.

At Council meeting held on 18th May 1920, upon a report of the Bye-Laws & Markets Committee, it was decided to grant Mr. Nulty a Lease for 31 years from the 29th September 1923 at a rent of £2 per year in consideration of Mr. Nulty granting permission to take down portion of his premises to widen the entrance to the Fair Green.

Miss A. Greene
Thos. McCullough

Miss Ethice Greene. Fair Street. & Mr. Thomas McCullough. George's St. yard and Stabling w.s. George's Street.

Lease for 27½ years at yearly rent of £6 each.

Miss Greene to get Lease of portion of yard from Entrance gate at Georges St. up to the end of Slated Buildings; together with the portion of Casey's yarden in line with her boundary.

Mr. McCullough to get Lease of upper portion of yard from the Slated Buildings together with portion of Casey's yarden in line with his boundary, with a right-of-way through the portion of yard proposed to be Leased to Miss Greene.

The reason for granting the term of Lease for 27½ years is to insure that the Lease of the yard will expire simultaneously with the Lease of Mr. McCullough's Licensed premises, as we are of opinion the the reversionary value in the Lease of the Licensed premises will be considerably enhanced with the addition of the yard and Stabling.

It is also proposed to take into the Fair Green a small portion of the upper end of the yard.

Henry O'Connor.

Mr. Henry O'Connor. Licensed house and yard with 3 Thatched cabins w.s. George's Street.

Lease for 50 years at yearly rent of £30 covenants to expend within 12 months a sum of not less than £450 upon repairs and alterations, and to put the 3 Thatched House into a thorough state of repair to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor.

John Casey
Yearly Tenancy.

John Casey, small 2 storied Slated house, w.s. George's Street.

yearly tenancy at £1 per year. the Tenant to put the premises into a thorough state of repair to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor and to be responsible for all future repairs and payment of rates. Mr. Casey declined to take out a Lease.

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P. Mc Cann. Re Lease

Mr. Peter Mc Cann, Fair Street having declined to take out a Lease of a small two storied slated houses w.s. Georges Street we have taken over these houses and let them as weekly tenancies to the Tenants in occupation at rents of 3/4 and 3/- per week respectively.

Having failed to arrive at an agreement with Mr. T. V. McQuillan for a Lease of his Licensed premises at corner of Trinity St. and Georges St. we submit this case for your directions and instructions. The facts are as follows:-

Re Lease to T. V. Mc Quillan

Mr. McQuillan submitted plans and specification for alterations and improvements to his premises involving an expenditure of £800. We asked Mr. J. P. O'Brien to submit a Valuation of these premises and Mr. O'Brien estimates the rent, after allowing for deductions, at £40 per annum. We offered Mr. McQuillan a Lease for a term of 50 years at £40 per year conditional upon his carrying out the alterations & repairs as per plan and specification submitted. Mr. McQuillan declined to accept this offer and stated he would not carry out the alterations and repairs proposed by him. We then instructed the Borough Surveyor to prepare a specification ~~to~~ of the repairs necessary for the proper maintenance of the premises and the Borough Surveyor estimated a sum of £185. We next offered Mr. McQuillan a lease for a term of 31 years at the yearly rent of £40 and to carry out the repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor. Mr. McQuillan also declined to agree to this proposal.

In order to finally dispose of the matter we offered Mr. McQuillan a Lease for 50 years at a rent of £30 per annum and to carry out the alterations and repairs as per plan and specification submitted by him, being a reduction of £10 per year upon our first offer. Mr McQuillan replied that he would accept a Lease for 31 years at £30 per year and carry out the repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor.

The only terms we can recommend~~s~~ you to grant Mr. McQuillan a Lease upon is (a) a term of 50 years at a rent of £30 with an expenditure £800: or (b) a term of 31 years at a rent of £60 with an expenditure of not less than £185 as specified by the Borough Surveyor.

We also wish to point out that we were willing to include in the Lease a small weekly tenement adjoining Mr. McQuillan's premises in Trinity Street let at a rent of 3/6 per week.

Re Sale to Christian Brothers

We have been in negotiation with the Christian Brothers Community for the Sale of their Garden containing 3 rds. 18 perches Statute measure the present yearly rent of which is £4:7:10. Portion of the premises is held under a yearly tenancy, and included in this part is their burial ground, and the remaining part under a Lease which will expire in March 1926.

In view of the fact that the adjoining premises are held in fee simple by the Brothers and as they contemplate extending their School buildings we recommend a

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Purchase of Chairs for Mayoralty House

sale for the sum of £100 which we consider is the Fair Value of the holding.

The consent of the Local Government Department must be obtained to the sale.

Complaints having being made as to the inadequacy of the seating accommodation in the Mayoralty House we agreed to purchase 100 chairs. We obtained samples and quotations for same and accepted the Tender of Messrs. Brady & Sons, West St. at 7/3 per chair the chairs being made at Messrs. Aylesbury, Navan.

Re Mrs. Clarkes Land. Bryanstown

Mr. Joseph Clarke, Dublin, who was bequeathed the House and Land at Bryanstown under the Will of the Late Mrs. Margaret Clarke served a Notice for hearing before the Judicial Commissioner for a Declaration that the holding is one to which the 1923 Land Act applies. Having considered the matter carefully we are unanimously of Opinion that the holding is a residential one and should be excluded under the 1923 Land Act, and we instructed the Law Agent to oppose the application. The case came on for hearing before Mr. Justice Wylie on the 25th inst. when Judgement was reserved.

Dated 27th March 1924.

P. MacLaus. Chairman.

Councillor Mc Cann proposed and Councillor Davis seconded the adoption of the Report.

Councillor J.J. Callan proposed as an amendment, Councillor Elcock seconding- "That the paragraph in the Report dealing with Mr. T. V. McQuillan's premises be deleted."

On a division there voted :-

For the amendment	Against the amendment.
Councillors :- L.J. Elcock, J.J. Callan. T. Carroll & P. McNamara. (4)	Councillors :- D. Reddan, P. McCann, J. Davis, P. Carroll, R. Webster, T. McCabe, R. Murdock (7)

Councillor T. V. McQuillan declined to vote.

The amendment was declared lost by 4 votes to 4 and the motion for the adoption of the Report was then put and declared carried by the same voting.

Letter from Law Agent intimating that in the Land Act case of Clarke v Corporation the Judge delivered his decision in favour of the Corporation deciding that the holding did not come within the Land Act 1923. and dismissed the Tenants' Application.

The same was considered satisfactory.

The Report of the Local Government Auditor together with the Abstract of Accounts for the financial years ~~ending~~ ended 31st March 1922 & 1923 were submitted, and their adoption proposed on the motion of Councillor Murdock seconded by Councillor P. Carroll.

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Letter from Local Government Department enclosing copy of County Louth Union Amalgamation Scheme, read.

No order made.

A letter from the Local Government Department relating to consecutive numbering of houses in Streets was referred to the Housing Committee.

Letter from Local Government Department relative to the raising of a 1d. rate under section 16 of the Local Government (Temporary Provisions) Act 1923, for instruction in the Irish Language was referred to the Law & Finance Committee and Technical Instruction Committee.

Letter from Ministry of Local Government Department sanctioning the scheme for the improvement of Dublin-Belfast Trunk Road under the Trunk Road Grant, read.

Report of Borough Surveyor intimating that the Chief Engineer, Local Government Department had approved of the Mellifont or similar stone instead of Carlingford Diorite for re-surfacing of Trunk Road under the Trunk Road Grant, read.

Communication

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Friday the 11th April 1924 at 8 o'clock p.m.

To consider Report of Water Works Committee recommending the carrying out of certain work involving an expenditure of £8000, and to take such action in connection therewith as may be deemed advisable.

Present :-

In the Chair :- Councillor Luke J. Elcock.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. P. McCann. Jno. J. Callan. T. McCabe.
J. Davis.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Report of Water Works Committe

The following Report of the Water Works Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

For sometime past Consumers on the higher levels of the Town have made repeated complaints that the Water Supply to their premises was inadequate. These complaints reached us when the Reservoirs were full.

We cause enquiries to be made and the Water Works Superintendent reported that the demand on the 12" Trunk was so great that the consumers on the higher levels could not get a continuous supply and recommended the laying of a Trunk Main. In consequence of this Report we decided to employ the services of Mr. P. St. McCarthy, B.E. to report upon the matter, and we attach his report herewith.

Having carefully considered Mr. McCarthy's report we unanimously recommend you to carry out the following work suggested in the Report involving an expenditure of £8000, viz:-

Water Works Improvement Scheme

2967 yards 12 inch cast iron main laid complete from Hazehall to West St with Valves. etc.	£5,000.	
500 yards 6 inch B.I. pipe from Kiscorry Stream to Killincer Reservoir	500.	
966 yards 6 inch Stoneware pipe to intercept Rivinstown Stream	500	
1150 yards 6 inch B.I. pipe in Patrick St. and Scarlet Street	1250.	
	£7250	
Contingencies, wayleaves, fees, compensation, etc.	750	
	£8000	

In our opinion the carrying out of this work is most essential as it will provide an additional supply by the taking in of the Streams and cause the Reservoirs to maintain a higher level in the Summer

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and possibly prevent an intermittent supply during the Summer months. In addition the laying of the 2 new Mains will provide a sufficient pressure to give a continuous supply to the consumers of the higher levels.

If you adopt our recommendation it will be necessary to raise a Loan for the purpose, and the consent of the Ministry of Local Government must be obtained.

We also recommend that the work be carried out by direct labour under the supervision of Mr. P. Lennon, Water Works Superintendent.

We would also point out that the carrying out of this work will give much needed employment and help to relieve to some extent the present prevailing unemployment in the Town.

Dated 4th April 1924.

Luke J. Elcock. Chairman.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Elcock seconded by Councillor Mc Cabe.

The Report of Mr. P. H. Mc Carthy, B.E. was also submitted.

Re Loan of £8000

Ordered that the Town Clerk do apply to the Bank of Ireland for the borrowing of a Loan of £8000 and to take the necessary steps to obtain the sanction of the Ministry of Local Government to the borrowing of the Loan for the purpose of carrying out the work set out in the Report of the Water Works Committee

Communication

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May 6th.

Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 6th day of May 1924 at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Councillors :- P. Carroll, T. Carroll, P. Mc Cann, J. Davis, R. Webster, D. Reddan, Luke J. Elcock, T. Mc Cabe, Jno. J. Callan.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
Minutes of the last Meeting read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments Passed :— Borough Fund: £2526:-:10
Public Library: £ 24:18:6

The following report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Rate Estimates

"Gentlemen,

We beg to submit the Rate Estimates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1925, and recommend you to strike a total consolidated Rate of 10/- in the £ being an increase of 8d. in the £ over last year.

The Demand of the County Council is increased by £566, representing an increased rate of 5d. in the £. The total Rate to meet the Demand of the County Council is 5/4 in the £, which is equal to the total pre-war Borough Rate & Poor Rate.

Law & Finance Committee Report.

The operation of the Land Act, 1923, has materially affected the Income from your Agricultural Estate, reducing it by one-fourth. The reduction in rent under the Land Act for last year was £370 and for the coming year £575, a total of £945, representing a rate of 8½d in the £.

We have included in the Estimates a sum of £550 as a Contribution from the Gas Works Department in relief of rates which represents a rate of 5d. in the £.

Child Welfare Scheme.

The Rate to meet the expenses under this Scheme is the same as last year — 1d. in the £ — but owing to the services of only one Nurse being employed we recommend you to reduce the Contribution to the Drogheda & District Nursing Association to £60, and the balance of £50 to be reserved for the distribution of free ½ milk in necessitious cases.

The Borough Surveyor's Estimate shows a reduction of £100 on last year's Estimate. To meet the demands of the M.S.O.H. for more Domestic Scavenging the item under this head has been increased.

We have arranged with the Gas Works Department for a fixed price per lamp for Public Lighting including maintenance and repairs. The charge agreed upon for half-night lamps is £3 each, and we have accordingly estimated for the number of lamps as lighted during the past season

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Re Reduction in Employees Wages

In accordance with the circular from the Local Government Department upon Economy in General Administration we had under consideration for some time past the question of a reduction in the wages of all our Employees, and we had a conference with themen's representatives upon the subject. We decided to adjourn the matter until we had the Rate Estimates under review. In considering the matter of a reduction in wages we took into consideration the stability of employment and other advantages obtained through Service under a Local Authority, and by reference to the rate of wages payable ~~to~~ by private employers in the Town. We find that the average wages paid in the town is 47/- per week.

Having regard to all the circumstances we recommend you to reduce the employees' wages by 5/- per week, to come into operation as from the week beginning 3rd June next.

For your consideration we append a copy of a Report of the Town Clerk upon the rents of your New Cottages"

A Letter from the Irish Transport and the Amalgamated Transport Unions in reference to the reduction in the wages of the Employees was read.

Councillor Mc Bann proposed and Councillor Davis seconded the adoption of the Report.

Councillor Mc Cabe moved as an amendment, Councillor L. Carroll seconding - that the paragraph in the report recommending a reduction of 5/- per week in the wages of the Employees be deleted.

On a division there voted :-

For the Amendment.	Against the Amendment.
Councillors :- L. Mc Cabe & L. Carroll (2).	His Worship the Mayor.
	Councillors :- Reddan, Mc Bann, Davis, Elcock.
	P. Carroll, Webster & Callan. (8).

The amendment was declared lost by 8 votes to 2, and the adoption of the report was declared carried by the same voting.

The Annual Report of the Car Inspector intimating that there are 19 licensed Vehicles plying for hire and recommending that the Licences be renewed for this year was read and adopted.

Transfer of Tenancy Fallon to Hoey

A Report of the Housing Committee recommending the transfer of the tenancy in No. 20 Thomas Street Cottages from Thomas Fallon to Vincent Hoey was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mc Cabe seconded by Councillor Elcock.

Report of Borough Surveyor read intimating that the Local Government Department had forwarded him 5 sets of plans under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act 1924: that the work

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under the Road Grant had commenced last week, 24 extra men and 10 carters being employed: that the Stone-Crusher was broken on Thursday the 1st inst. but he had it repaired and resumed work.

No order made.

Memorial executed.

A Memorial to the Local Government Department praying for Sanction to a Sale to the Christian Brothers of premises East side of St. Peters Place and southside Magdalene Street was executed.

Arrears of Rates

The Rate Collectors lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates for the half-year ended 31st March 1924 amounting to £554 : 14 : 4 were approved on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Webster

Mr. J. J. Burke "Appointed Officer"

Letter from Ministry of Local Government (Housing Department) intimating that it was proposed to nominate Mr. J. J. Burke an "appointed officer" in connection with the erection of new houses under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act, 1924, read

Agreed to accede to the acceptance of the appointment of Mr. Burke.

Housing Act

Letter from Ministry of Local Government (Housing Department) enclosing copy of Housing (Building Facilities) Act 1924, and urging that immediate consideration be given to the matter in order to stimulate private enterprise in the building of new houses, read.

It was agreed to refer the matter to a Joint Committee of the Law & Finance ~~Committee~~ and Housing Committees to consider the preparation of a Scheme under the Act.

Letter from Tourist Organization Society requesting the Striking of a 1d. rate for development of Tourist traffic, read.

No order made.

Resolution.

Upon the motion of Councillor Mc Cabe seconded by Councillor Mc Bann it was unanimously resolved :-

" That the Governor & Company of the Bank of Ireland be and they are hereby Requested to open a current account at their Drogheda Branch styled the Corporation of Drogheda Rate Collectors Account to credit of which the rate collector will be instructed to lodge all moneys collected by him in respect of rates and that the said Governor and Company be and they are hereby authorized to honour cheques drawn by the Rate Collector for the time being on such account provided such cheques are payable to the Borough Fund of the Corporation or to the Water Works Revenue Account of the Corporation or are lodged to credit of one or other of the said accounts but that the said Governor & Company be and they are hereby instructed not to honor any other classes of cheques drawn by the Rate Collector against the said account."

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Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor P. Carroll a vote of condolence was unanimously passed upon the death of the Rev. Fr. O'Flaherty, Dominican Convent, Drogheda.

condolence

Councillor T. Mc Cabe proposed, ~~and~~ Councillor D. Reddan seconding, a vote of condolence with the family of the late Miss Lily Curtis, Peter Street.

P MacEoin
Mayor

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Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 3rd day of June 1924 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present :-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. Mc Cann.
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. J. Davis. R. Webster. T. McCabe.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
Minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed
Payments passed:— Borough Fund £1431 : 19 : 10
Public Library a/c £ 9 : 8 : 4

Law & Finance Committe Report.

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read :-

"Gentlemen,

Leases
Mrs. C. Hughes.

Mrs. Catherine Hughes, North Road, has applied for a Lease of 3 small weekly Tenements in Trinity Street. These houses require to be put into thorough repair at once and Mrs. Hughes has undertaken to carry out this work. We therefore recommend you to grant Mrs. Hughes a Lease for a term of 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £3 covenant to expend within 12 months a sum of at least £140 upon repairs and alterations to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor.

P. Mc Cann

We have had under consideration an application from Mr. Peter Mc Cann. Fair St. for a Lease of 2 weekly Tenements in George's St. and one weekly Tenement in Trinity St. occupied by Miss Mc Cann. We recommend you to grant Mr. Mc Cann a Lease for a term of 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £12 covenants to put premises into a thorough state of repair within 12 months to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor.

Mrs. T. Boyle

The Lease of premises southside of Trinity St. comprising 2 Tenement Houses in occupation of Mrs. Teresa Boyle and Daniel O'Neill together with barn Stores and houses occupied by Mr. John Harmon expired on the 25th March last.

We recommend you to grant

(1) a Lease to Mrs. Teresa Boyle for a term of 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £9 covenant to expend within 12 months the sum of at least £10 upon improvements as specified by the Borough Surveyor.

John Harmon

(2) A Lease to Mr. John Harmon for a term of 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £23. covenant to expend within 12 months the sum of at least £210 upon alterations and improvements to his dwellinghouse as per plan submitted.

We recommend that the house occupied by Daniel O'Neill be let on a weekly

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weekly Tenancy at the same rent as paid to his former Landlord, viz. 5/- per week.

The Lease of 6 small Houses North Road also expired on the 25th March last and we have made weekly lettings to the Tenants in occupation at the same rents as paid to former Landlord.

Field let to D. Floyd.

We have agreed to let the vacant portion of field, Thomas St. to Mr. David Floyd at a rent of £2 per year subject to an Agreement being entered into that possession will be handed up within one week if required for building purposes

James Byrne yearly tenancy.

Upon his application we have agreed to grant Mr. James Byrne, North Road. a yearly Tenancy of 2 Thatched houses in his possession at a rent of £1 per year, subject to Mr. Byrne undertaking to carry out all necessary repairs and pay rates. Mr. Byrne held these premises on a weekly Tenancy at a rent of 2/8 per week.

We recommend you to accede to the Assignment of Lease No. 1255 of premises Platten Road from Mr. John Leland to Mr. Thomas Waters. Platten Road.

We received Tenders for Annual Supplies and recommend you to accept the following :-

Tenders Annual Supplies

House & Steam Coal . . .	Finegan Bros. Merchants Quay.
Smith Work	Jas. Cooney. Dominick St.
Horse Shoeing	Joseph McQuirk, Stockwell Lane.
Repairs to Harness	John Callan. West St.
Ironmongery	H. Harbinson & Sons, A. Murdock & Sons. Ltd. P. Murphy Ltd., the lowest in each item.

Re Lessees entering into Bond.

We recommend that in future where Lessees undertake to expend money on alterations or improvements to their premises involving an expenditure of £300 upwards that they be required to enter into a Bond with 2 Solvent Sureties for the performance of the work within the time stipulated in the Lease.

Dated 19th May 1924.

P. Macbana. Chairman.

The report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor McCann seconded by Councillor Davis.

Gas Works Committee Report

A Report of the Gas Works Committee recommending the erection of an all night Lamp at Junction of North Road and Windmill Lane: the payment of a sum of £550 towards relief of rates, and setting out particulars of price of Coke in other towns, was adopted on the motion of Councillor McCann seconded by Councillor Webster.

Report of Borough Surveyor upon work carried out in his Department during the last month was read.

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Upon the motion of Alderman B.E. Allen seconded by Councillor P. Carroll it was unanimously resolved:-

Rates: Striking of.

"That this Council do hereby make, strike and impose a Borough Rate of Fifty six pence in the pound on the owners, occupiers, or tenants of all hereditaments within the Borough rateable for the relief of the Poor upon the annual value thereof – that is to say, Thirty four pence in the Pound levied under the provisions of the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Acts, the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1896, and the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and the Acts amending or extending the same in order to raise the sum of £3781, being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses for Town purposes for the year ending the 31st March 1925: Seventeen pence in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and the Acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £1890, being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of the Water Supply for the year ending 31st March 1925. One penny in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (I) Act, 1878, and Acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £111:4:5 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses of the Child Welfare Scheme for the year ending 31st March 1925; Two pence in the pound for expenses under "The Public Libraries Acts 1855 to 1920" in order to raise the sum of £222:8:10 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses to be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said last mentioned Acts for the year ending 31st March 1925: Two pence in the pound for expenses under "The Technical Instruction Act, 1889"; and the Agriculture and Technical Instruction Act 1899." in order to raise the sum of £222:8:10 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said Acts for the year ending 31st March 1925."

"That the Rate Book and all the entries made therein be, and the same is hereby adopted as the Rate Book by the Council, and that the same be duly signed as such. and it is hereby ordered that the said rates shall be payable on and after the 3rd day of June. 1924."

"That the Council do hereby make, strike and impose, upon the occupiers of all property within the Borough a Poor Rate of Sixty four pence in the Pound upon the annual value of all such property under the Irish Poor Relief Acts, and the Local Government (Ireland) Acts, 1898-1902, in order to raise the sum of £7192:0:0 which has been estimated will meet, for the year ending 31st March 1925, the Demand of the County Council, and also the expenses of the Council, to be defrayed out of Poor Rate, under the last mentioned Acts and Acts amending and extending the same, and the same shall be payable on and after the 3rd day of June 1924."

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The various Rate Estimates having been submitted and formally approved, The Rate Book and Rate Collectors Warrant were duly executed and sealed.

Upon the motion of Alderman Allen seconded by Councillor Webster it was unanimously resolved :-

Resolution

"That the Bank of Ireland, Drogheda Branch, be and are, hereby authorized to open an account in the name of "The Corporation of Drogheda. Road Grant a/c." and that Mr. J.J. Keeley, Borough Treasurer, be authorized to draw cheques on same."

transfer of Vaccination Acts

Letter from Ministry of Local Government drawing attention to the transfer of the administration of the Vaccination (Ireland) Acts to Urban Districts where Board of Guardians is abolished by County Schemes, read.

Auditor appointed

Letter from Local Government Department notifying appointment of Mr. P. MacBernaird as Auditor as from the 1st proximo, read.

Letter read from Ministry of Local Government enclosing copy of an Order confirming a Scheme for the relief of the poor in Louth County.

Letter from Ministry of Local Government sanctioning the Rate Collectors lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates for year ending 31st March 1924 read

Letters from Rev. T.M. O'Neill, St. Magdalens, Drogheda and James J. Curtis, Peter St, thanking the Council for votes of condolence passed upon the deaths of Rev. Fr. O'Flaherty, and Miss Lily Curtis, read.

The following Supplemental Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read :-

Supplemental Report of Law & Finance Comtte.

Re Reduction in Workmens Wages.

"Gentlemen,

We beg to report that we have had further conferences with the mens representatives on the subject of the reduction in wages. In our previous Report we stated that the standard rate of wages paid generally by private employers in the Town was 47/- ; but we have since learned this figure is incorrect, and that the Standard Rate is 48/6.

As the result of a communication from the Secretaries of the Mens Union we held a Conference on the 23rd May last and offered to recommend you to make an all round reduction of 2/- per week this offer to be without prejudice to the right of the Council to

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to reduce the wages to the standard rate - 46/6 - if not accepted by the men, or alternatively to leave the matter to arbitration. The men refused to accept this offer and would not agree to arbitration, and intimated their intention to cease work on Wednesday the 4th instant.

We had a further Conference with the Union Delegates at our Meeting on yesterday when the Delegates asked for the postponement of the reduction until the 1st September next. We could not agree to this course, and again offered that the question of the reduction be referred to Arbitration and the Delegates undertook to put the matter before the men, and communicate their decision to the Council at the meeting to night.

The position therefore is that if Arbitration is not accepted the men go out on Strike in the morning.

Dated 2nd June 1924.

P. MacBana: Chairman.

The report was adopted on the motion of Councillor Mc Bann seconded by Councillor Davis, Councillor Mc Cabe dissenting.

Chairman

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Present :-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen. J.E. Murphy.
Councillors :- P. Mc Cann. T. Carroll. J. Davis. P. Carroll. R. Webster. D. Reddan. L.J. Elcock. J.J. Callan. T. Mc Cabe. T.D. Mc Quillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments — Payments passed _____ Borough Fund £838:16:4

L.G. Auditors Report on Abstracts March 1922+23.

The Report and Abstract of accounts of the Local Government Auditor upon his Audit of the Accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for the years ended 31st March 1922 + 1923 were read and adopted.

Law + Finance Committee Report.

The following report of the Law + Finance Committee was unanimously adopted on the Motion of Councillor P. Mc Cann seconded by Alderman Allen:-

"Gentlemen.

We have had under consideration an application of Mr. James Hughes. District Manager. New Ireland Assurance Society. for Lease of a vacant plot of ground on the east side of North Road. Mr. Hughes is anxious to take advantage of the Government Grant under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act. 1924. and has submitted a plan for the building of a 5-roomed dwellinghouse to be constructed in Concrete. and the plan has been approved by the Appointed Officer Mr. J.J. Burke.

Building site to James Hughes Lease recommended

We recommend that a Lease be granted to Mr. Hughes for a term of 200 years at the yearly rent of £1 subject to the House being erected in accordance with the plan and specification submitted. The consent of the Local Government Department must be obtained to the granting of this Lease.

Transfer of Interest in Lease of "Old Jail"

We have agreed to assent to transfer of interest in Lease of premises "Old Jail" Scarlet St. from the original Lessees Messrs. Charles M. Markey. Patrick Anderson and John J. Murphy. Tenants in common. to Mr. Charles M. Markey.

Re Strike of Employees

We have had a further conference with the mens representatives when they offered to accept a reduction of 1/- per week. We could not accept this offer as we consider there was no room for a further reduction on our previous offer of 2/- per week. We again offered to submit the matter to arbitration, but up to the present we have not heard anything further from the men.

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Dated 16th June 1924.

P. MacBana: Chairman.

Housing Committee Report

The Report of the Housing Committee recommending that the name of Sandyford Alley be changed to Sandyford Terrace was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Councillor T. Mc Cabe.

Gas Works Committee Report

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

Tenders

We beg to report that we have received the following Tenders for the Resetting of eight Fire Clay Retorts from charging floor level:-

No. 1.	Sugden & Co. Ltd. 10. East Parade, Leeds.	£198:10:0
2.	Simmis & Co. Stourbridge	£270:0:0
3.	R. Dempster & Sons. Ltd. Elland. Yorks.	£212:0:0
4.	Gibbons Bros. Ltd. Dudley. Worcs.	£222:0:0

Sugden & Co's Tender accepted

That of Messrs. Sugden & Co. Ltd. being the lowest we recommend you to accept their Tender.

The question of an Electric Installation has received close attention at several Meetings.

Loan

We recommend that the Gas Works Department get the necessary power to negotiate for a Loan of £9000 for the erection of a Vertical Retort Installation of latest Design as a means of making cheaper Gas and also supplying cheaper Power for an Electric Installation later, when a separate Loan be negotiated for that purpose.

Dated 26th June 1924.

P. MacBana: Chairman.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mc Cann seconded by Councillor Mc Cabe.

A list of Tenements requiring Revision of Valuation was submitted and approved.

Leases sealed:-

The following Leases and Memorials for Registration of same were this day sealed unto:-

Owen Kierans

(1) Owen Kierans of Boyne Terrace. Chord Road. Drogheda. of house and premises situate on the North side of North Strand for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £20. covenants to expend the sum of £70 upon improvements and to insure in the sum of £600.

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J. & M. O'Callaghan.

(2) John O'Callaghan and Marianne O'Callaghan, Shop Street, Drogheda. of house & premises situated on the east side of Shop St. for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £20. covenants to carry out within one year the repairs and alterations as set out in the schedule endorsed upon the Lease and to insure in the sum of £800.

Mrs. A. M. Tiernan

(3) Mrs. Anna M. Tiernan, Windmill Lane. Drogheda. of plot of ground containing 1rd. 19per. (statute measure) known as "The Avenue" leading from North Road to Windmill Lane for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £2.

Fee Farm Grants

Fee Farm grants for purchase of Houses on the east side of Sandyford Alley for 25½ years to redeem the sum of £381:10/- @ 5% per annum as per Schedule endorsed upon Deed were this day executed unto the following:-

(1) Michael Donnellon.
(2) Laurence Kelly.
(3). Herbert M. Harris.
(4) Hugh Byrne.
(5) David Blood.
(6) Joachim J. Casey.
(7) Vincent G. Dempsey.

Elections Postponed

Letter from Ministry of Local Government intimating extending the duration of the Local Elections Postponement edct. 1922. until a date later than the 30th September, 1924. read.

Resolution

The following resolution from the Drogheda Workers' Council read:-

"That we, the Drogheda Workers' Council, ask ye to have a clause inserted in your "Leases Improvements" that none but qualified Tradesmen, belonging to a Trade Union organization, be employed under aforesaid scheme or works."

Councillor Mc Cabe proposed and Alderman Murphy seconded that the Resolution be referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Circular letter from Department of Local Government & Public Health (Roads Department) enclosing a model form of scheme under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act. 1924. was referred to the Housing Committee.

Sanction to Sale to Christian Bros.

Letter from Ministry of Local Government sanctioning the sale to the Christian Brothers Community of Land with School Buildings thereon. read.

Letter from Ministry of Local Government intimating that the case of

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Drogheda will be fully considered if, and when, an unemployment grant becomes available, read.

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To consider the question of the letting of the Linenhall premises to Mr. John G. Murphy, Abbey Garage, for an Engineering Works.

Present :-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen. J.E. Murphy.
Councillors :- P. McCann. T. Carroll. J. Davis. P. Carroll. R. Webster. D. Reddan. L.J. Elcock. J.J. Callan. T. McCabe. T.V. McQuillan.

The notice convening the meeting was read.

Re applications for letting of Linenhall premises

Correspondence from Mr. John G. Murphy, Abbey Garage, applying for tenancy of Linenhall premises, and undertaking to arrange with Messrs. Cahill & Co. for a surrender of their Lease in the event of the Corporation making a letting to him, read.

Letter from Mr. Luke J. Elcock applying for tenancy of same premises, read.

It was pointed out that there was a likelihood of a Boot Factory being established in the Town and that some English Firms had been making enquiries as to suitable premises for this purpose.

After a lengthy discussion His Worship the Mayor proposed and Councillor Davis seconded — That consideration of Mr. Murphy's application be postponed until next meeting.

The motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 21st day of July 1924 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present :-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. Carroll.
Councillors :- J. Davis. R. Murdock. T. Carroll. L.J. Elcock. R. Webster. D. Reddan. T. McCabe. P.J. McNamara.

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

Law & Finance Committee Report

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

At the request of the Drogheda Workers' Council we held a further conference with 2 of their representatives to discuss the question of the settlement of the present dispute with your employees.

Re settlement of Employees Strike

After a lengthy discussion we made the following offer viz:- To accept a cut of 1/- per week at present and a further cut of 1/- per week as from the first pay day in January 1925. The men have accepted this offer, and we recommend you to agree to same.

Dated 15th July 1924.

P. MacCana. Chairman.

Read Telegram from Councillor McCann urging acceptance of terms.

Councillor McCabe proposed and Councillor T. Carroll seconded the adoption of the Report.

The same was put and declared carried unanimously.

The Borough Surveyor applied for and was granted permission to attend a Road Conference on Wednesday next.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 5th day of August 1924 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair :- Councillor T. McCabe.
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen. J.E. Murphy.
Councillors :- T. Carroll. R. Webster. J. Davis, L.J. Elcock. D. Reddan. J.J. Callan. P. McCann. T.V. McQuillan.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
Minutes of the last 3 Meetings were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed:— Borough Fund £531:1:6
Public Library a/c. 78:3:9

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The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Law & Finance Committee Report

"Gentlemen,

We have had considerable negotiations with Mr. Jas. E. Walshe, Trinity St. for Lease of the Licenced House, premises and yard in his occupation together with one small thatched weekly tenement house adjoining, the Lease of which expired on the 29th September last. Mr. Walshe submitted plans and specification for the carrying out of extensive alterations and improvements to his premises involving an expenditure of £1500. Having regard to the expenditure involved we recommend that Mr. Walshe be granted a Lease for a term of 50 years from the 29th September last at the yearly rent of £15, covenants to expend within 2 years the sum of at least £1500 upon improvements and alterations as per plan and specification submitted and to enter into a Bond with 2 Solvent Sureties for the due performance of the Covenants in the Lease.

Re Lease to Jas. E. Walshe

We have also had under consideration the terms of tenancy of the premises in George's St. occupied by the Drogheda Brass & Reed Band, the Lease of which expired on the 29th September last. Having regard to all the circumstances in connection with this Band we recommend a weekly tenancy of these premises at a rent of 1/- per week, the Committee of the Band to be responsible for payment of rates and carrying out of the necessary repairs to the premises.

Tenancy to Brass & Reed Band.

In October 1917 the Council agreed to sell to Mr. Geo. H. Pentland, Blackhall the fee simple interest in a plot of land containing 3 rds. 35 pers. (statute measure) being portion of the avenue leading to the house for the sum of £50. The then Local Government Board approved of the Sale. Owing to a dispute by the Bank of Ireland as to the disposal of the purchase money the Conveyance was not completed. Mr. Pentland now requests that the sale.

Sale of Plot of Land to Geo. H. Pentland

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Agreement with Messrs Galbraith Ltd Oatmeal Milling Co for overhead Electric Cable

sale of this plot be completed, and we recommend you to have the Conveyance executed on the terms already agreed upon.

Upon their application we have agreed to allow Messrs Galbraith Ltd. to take an overhead Electric Cable from the Oatmeal Milling Co's. premises, Constitution Hill, to the Bakery at Bessexwell Lane, upon payment of a wayleave rent of 1/- per annum, an agreement to be entered into for the taking down of the Electric Cable upon receiving 12 months notice in writing.

Re closing up of "Harper Lane"

The closing up of the old Roadway known as "Harper Lane" has been engaging our attention for a considerable time past. This old Roadway or lane serves no public purpose and is not used by the Public: it has been used as a dumping ground for all sorts of refuse, and as a consequence is insanitary and a source of danger to the public health. Its maintenance entails upon the Corporation needless expense. Messrs. Galbraith Ltd. have consented to erect gates at both ends of the Lane.

We recommend that a proposal be made to the Louth County Council for an Order to have this old roadway stopped up and abandoned in compliance with the provisions of Section 82(2) of the Local Government Act, 1898.

Margt. Kelly. Building Lease recommended

Upon her application we have agreed to grant a Lease to Miss Margaret Kelly, Duleek St., of a site on the east side Duleek St. upon which stands a small thatched House and garden which has already been condemned by the Borough Surveyor, for a term of 200 years at the yearly rent of £1 subject to Miss Kelly building a substantial 5-roomed dwellinghouse thereon within a period of one year. Miss Kelly is anxious to take advantage of the Government Grant under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act, 1924, and we recommend you to grant the Lease. The consent of the Local Government Department must be obtained to the granting of this Lease.

Dated 30th July 1924.

P. MacCann. Chairman.

It was agreed to refer back to the Law & Finance Committee the paragraph in the Report dealing with the closing up and abandoning of Harper Lane for further consideration.

The Report as amended was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor McCann seconded by Councillor Davis.

Report of Water Works Committee Referred back

On the motion of Councillor Davis seconded by Councillor McCann the Report of the Water Works Committee was referred back for further consideration in connection with the rate of interest on the proposed Loan of £8000, a special Meeting of the Council to be held within a fortnight to consider this Report.

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read and unanimously

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unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mc Cann seconded by Councillor Webster:-

Gentlemen,

Report of Gas Works Committee.

We have had under consideration for some time past the question of replacing the present Weigh Bridge on the Works and installing a new one with a larger platform and to weigh up to 6 tons. The existing Weigh-Bridge is too small for weighing heavy loads. We submit the following Tenders received for new Weigh-Bridge - Capacity 6 tons - Platform - 12' x 6½' :-

Tenders New Weigh Bridge.

No. 1.	£195 : 0 : 0	(High Grade)
"	£169 : 0 : 0	(Regular Quality).
No. 2.	£180 : 0 : 0	
No. 3.	£155 : 0 : 0	
No. 4.	£175 : 0 : 0	

No. 3. Tender that of Messrs. Charles Ross Ltd. Sheffield, being the lowest we recommend you to accept same. The Weigh Bridge will be delivered on Works and fitted by the Contractors.

C. Ross's tender accepted

The Agreement with Messrs. Sugden & Co. for erection of Retorts will be submitted to you for execution.

Dated 30th July 1924.

P. Carroll. Chairman.

Report of Borough Surveyor submitting list of persons availing of Government subsidy under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act. 1924. read.

Report of P. Weldon submitting list of persons fined for breach of Market Bye-Laws. read.

Delegates appointed to attend Conference of Municipal Authorities (I) Confce

His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Murphy & Stanley were appointed as Delegates to attend the Conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland Ltd on the 23rd & 24th September next.

Resolution from Dun Laoghaire Urban District Council in reference to provision of Meals for children attending Christian Brothers, read.

No order made.

Circular letter from Department of Local Government & Public Health relative to Superannuation allowances to Officers, read.

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Upon his application the Town Clerk was granted his annual Holidays.

Circular letter from Local Government Department enclosing copy of The Enforcement of Law (Occasional Powers) Act. 1924. read.

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To consider the question of the letting of the Linenhall premises to Mr. John G. Murphy, Abbey Garage.

Present :-

In the Chair :- Councillor T. McCabe.
Aldermen :- J. E. Murphy. B. E. Allen.
Councillors :- T. Carroll. R. Webster. J. Davis. L. J. Elcock. D. Reddan. J. J. Callan. P. McCann. T. V. McQuillan.

The notice convening the meeting was read.

It was agreed to further postpone consideration of the matter for one month.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Monday 18th August 1924 at 8 o'clock p.m.

To further consider report of Water Works Committee recommending the borrowing of a Loan of £8000 for the extension and improvement of the Water Works Undertaking; and if such reported be adopted to execute a Mortgage to the Bank of Ireland for the raising of said Loan of £8000.

Present :-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. McCann.
Aldermen :- J. E. Murphy.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. T. Carroll. R. Webster. T. V. McQuillan. J. J. Callan. L. J. Elcock. T. McCabe.

The Notice convening the Meeting was read.

The following report was read :-

Water Works Loan of £8000
Re terms of borrowing.

Gentlemen,

We had an interview with the Secretary. Local Government Department, in reference to the Loan of £8000 to be borrowed from the Bank of Ireland for extension and improvement to the Water Works Undertaking.

Mr. McCarron pointed out that the Irish Banks had entered into an arrangement to grant Loans to public bodies at ½% under Irish Banks rate varying with a minimum of 4% and he supplied us with a list of Local Authorities who have borrowed money under this arrangement. It was also pointed out that English Local Authorities are borrowing money at 1% over the varying Bank Rate.

From our conversation with Mr McCarron and the negotiations with the Bank it would appear that no better terms can be obtained.

Dated 18th August 1924.

Signed :- Séamus É. Ó Murchadha.
J. Carr. Town Clerk.

Report of Water Works Committee

The report of the Water Works Committee was read as follows :-

Gentlemen,

Adverting to our last Report on the subject of the laying of new 12" and 6" Mains and intercepting of Streams, Plans, Specifications and detailed Estimates had to be prepared and submitted to the Local Government Department.

In view of the fact that certain restrictions in regard to the Quantity

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quantity of Water to be taken were required by some of the Millowners on the Liscorry Stream and to the costs involved in obtaining a Provisional Order, we decided for the present to abandon this portion of the Scheme, as it would tend to delay the carrying out of the remainder of the work.

A Local Enquiry was held by Mr. N. O'Dwyer B.E. Local Government Inspector into the application for a Loan of £8000. and as a result of such Enquiry the Local Government Department have sanctioned the borrowing of the Loan to be repaid within a period of 25 years.

The Bank of Ireland have agreed to advance the money at ½% below the current Irish Banks rate varying with a minimum of 4% Interest and the Mortgage will be submitted to you for execution.

We advertised for Tenders for 12" and 6" C.I. Pipes (Turned and Bored) and Valves & Fittings, and received the following Tenders:-

Tenders for Supply of Pipes & Specials.

12" and 6" Pipes and Specials.

No. 1.	£4389 : 13 : 6
" 2.	£4581 : 19 : 8
" 3.	£5029 : 6 : 6
" 4.	£5320 : 9 : 7
" 5.	£4880 : 2 : 7
" 6.	£4625 : 7 : 3
" 7.	(Not considered ~~and~~ as only Socket & Spigot Pipes tendered for instead of Turned and Bored)

No. 1. Tender that of Messrs Chapman and Chapman, 32. Nassau St. Dublin, being the lowest we recommend you to accept same. The delivery of the 12" Pipes will commence 14 weeks after receipt of order and complete in 20 weeks, and the delivery of the 6" Pipes 10 weeks from date of order and complete in 12 weeks.

In order to commence work as quickly as possible we have agreed to accept delivery of 120 lengths of 6" Socket & Spigot Pipes held in Stock in Dublin by Messrs Chapman & Chapman, and we propose to make a start on the Riverstown stream early next month. The laying of the Pipe Track from Killineer to Drogheda must necessarily be held up pending delivery of the Pipes.

Valves & Fittings.

No. 1.	Tender	£158 : 12 : 6
" 2.	"	£182 : 8 : 0
" 3.	"	£156 : 15 : 0 (only portion of Contract tendered for)

No. 1. Tender that of Messrs. Guest & Chaimes, Rotterham. being the lowest we recommend you to accept same.

We purchased for the sum of £40 a quantity of Contractors Plant for sale by the Rathdown Rural District Council consisting of Wheel Barrows, Picks, Shovels, Sledges, Lamps, Timber &c. This Plant will be required on the Pipe Track.

Dated 23rd July 1924.

Signed:- Tomás MacCábha.
Chairman.

Upon the motion of Councillor J. J. Callan seconded by Councillor McCabe the Report of the Water Works Committee was unanimously adopted.

Councillor Callan thereupon moved and Councillor McCabe seconded:-

"That this Corporation approves of a Mortgage from the Corporation to the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland to secure the sum of £8000 and interest at one half per cent below Irish Banks rate, ~~varying~~ but not to fall below 4 per cent, the draft of which Mortgage has already been approved of on behalf of the Corporation by its Solicitor And It is Further Resolved that the Seal of the Corporation be and it is hereby directed to be affixed to the said Mortgage."

Mortgage to Bank of Ireland to secure sum of £8000

The motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

The Mortgage to the Bank of Ireland to secure the sum of £8000 was duly sealed and executed.

Mortgage sealed & executed.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 2nd day of September 1924 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present :-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen. J.E. Murphy.
Councillors :- L. Carroll. P. Carroll. P. Mc Cann. J. Davis. R. Webster. D. Reddan. T. Mc Cabe. L.J. Elcock. J.J. Callan.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

Minutes — The Minutes of the last 3 Meetings were read and confirmed.

Wages — Wages Sheet examined and passed.

Payments. — Payments passed :— Borough Fund £5158 : 8 : 11
Public Library a/c. 11 : - : 10

Report of Law & Finance Committee

The following report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Alderman B.E. Allen :-

Gentlemen.

We have received an application from Mr. John J. Burke for Lease of plot of ground at North Road in order to build a 5-roomed dwellinghouse thereon so as to take advantage of the Government Grant under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act, 1924.

Lease recommended to Mr. John J. Burke

We recommend that Mr Burke be granted a Lease for a term of 200 years at the yearly rent of £2 subject to the condition that a substantial 5-roomed dwellinghouse be erected in accordance with the plan & specification submitted and approved. The approval of the Local Government Department must of course be obtained to the granting of this Lease.

J. Fogarty to Connolly Bros.

We recommend you to consent to the sub-letting by Mr. John J. Fogarty of premises Nos. 20 & 21 Shop Street to Messrs. Connolly Bros. & Hipps Ltd.

Tenders for painting

We have invited Tenders for the painting of Cottages in Bredin Street, Trinity St, Bolton St. and Fair St. and received 3 Tenders. That of Mr Thomas Mc Carthy, North Road, being the lowest at £69 : 0 : 0 we recommend you to accept same.

Bofin Cinema Garage Permission to erect Petrol Pump

Upon their application we have agreed to grant permission to the Bofin Cinema Garage to erect a Petrol Pump on the Footpath outside their premises Fair St. conditional upon their paying a way-leave rent of 1/- per annum

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and to enter into the usual agreement for the erection of Petrol Pumps.

Dated 25th August 1924.

P. Carroll: Chairman.

Report of Gas Works Committee

The following report of the ~~Law & Finance~~ Gas Works Cte committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. Mc Cann seconded by Councillor T. Mc Cabe :-

Gentlemen.

Tenders for Screened Coal

We have advertised for Tenders for the supply of 1,500 tons of best Screened Gas Coals and at our last Meeting considered sealed Tenders from eighteen Firms. We recommend that the Tender of Messrs Jos. Fisher & Sons. Ltd. Newry. to supply 1,500 tons Best Broughton & Plas Power Screened Coal at 32/6 per ton C.I.F. Drogheda less 1/- per ton discharge in cargoes as required, be accepted as the lowest for screened quality.

Dated 27th August 1924.

P. MacLaras: Chairman.

Report of Borough Surveyor upon work carried out in his Department during the past month, read.

No. order made

Upon his application the Borough Surveyor was granted his annual Holidays.

Application of Borough Treasurer for six months leave owing to ill-health

The following application from the Borough Treasurer was read :-

"Gentlemen.

Not having sufficiently recovered from recent illness, and acting on Medical advice, I beg to apply for Six Months' leave of absence. I have already made application to the Law & Finance Committee, submitting medical certificates, who have recommended my obtaining necessary leave.

The Town Clerk would kindly undertake to supervise my duties, and any temporary clerical assistance would be at my expense."

It was unanimously agreed to grant the Borough Treasurer ~~the~~ six months' leave of absence.

Letter from Sailors & Soldiers Dept. re letter which appeared in the Press.

The following letter from the Sailors & Soldiers Department was read :-

"Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 19th instant and in reply, to state that this Department did not authorize the letter published

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published in the Drogheda "Independent" on the 16th instant, a copy of which you enclose, and of which ~~you~~ they had no knowledge.

The Drogheda Urban District Council did not refuse to sanction a road in connection with the above Scheme. The Council and their Officials have given every assistance to this Department, and their Inspectors, in connection with a proposed housing scheme for ex-servicemen in the town.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

R. Betkerson.

Vote of congratulation to Drogheda Rowing Club.

Upon the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Davis a vote of congratulation to the Drogheda Rowing Club upon their success in winning the Junior-Eights at the Tailtean Games was unanimously passed.

Leases & Memorials executed unto:-

The following Leases & Memorials for Registration were this day executed unto:-

Henry O'Connor

(1.) Henry O'Connor of George's Street, Drogheda, of licensed house, yard and premises with three thatched cabins thereon situate on the west side of George's St. for a term of 50 years from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £30 covenants to put the three thatched house into a thorough state of repair and to expend within one year a sum of not less than £50 in carrying out repairs and alterations to premises as specified by the Borough Surveyor and to insure in the sum of £1200.

Peter Mc Cann

(2) Peter Mc Cann of Fair Street, Drogheda, of two houses and premises situate on the west side of George's St. and one house situate on the north side of Trinity St. for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1924 at a yearly rent of £12 covenants to put premises into a thorough state of repair within 12 months as set out in Schedule and to insure in the sum of £900.

Thos. Mc Cullough

(3) Thomas Mc Cullough of Fair Gate, Drogheda, of plot of ground with Stabling and building thereon situate on the west side of George's St. for a term of 27½ years from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £6 and to insure in the sum of £150

Alice Greene

(4) Alice Greene of Fair Street, Drogheda, of plot of ground situate on the west side of George's St. with Stabling and buildings thereon for a term of 27½ years from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £6 and to insure in the sum of £400.

Thos. Flanagan

(5) Thomas Flanagan of Trinity Street, Drogheda, of dwellinghouse, Shop

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yard and premises situate on the North side of Trinity Street for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £10 covenants to expend within 12 months the sum of not less than £150 upon repairs as per specification submitted and approved and to insure in the sum of £500.

James Murray
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(6) James Murray of Trinity Street, Drogheda, of dwellinghouse, yard and premises situate on the north side of Trinity St. for a term of 31 years ~~at~~ th from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £10 covenants to expend within 12 months the sum of not less than £150 upon repairs as per Specification submitted and approved and to insure in the sum of £400.

Ethel Thorpe
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(7). Ethel Thorpe of Trinity St. Drogheda, of dwellinghouse and premises situate on the northside of Trinity St. for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £4 covenants to carry out within 12 months the repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor and to insure in the sum of £300.

Margt. Fogarty
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(8). Margaret Fogarty of West Street, Drogheda of a plot of ground and three houses thereon situate on northside Trinity St. for a term of 31 years from 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £9, covenants to expend within 12 months a sum of not less than £150 in carrying out the repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor and to insure in the sum of £900.

L. J. Carpenter
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(9) Lawrence J. Carpenter, Trinity Street, Drogheda, of plot of ground with three Slated and two thatched dwellinghouses thereon situate on the north side Trinity St. for a term of 75 years from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £3 covenants to ~~erect~~ erect within two years two new 2-Storied Slated dwellinghouses as per plan and specification submitted on the site of the existing thatched dwellinghouses and to carry out repairs and alterations to the 3 Slated dwellinghouses as per Specification submitted and approved and to insure in the sum of £1400.

See Farm Grants for purchase of Houses on the west side of Thomas St.

See Farm Grants executed to tenants of houses. Thomas St.

for 25½ years to redeem the sum of £362 at 5% per annum as per Schedule endorsed upon Deed were this day executed unto the following:-

Joseph M. Mullen, Christopher J. Bellew. Francis G. Evers. Vincent Hoey. Bridget Carolan. Michael Connor. Joseph Connor. Joseph Mc Donnell. Mrs. M. Wall. ~~Vincent~~ Mrs. A. Bolandy, Bernard Mc Bennett, Andrew B. Finegan, Daniel Mc Auley. Samuel Henry, John Kilroy. John Commons.

Agreement for erection of Retorts with Sugden & Co.

An Agreement with Messrs. J. B. Sugden & Co. Ltd. of 10 East Parade. Leeds, for the erection of a complete set of Eight D. Stop Retorts in the Gas Works Department.

Surrender of Lease by Christian Bros

A Surrender of Lease dated 24th January 1828 (Lease No. 979) of a lot or parcel of ground on the south side of Sunday St. from the Christian Brothers Community was this-day executed.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council in Committee of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 2nd day of September 1924 at the hour of 9 o'clock p.m.

To consider the question of the letting of the Linenhall premises to Mr John J. Murphy. Abbey Garage.

Present :-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen. J.E. Murphy.
Councillors :- L. Carroll. P. Carroll. P. Mc Cann. J. Davis. R. Webster. D. Reddan. L. Mc Cabe. L.J. Elcock. Jno. J. Callan.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

After a lengthy discussion His Worship the Mayor moved and Councillor Webster seconded That the matter of the letting of the Linenhall premises be referred back to the Law & Finance Committee.

P Mac Cann.

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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 7th day of October 1924 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present :-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. Mc Cann.
Alderman :- B.E. Allen. J.E. Murphy.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. L. Carroll. R. Webster. R. Murdock. J. Davis. D. Reddan. Luke J. Elcock. L. Mc Cabe. J.J. Callan.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The minutes of the last 2 Meetings were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed :- Borough Fund £1171 : 18 : 3
Public Library a/c 12 : 10 : 8

Report of Law & Finance Committee

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. Mc Cann seconded by Alderman B.E. Allen :-

Gentlemen.

We have had under consideration an application from Mrs. Ed. Mc Cormack, Trinity St. for an extension of the term of Lease owing to the fact that the premises had to be entirely re-built.

Mrs. Mc Cormack.

On the 1st April last Mrs. Mc Cormack was granted a Lease for a term of 30 years at the yearly rent of £24 subject to her expending a sum of £500 upon alterations and repairs. When Mrs. Mc Cormack commenced to carry out these alterations it was found that the premises would have to be re-built, and new plans & specification were submitted for the re-building of the premises involving an expenditure of £850.

Having regard to the fact that the premises require to be re-built and to the increased expenditure we recommend that the terms for the previous Lease be cancelled and that a new Lease be granted to Mrs. Mc Cormack for a term of 25 years at the yearly rent of £18 subject to the condition that the premises be re-built in accordance with the plan and specification submitted.

Grazing tenancy Jas. Winters

We have agreed to grant Mr Jas. Winters, Stoney Lane, a grazing tenancy at a rent of £1 per year of portion of field at Stoney Lane subject to an Agreement being entered into that possession will be handed up when required upon one week's notice.

T. Mc Cullough permission for door way

We have granted permission to Mr. Thos. Mc Cullough, Fair Street, to open a small Doorway at the end of his Yard in George's St. into the Fair.

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Jos. McDonnell
Lease of Building Site

Fair Green.

Mr. Joseph McDonnell, Thomas St. has applied for a building site on the south side Ghord Road to build a 5-roomed dwellinghouse so as to take advantage of the Government Grant under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act 1924; plans for the building of the house were submitted and approved.

We recommend that Mr. McDonnell be granted a Lease for a term of 200 years at a rent £1 per annum subject to his erecting within one year a substantial 5-roomed house in accordance with plans submitted. The consent of the Local Government Department must be obtained to the granting of this Lease.

Closing of Harper Lane

We have had under further consideration the question of the closing up and abandoning of the Roadway known as "Harper Lane". In view of the fact that the Roadway would revert to the owners of the adjoining property if closed up, we have decided to recommend you not to apply to for an Order to abandon this Road, but to continue to exercise your right over it as a public thoroughfare.

Clause in Lease re employment of Tradesmen

We have also had under consideration the Resolution from the Drogheda Workers Council in reference to the insertion of a clause in Leases as to the employment of qualified tradesmen belonging to a Trades Union Organization in the carrying out by Lessees of repairs to property. We have carefully considered the matter and feel that such a clause would be a very drastic covenant upon Lessees especially having regard to the nature of some of the improvements required by the Corporation, and that the enforcement of this covenant from time to time would entail trouble and probably expense. We therefore cannot see our way to recommend you to agree to the suggestion of the Drogheda Workers' Council

Assignment Downey to Downey

We recommend you to agree to an assignment of the Lease of premises in Leland Place, Stockwell Lane, from the Exors. of the late Peter Downey deceased, to Mr. Peter Downey, Waterunder. Lease No. 1290.

McHugh Bros. Erection of Petrol Pump

Upon their application we have agreed to allow Messrs. McHugh Bros. to erect a Petrol Pump on the foothath opposite their premises at Fair Gate upon payment of a way-leave rent of 1/- per annum and to enter into the usual Agreement for the erection of such Petrol Pumps.

Mrs. Blakes holding

We have had under consideration for some time past the question of the tenancy in the holding at Bryanstown lately in the occupation of Mrs. Margaret Blarke, deceased. The late Mrs. Blarke, who held this holding under a yearly tenancy at a rent of £30 per annum, bequeathed them to a Mr. Joseph Blarke, Dublin. The latter gentleman served notice upon the Corporation of his intention to apply to the Land Commission for a Declaration that the holding was one to which the Land Act, 1923. applied. The case came on for hearing on

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the 25th March last before Mr. Justice Wylie who dismissed the application and decided that the holding was not one to which the Land Act 1923 applied

Previous to the Notice being served we gave instructions for Ejectment proceedings to be taken against Blarke but were advised to stay service of the Ejectment Notice pending the hearing of the case. Mr. Justice Wylie gave his decision on the 1st April and on the 8th May last Mr. Blarke assigned the holding over to Mr. John D. McKeon, Bryanstown, who is now in occupation of the premises

This holding is a very valuable one situate about one mile from the Town and comprises a splendid residence and outoffices together with 10 acres. 2 rds. 37 perches of Land

In view of the fact that Mr. McKeon went into possession of this holding without seeking the sanction of the Corporation we have decided to serve an Ejectment Notice to terminate Mr. McKeon's tenancy on the 29th September 1925. The Corporation must assert its right to dispose of their property so as to derive the maximum revenue from it for the benefit of the ratepayers. ×

In a previous report we had to draw attention to the practice of tenants selling or assigning Corporate property without in the first instance seeking sanction, and we would again issue a warning to tenants that the Corporation will insist upon sanction being obtained to the sale, sub-letting or assignment of their property

Dated 29th September 1924

P. Macbana: Chairman

Report of Gas Works Committee

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. McCann seconded by Councillor R. Murdock:-

Gentlemen.

We recommend that the Lamp at the junction of Mary St. and Duleek St. be lighted as an all-night Lamp instead of half-night owing to the place being a dangerous corner for vehicular traffic: and that the Lamp at North Road be a half-night Lamp instead of all night.

We recommend that a new Lamp be fitted and lighted in Barrack St. where required

We are again compelled to complain of the breakage and interference with the Public Lamps especially at the Dale Arch and Bredin St. The Lamps at the latter places were completely broken by Stones and had to be taken down for repairs. The Lamps on the Quays are also frequently broken.

We recommend that the Tenders of Messrs Geo. Waller & Son Ltd. Stroud

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Tenders

Stroud, and R. Dempster & Son. Ltd. Elland, at £46 and £33 respectively for urgent renewals to Gas Exhausters made by each Firm be accepted, all delivery charges being included in prices quoted for each exhauster.

We recommend acceptance of trial cargo of Gresford Coal @ 30/6 per ton f.o.t. from Jno. Dunlop & Co. Liverpool. Other Tenders for Trial Lots being 31/6 and 32/6 per ton f.o.t. respectively.

Dated 1st October 1924.

P. Macbana. Chairman.

The Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the Work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

Alderman Stanley was appointed as Delegate to attend a Conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland to be held in Dublin on the 8th instant.

Circular letter from the Local Government Department relating to revision of Bonuses was read.

No order made

The following resolutions were read

Resolution re treatment of bodies of Republican Soldiers

(1) Tralee Urban District Council.

"That we, the members of the Tralee Urban District Council, condemn the inhuman, fiendish and vindictive way in which the Free State Government have treated the bodies of brave Republican Soldiers, and we are convinced that such acts will have the ~~acts~~ effects of making the name of Ireland a byeword and a reproach throughout the World.

We call upon the people of Ireland of all denominations and shades of opinion, in the name of humanity and for the sake of the Fair fame of our Country, to insist on the Government handing over to the relatives those bodies and the bodies of other Republican Soldiers interred in unconsecrated ground."

Resolution re exhumation of remains of Republican Soldiers

(2) Standing Committee of Sinn Fein.

"That we protest against the reported exhumation and removal to unknown destinations, by the 'Free State Military' of the Remains of Republican soldiers, as for example at Drumboe Castle, Stranolar; Luam; Rosenea; Beggars Bush and Keogh Barracks; and Mountjoy Prison, Dublin; and we demand that the Remains in each case be handed over to the Relatives of the deceased for Christian Burial."

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Councillor P. Carroll proposed and Councillor T. Carroll seconded the adoption of the Resolutions.

On a division there voted:-

For the Resolutions	Against the Resolutions
Councillors:- P. Carroll. T. Carroll.	Alderman J.E. Murphy. Councillor P. McCann.
(2)	(2)

Alderman B.E. Allen. Councillors. Webster, Murdock. Davis, Reddan. Elcock. McCabe & Callan declined to vote.

A Tie having taken place the Chairman, Councillor P. McCann gave his casting vote against the Resolution which was declared lost.

Town Clerk authorized to sign cheques in Borough Treasurers absence on leave

On the Motion of Councillor J. Davis seconded by Alderman B.E. Allen it was resolved:-

"That during the absence of the Borough Treasurer, Mr. J.J. Keeley, on leave, the Town Clerk be and is hereby authorized to do all acts in the carrying out of the duties of Borough Treasurer and sign all Paying Orders on the Borough Fund and Public Library Accounts and cheques on the Borough Fund Wages and Road Grant Accounts."

The motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Chairman

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on ~~Mon~~ Tuesday the 4th November 1924 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present :-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen. J. E. Murphy.
Councillors :- T. Carroll. P. McCann R. Murdock. D. Reddan T. McCabe. R. Webster. J. J. Callan. P. McNamara. T. V. McQuillan.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed — Borough Fund £1557 : 13 : 11.
Public Library a/c 16 : 3 : 9.

Report of Law & Finance Committee

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

We have had a further application from Mr. John G. Murphy, Abbey Garage, for a tenancy of the Linenhall premises. The facts in connection with this case have already been fully reported to you. Having carefully considered the matter and in view of the history of the case and to the fact that the premises are still held by Messrs. Cahill & Co. we cannot see our way to recommend a letting to Mr. Murphy.

Purchase of Building site by Sailors & Soldiers Dept.

The Sailors & Soldiers Department (Colonial Office), Dublin, have applied for the purchase of a building site at Sandyford's Alley containing 3rds. 12 pers. (Statute measure) for the purpose of erecting 12 houses for Ex-Servicemen thereon. We recommend the Sale in fee of this site for the sum of £50, subject to the Department erecting 12 houses. The Sanction of the Local Government Department must be obtained to the Sale.

We have agreed to the following lettings :-

Yearly tenancies to M. McConnon

(1) Yearly tenancy of premises at West Gate to Mr. M. McConnon, Laurence St. at a rent of 10/- per annum, subject to tenant keeping the premises in repair and paying rates.

Mrs. Margt. Moonan

(2) Yearly tenancy to Mrs. Margaret Moonan of house and premises in her occupation at North Strand at a rent of £4 per annum subject to the Tenant being responsible for all repairs and rates.

Lease:- T. Byrne

(3) A Lease unto Mr. Thos. Byrne, Duleek St. of a thatched house and outoffices

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in his occupation, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September last at the yearly rent of £4.

These premises were held under Lease by a Mr. Francis McCrystal to whom Mr. Byrne was a sub-tenant, but Ejectment proceedings were taken against McCrystal for non-payment of rent and the premises were evicted, Mr. Byrne remaining on under a Caretaker's Agreement. The arrears of rent due by McCrystal will be paid by Mr. Byrne.

Surrender of ground by Jas. Bellew & reduction of rent of Lease

We have arranged with Mr. James Bellew, Killineer, to take a surrender of portion of ground at North Road, comprised in his Lease No. 1264, and to reduce the rent of his Lease by £2 per year for the residue of the term of the Lease. We recommend you to agree to this proposal in order to have suitable building sites in our possession so as to let them to persons desirous of building houses under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act, 1924.

Kangley to Callan

We recommend you to agree to an Assignment of Lease No. 1274 of premises in George's Street known as the "Swan Yard" from Mr. John Kangley to Mr. George Callan.

Dated 20th October 1924.

P. MacCans. Chairman.

Paragraph in L & F. Committee Report referred back to Committee

Letter read from Mr. F. G. McKeever, Solicitor, asking for an opportunity of addressing the Council in connection with the letting of the Linenhall premises. Mr. McKeever was present.

Councillor McCann proposed and Alderman B.E. Allen seconded the adoption of the Report save and except the first paragraph in the Report relating to the letting of the Linenhall premises which was referred back to the Law & Finance Committee.

The Motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Report of Borough Surveyor upon work carried out in his Department was read.

Resolution

A resolution from the Sligo Corporation suggesting that a Commission be set up to enquire into the working of the Pension Act 1924 was marked read.

A list of suggested amendments and additions to the Local Government Bill 1924 from the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland was referred to the Law & Finance Committee for consideration.

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Letter from Workers' Council re-starting of Packing Co.

Letter read from Drogheda Workers' Council asking for a deputation of 2 members to be appointed to meet a similar number from the Drogheda Chamber of Commerce and Workers Council to consider a proposal for the re-starting of the Irish Packing Co. under the Trade Facilities Act 1924.

Councillors Mc Cann & Callan were appointed as Delegates.

Re Scheme for deepening of Barnattin Reservoir

The following letter was read from the Secretary. Local Government Department:-

"A Chara,

With reference to previous correspondence regarding the application of the Corporation of Drogheda for a grant towards the deepening of Barnattin Reservoir which is being undertaken with a view to improving the water supply and relieving unemployment in the Borough, I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to state that he has received a Report from Mr. N. O'Dwyer, Engineering Inspector, who recently visited Drogheda in connection with the proposal. An extract from the Inspector's Report is enclosed and the Minister would invite the Corporation's consideration of the suggestion made to secure the further source of supply which was put forward at the Inquiry held in July last.

The Minister is prepared to authorise the carrying out of the proposed work at Barnattin and to allocate a sum not exceeding £7,200 for the purpose of excavating and removing to a suitable tip-head material from the shallow end of the Reservoir, on the following conditions, viz:-

(1) that not less than 75% of the men engaged on the work be ex-servicemen of the National Army.

(2) that the rate of wages do not exceed £2 per week.

It is desirable that the Corporation should meet out of their own funds any expenditure on plant equipment that may be required but if this is not feasible the expenditure to be charged to the grant for this purpose should not exceed £400. A full record should be kept of any equipment purchased in connection with the work so that it may be disposed of when the Scheme is completed and the amount realised brought to the credit of the grant. Should the Council succeed in coming to an agreement with the riparian owners and other parties interested in the additional source of supply referred to by the Inspector a further sum of £800 will be made available towards acquisition and development of such land, water and rights as they may acquire and towards the expenses incurred in conveying such water to their present waterworks system.

An investigation of the expenditure out of the entire grant will be carried out at a later stage by the Local Government Auditor

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and weekly wages sheets should be carefully preserved for this purpose. Where a large number of men is employed on the work it will suffice if a certificate as appended in the form annexed hereto duly witnessed by two of the payers in whose presence the payments have been made, is given on the pay sheets. The grant is applicable to the current financial year only.

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J. Hewson: ag Runaidhe.

Ordered that the work be commenced as quickly as possible.

Condolences on death of P. Lennon Water Works Supt. and on Death of Mrs. Weldon

Upon the motion of his Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan, votes of condolences were proposed to Mrs. Lennon and family upon the death of Peter Lennon, Water Works Superintendent; to Alderman J. M. Stanley upon the death of his sister; and to P. Weldon B.S.O. upon the death of his Mother

Circular letter from Local Government Department relative to the terms arranged with the Irish Banks for advances under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act. 1924. read.

Vote of Congratulation to His Worship the Mayor (P. Monahan) on the occasion of his marriage

On the motion of Alderman J.E. Murphy seconded by Councillor R. Webster a vote of congratulation to His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Monahan) on the occasion of his recent Marriage was unanimously passed and a present of a canteen of Silver Cutlery was presented from the Members and Officials of the Council.

Documents sealed:-
Christian Bros. Deed of conveyance of plot of ground
Conveyance to G. H. Pentland.
Lease to Jno. Harmon
Mrs. L Boyle

The following Documents were this day sealed:-

(1) Deed of conveyance unto the Trustees for the Congregation of the Brothers of the Christian Schools of a plot or parcel of ground on the south side Magdalene St. and east side of St. Peters Place for the consideration of the sum of £100.

(2) ditto Deed of conveyance unto Geo. H. Pentland of plot of ground at Blackhall, Drogheda, containing 3 rds. 35 pers. for the consideration of £50.

(3) Lease unto John Harmon, of Trinity St. Drogheda of Dwellinghouse yard and barn Stores situate on the south side Trinity St. for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1924 at the yearly rent of £23: covenants to expend within one year a sum of not less than £210 upon improvements and alterations as set out in plan and specification submitted and to insure in the sum of £1000.

(4) Lease unto Mrs. Teresa Boyle of Trinity St. Drogheda of Dwellinghouse on the

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the southside Trinity St. for a term of 31 years from the 25th March 1924 ~~to~~ at the yearly rent of £9 covenants to expend within one year a sum of not less than £10 in carrying out the repairs as set out in the schedule endorsed on the lease and to insure in the sum of £400.

Yearly lettings: Jas Byrne

(3) The following agreements for yearly lettings were sealed unto:-

(1) James Byrne of North Road of 2 houses situate on the North Road at a rent of £1 per annum.

Mrs. C. Moonan

(2) Mrs. Catherine Moonan, North Road, of dwellinghouse situate on the North Road at the yearly rent of £1.

Mrs H Barnes

(3) Mrs. Helen Barnes, Newfoundwell Road. Drogheda. of dwellinghouse situate on Newfoundwell Road at the yearly rent of £1.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Monday 24th November 1924 at 9.45 o'clock a.m.

(1) To attend Requiem Mass in St. Peters, West St. at 10 o'clock a.m. for the repose of the soul of His Eminence the late Cardinal Logue.

(2) Immediately after Mass to meet in the Court House to pass a vote of condolence upon the death of His Eminence the late Cardinal Logue and to arrange for representatives to attend the Funeral in Armagh on Tuesday next.

Present :-

In the Chair :- Alderman J.E. Murphy. J.P.
Councillors :- P. Carroll - P. McCann, J. Davis R. Murdock. J.J. Callan. T.V. McQuillan. D. Reddan. T. McCabe. Luke J. Elcock. R. Webster. P.J. McNamara.

The Notice convening the Meeting the Meeting was read.

Upon the Motion of Alderman Murphy seconded by Councillor J. Davis the following resolution was unanimously passed:-

"That we the Members of the Drogheda Corporation place on record the intense grief of the people of Drogheda and our intense grief on the death of His Eminence Cardinal Logue and offer our most sincere sympathy to Archbishop O'Donnell and the priests of the Archdiocese in their great sorrow.

condolence on death of His Eminence Cardinal Logue.

The following members intimated their intention to represent the Council at the Funeral in Armagh to-morrow:

Alderman J.E. Murphy. J.P.
Councillors:- J.J. Callan. D. Reddan. T.V. McQuillan. P. McCann & P.J. McNamara with the Town Clerk.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal bouncil of the Borough of Drogheda held in the bourt House on Tuesday ~~4th December~~ 2nd December 1924 at the hour of 8 oclock pm.

Present :-

In the bhair :- bouncillor P. Mc bann.
bouncillors :- P. barroll. J. J. ballan. L. J. Elcock. D. Reddan. L. Mc babe.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read
The Minutes of the last 2 Meetings were read and confirmed
Wages Sheet examined and passed
Payments passed — Borough Fund £1191 :1:11
Public Library a/c. 20 :12: 7.

Report of Gas Works bommittee

The following Report of the Gas Works bommittee was unanimously adopted on the motion of bouncillor P. Mc bann seconded by bouncillor L. Mc babe :-

Gentlemen,

We regret having to again complain of the deliberate breaking of Public Lamps, and have instructed the Secretary to have an interview with the Superintendent of the Police Guard on the matter of dealing with offenders

We recommend that extra Lamps be fitted and lighted as half-night Lamps in Free School Lane & North Road District where required.

Dated 24th November 1924.

P. Macbana: bhairman.

Lists of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates

The Rate bollectors Lists of arrears & Irrecoverable Rates for ½ year ended 30th September last amounting to £1144: 15: 2 for Irrecoverable Rates and £409-0-6 for arrears, were submitted and approved

Housing Act. £100 paid to Mr J Hughes by Govt.

Letter read from Secretary, Department of Local Government: (Housing Dept.) intimating that a sum of £100 had been paid to Mr James Hughes, Rush, bo. Dublin as a grant under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act. 1924 in respect of a house erected by him at North Road, Drogheda

Report of Borough Surveyor intimating that Mr James Hughes had completed a 5-roomed dwellinghouse at North Road - under the Housing (Building Facilities) act, 1924: Mr. Reddan's 2 houses, King St. are approaching

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completion: and Mr. Joseph Mc Donnell has commenced building operations at bhord Road.

Resolution

A Resolution from Drogheda Workers bouncil requesting the borporation to make grants to all persons building houses within the Borough under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act. 1924. was read.

After a lengthy discussion on the matter no order was made.

Letter read from P. Weldon, S.S.O. thanking the bouncil for vote of sympathy passed with him on the death of his Mother.

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6th January.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal bouncil of the Borough of Drogheda held in the bount House on Tuesday 6th January 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock pm.

Present :-

In the bhair :- bounceillor P. Mc bann.
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen.
bounceillors :- P. barroll. T. barroll. R. Webster. R. Murdock. L.J. Clock. T. Mc babe.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last 2 Meetings were read & confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed :— Borough Fund :- £1566-12-7.
Public Library a/c 12-10-8.

Report of Law & Finance bommittee

The following Report of the Law & Finance bommittee was unanimously adopted on the motion of bounceillor Mc bann seconded by bounceillor Mc babe :-

Gentlemen,

Leases recommend to :-
Miss K. Moss

We recommend you to grant Miss K. Moss. Laurence St. a Lease of the premises in her occupation for a term of 31 years from the 29th September last at the yearly rent of £25 subject to her expending within 12 months a sum of at least £125 upon repairs as set out in specification submitted.

~~yearly~~ 5 years grazing tenancy of field to Mr W. Hughes

We have agreed with Mr. Wm. Hughes, Marsh Road, to grant a 5 years grazing tenancy of Workhouse field, Dublin Road, at a rent of £10 per acre, subject to an Agreement being entered into to hand up possession at any time the field be required for building purposes.

Permission to Sub let Lease Flanagan

We recommend that Miss Margaret Flanagan, Kellys Lane, be granted permission to sub let the Lease of premises, Newfoundwell, lately in the occupation of Miss Anne Whitehead, deceased

weekly tenancy of plot of ground to John Lochrin

We recommend that Mr. John Lochrin, Hardmans Garden, be granted a weekly tenancy of plot of ground adjoining his premises at a rent of sixpence per week, an Agreement to be entered into to hand up possession upon one weeks notice if required for building or other purposes

Dated 19th December 1924.

P. Mac bana.
bhairman.

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Report of Gas Works bommittee

The following Report of the Gas Works bommittee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of bounceillor Mc bann seconded by bounceillor Murdock :-

Gentlemen,

Tenders for Lar

We beg to report that the following Tenders were received for Surplus Lar. year ending December 15th 1925 :

No. 1. 23/11 per 100 gals on rail Drogheda barrels & Rly. bharges paid by buyer
No. 2 33/4 per 100 gals all transit charges paid by buyer
No. 3 36/- per 100 gals Do. Do. Do

We recommend the acceptance of No. 3. Tender, D. Anderson & Son, Ltd. Belfast, at price and terms mentioned.

We again regret to have to complain about damage maliciously done to public Lamps, and where not broken the glass of lamps is plastered with mud. We recommend that a Lamp be fitted at Thomas St. as same is badly wanted in that street.

Dated 1st January 1925

P. Mac bana
bhairman.

The Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

The Market Inspector reported upon the result of cases in District bount for breach of Market Bye-Laws.

Memorial re Lamp at Oulster Lane

A Memorial from the residents Oulster Lane requesting a Lamp to be lighted in the Laneway was referred to the Gas Works bommittee

Letter from L.G.& re Administrative Economy

A bircular letter letter from the Department of Local Government & Public Health upon the question of administrative economy was read.

It was agreed to hold a meting of the bouncil in bommittee after next bouncil meeting in February to consider the matter.

Letter from L.G.& re Meals to School children

bircular letter from Department of Local Government relative to the provision of meals for bhildren attending National Schools, read.

A bommittee consisting of bounceillors Mc bann, P. barroll, L.J. Clock & R. Murdock were appointed to meet the various School Managers and discuss

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the questions with them.

Letter from General Valuation Office intimating that Mr. J. Mc Carthy, will commence the annual revision of the Valuation of the Urban District about the 1st January 1925; read.

Condolence with Councillor L Carroll.

On the motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Councillor Mc Cann a vote of condolence was passed with Councillor L. Carroll on the death of his brother.

Agreement executed with Messrs Chapman for supply of pipes

An Agreement with Messrs. Chapman & Chapman Ltd. of 32. Nassau St. Dublin, for the supply and delivery of 12" and 6" Pipes and Specials for the Water Works Department was this day executed.

Communication

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February 3rd

Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday 3rd February 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- L. E. Allen
Councillors :- L. Carroll. P. Carroll. P. Mc Cann. R. Murdock. R. Webster. L. Mc Cabe. Jno. J. Callan

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed
Wages Sheet examined and passed
Payments Passed :— Borough Fund £ 1,015 : 14 : 8.
Public Library a/c 12 : 15 : 11

Report of Gas Works Committee

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

We recommend that a Lamp be fitted and lighted at Oulster Lane and also one in Bachelors Lane at Junction of Rosemary Lane as half night Lamps.

In June last we recommended the installation of Vertical Retorts and that application be made to the Bank of Ireland for a Loan of £9,000 to carry out this work. We have been in negotiation with the Bank for months past to secure this Loan but the Bank would only agree to advance the money at one-half per cent below the Irish Banks current ~~rate~~ rate varying with a minimum of 4% interest and to be repaid within a period of Ten Years. We endeavoured to get the Bank to grant the Loan to be repaid within a period of at least 20 years but the Bank intimated they would not advance the money unless repaid within 10 years. Under these circumstances we regret we cannot recommend you to proceed with this work.

Loan of £9000 for installation of Vertical Retorts

The advantages of Vertical Retorts over present Horizontal Retorts would mean a greater quantity of Gas per ton of Coal with corresponding reduction in Coal used; more uniform quality of Gas: better quality of Coke: less arduous and better conditions of Labour, and a more elastic plant as regards output of Gas per day. A substantial reduction in the price of Gas would be effected if the Loan had been granted on an extended period of years.

Dated 29th January 1925

P. Mac Cana.
Chairman

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the questions with them.

Letter from General Valuation Office intimating that Mr. J. McCarthy, will commence the annual Revision of the Valuation of the Urban District about the 1st January 1925; read.

Condolence with Councillor L. Carroll.

On the motion of Councillor P. Carroll secondd by Councillor McCann a vote of Condolence was passed with Councillor L. Carroll on the death of his brother.

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Present:-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- B. E. Allen
Councillors :- L. Carroll. P. Carroll. P. McCann. R. Murdock. R. Webster. L. McCabe. Jno. J. Callan

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and Confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments Passed :— Borough Fund £. 1,015 : 4 : 8.
Public Library a/c. 12 : 15 : 11

Report of Gas Works Committee

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Dated 29th January 1925

P. MacCana.
Chairman

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The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. McCann seconded by Councillor T. McCabe, and the following resolution was unanimously adopted:-

Resolution re Long term Loans

"That we ~~the~~ are of opinion that the time has come when long term loans at low interest should be made available to Local Authorities and we therefore request the Minister of Local Government and Minister of Finance to establish a Local Loans Fund for the purpose.

That we are of opinion that the making available of such Loans would enable Local Authorities to deal with the Housing Problem, and carry out schemes of Local development to such ~~an~~ extent as to minimise greatly the prevalent unemployment."

That a copy of this Resolution together with the Report of the Gas Works Committee be sent to the Minister of Local Government and Minister of Finance."

The Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

Local Elections Postponement Order

The Local Elections Postponement Order 1925 postponing the date of the Local Elections to the 19th March 1925 was read.

Circular letter from Housing Dept. enclosing copy of the Housing (Building Facilities) (Amendment) Act 1924 was read.

Letter from Sailors & Soldiers Dept. postponing the execution of scheme for erection of new houses.

Read letter from Sailors & Soldiers Department intimating that owing to the failure of a number of other Tenants in Dublin and elsewhere to carry out their obligations the Directors had been obliged to give instruction postponing the execution of any new scheme under the Irish Land (Provision for Sailors & Soldiers) Act 1919.

Vote of thanks to Mr. Biggar, Belfast, for his Gift of 2 Oil Paintings.

His Worship the Mayor proposed that the best thanks of the Council be tendered to Mr. Biggar, Belfast, for his gift of 2 Oil Paintings, the pictures being one of "Old Drogheda" and "Slane Castle". Alderman B. E. Allen seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

Vote of Sympathy on death of Rev. Fr. Lynch

A Vote of Sympathy with the Franciscan Fathers upon the death of the Rev. Fr. Lynch was unanimously passed.

Leases executed unto Mrs. A. McCormack.

The following Leases were this day sealed unto:-

(1) Mrs. Anne McCormack, Trinity St. Drogheda of Licensed House Yard and premises situate on the north side Trinity St. for a term of 75 years from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £18 covenants to erect within one year a substantial dwellinghouse shop and premises in accordance with plans and specification and to expend a sum of not less than £350 and to insure in the sum of £1200.

Simon F. Jordan

(2) Simon F. Jordan, George's St. Drogheda, of plot of ground with 2 Two-storied Slated dwellinghouses thereon together with a garden and shed at the rere ~~at~~ of the said dwellinghouses situate on the west side George's St. for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £10 covenants to carry out within one year the repairs and alterations as specified by the Borough Surveyor and to insure in the sum of £800.

Francis Curtis

(3) Francis Curtis, of Shop St. Drogheda, of dwellinghouse, shop and premises situate on the west side Shop St. for a term of 50 years from the 25th March 1923 at the yearly rent of £10 covenants to expend a sum of not less than £560 upon alterations and improvements as per schedule endorsed upon the Lease and to insure in the sum of £2000.

Surrender of Lease from Fras. Curtis

A Surrender of Lease made to Francis Curtis dated 15th March 1921 of the foregoing premises for a term of 75 years from the 29th September 1920 at the yearly rent of £5 was also executed. Penrose Ma Cana

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council in Committee of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 3rd February 1925 at the hour of 9 o'clock p.m.

To consider circular letter from Local Government Dept. relative to administrative Economy.

Present:-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor
Alderman :- B.E. Allen.
Councillors :- T. Carroll. P. Carroll. R. Webster. P. McCann
R. Murdock. T. McCabe. Jno. J Callan

The Notice convening the Meeting was read

Report of Town Clerk re Administrative Economy

The following Report of the Town Clerk was read:-

Gentlemen,

The circular letter from the Local Government Dept. in reference to Administrative Economy has been engaging my attention.

A similar circular letter from the Local Government Dept. dated 4th December 1923 was carefully gone into by the Law & Finance Committee when considering the past years Rate Estimates, and every item of expenditure was carefully scrutinized, and only the minimum amounts for the general upkeep were passed.

The expenditure in the Borough Surveyors Dept. has undoubtedly shown an increase over pre-war expenditure, but it must be admitted that this was largely due to the fact that the condition of the Roads & Cottages was allowed to deteriorate in previous years. In addition wages and materials have increased 300% over pre-war rates, but the Surveyors estimate has not increased in this proportion.

The Demand of the County Council is one over which ~~you~~ this Council had no control, and you are bound to strike a rate to cover the demand. The pre-war Poor Rate was 2/10 as against 5/4 for last year, and increase of 2/6 in the £.

With regard to Staff organization I would point out that there are less Officials employed than in any other similar town in Ireland.

I cannot give you particulars of the coming Rate Estimates until I receive the Demand from the County Council and the Borough Surveyors Estimate. Those particulars will be ready about a month hence, and I would suggest that the Council as a whole should resolve itself into Committee and discuss the various items in the Estimates with a view to seeing what economy, if any can be effected

In conclusion I would like to say that for years past the Law & Finance Committee have gone very thoroughly into the Rate Estimates, and have only recommended expenditure which was considered necessary for the essential services of the Town.

Your obedient Servant.
J Carr.
Town Clerk.

A lengthy discussion took place upon economies that might be effected in the Borough Surveyors Department.

It was ~~considered~~ agreed to consider the question of having all the carting done by contract and the utilization of the Horse-Brush when the coming Rate Estimates would be under consideration.

The question of the maintenance of patients in Extern Hospitals was also discussed and it was decided to invite the Doctors to meet the Finance Committee to discuss with them what patients could be treated in the Local Hospitals. Penrose Mac Cann

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday 3rd March 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock pm.

Present:-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. Mc Cann.
Aldermen :- J.E. Murphy. LD
Councillors :- P. Carroll. L. Carroll. R. Webster, R. Murdock. L.J. Elcock. L.V. Mc Quillan. D. Reddan. L. Mc Cabe. J.J. Callan. P. Mc Namara. J. Davis

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed. :— Borough Fund £5553:4:6.
Public Library £ 22:18:2.

Report of Law & Finance Committee

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

We have had under further consideration the question of the letting of the Linenhall premises and recommend the following lettings subject to Messrs. Cahill & Co. surrendering the present Lease of those premises:-

Linenhall Premises

(1) A Lease to Mr. Luke J. Elcock for a term of 21 years at the yearly rent of £10 of the eastern wing of the Linenhall ~~premises~~ with a clause to be inserted in the Lease that if at any time the Lease of the remaining portion of the premises is terminated Mr. Elcock will surrender the Lease of his portion of the premises

(2) A Lease to Mr. John J. Murphy of the remaining portion of the Linenhall premises for a term of 21 years at the yearly rent of £60, covenants to instal Machinery to the value of £1000 and to carry on the business of Manufacturing Engineering, a clause to be inserted in the Lease that if the premises are used for other than a Manufacturing Engineering Works the premises are to revert back to the Corporation.

Mrs. Jane Moore

We recommend that Mrs. Jane Moore be granted a Lease of 1 houses in Upper Magdalene Street for a term of 21 years at the yearly rent of £10 covenants to carry out repairs and alterations as specified by the Borough Surveyor. Mrs. Moore held those premises under a Lease which expired on the 29th September last, and having regard to the good condition in which the houses had been handed up at the expiration of the Lease, we consider it only reasonable that Mrs. Moore be granted a renewal of the Lease.

Possession of Premises Lettars Lane.

We recommend that possession of premises in Lettars Lane held by the Reps. John Dolan be taken over for the purpose of a building site.

Tenders for Sewer pipes.

We have received Tenders for the supply of Sewer pipes for laying of new Sewer from Cronwells Mount and recommend you to accept the following being the lowest in each case:-

12" Pipes – Messrs. Mc Kernan & Guildford at 9/3 each.
9" Pipes – Messrs A. Murdock & Sons Ltd at 6/- each.

We have agreed to assent to Assignment of house No. 17 Thomas St from Joseph M. Mullen to Mr. J.M. Conroy.

Dated 16th February 1925.

P. Mac Cana Chairman.

Amendment proposed.

Councillor Reddan proposed and Councillor Mc Cabe seconded the adoption of the Report.

Councillor Webster moved as an amendment "that the first two paragraphs dealing with the letting of the Linenhall premises to Mr. L. J. Elcock & Mr. J. J. Murphy be deleted and be referred back to the Law & Finance Committee for further consideration. Councillor Davis having seconded the Amendment was put, when there voted:-

Voting

For the Amendment.	Against the Amendment.
Alderman J.E. Murphy.	Councillors:- Reddan, P. Carroll.
Councillors:- Mc Cann. Davis. Webster.	L.V. Mc Quillan. Callan. Mc Cabe.
Mc Namara & Murdock. (6).	L. Carroll (6)

As the having taken place the Chairman, Councillor Mc Cann, gave his casting vote in favour of the Amendment which was declared carried, and then put as a substantative motion.

Amendment carried.

Councillor Mc Cann proposed and Councillor Webster seconded that the remaining portion of the Report of the Law & Finance Committee be adopted.

The same was put and declared carried.

Report of Gas Works Committee recommending reduction in price of Coke

The Report of the Gas Works Committee recommending a reduction in the price of Coke as from 10th February from 50/- to 45/- per ton was adopted on the motion of Councillor Mc Cann seconded by Councillor Webster

The following Report of the Bye-Laws & Markets Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Councillor Mc Cabe:-

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Report of By-Laws & Markets Committee

Gentlemen,

We have had under consideration the question of the re-arrangement of the collection of Tolls in the various Markets on Fair and Market Days and recommend the following arrangement:-

Fair Green.	(Fair Days)	Mr. P. Shanley & P. Garvey.
Pig Market	do.	J. Guthrie
Fair Green	(Saturdays.)	
Potato, Vegetable &		
Pig Markets	Do.	P. Shanley & P Garvey.

Appointment of Collectors in Markets

Since the establishment of the Fair Green, Mr. Shanley has been collecting Tolls on Fair Days without receiving extra remuneration, and in addition, for the past 12 months has been collecting Tolls on Market Days in the Fair Green. Mr. Shanley has proved himself very zealous in the collection of Tolls and we recommend that he be paid a salary of £20 per annum for the collection of Tolls on Fair and Market Days. We also recommend a bonus of £20 to him for his services during the past two years in the collection of Tolls.

We also had under consideration the question of compelling the Fish Vendors to sell their fish in the Fish Market. For some considerable time past the Fishmen have refused to comply with the Market Bye-Laws, and take up standings on the principal streets to the annoyance of Shop keepers and pedestrians. Prosecutions have been frequently brought by the Market Inspector but the fines and costs imposed by the District Justice are entirely inadequate and result in a loss to the Corporation. We would suggest that the Law Agent be requested to draw the attention of the Justices to the amount of fines and costs imposed and to press for full penalties in each prosecution.

Dated 11th February 1925.

P. Carroll. Chairman.

Report of Sub-committee in reference to Meals to School Children

The following Report of the Sub committee appointed to meet the School Managers in connection with operation of the Education (Provision of Meals) (Ireland) Act. 1914 to 1917 was read and adopted on the motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Councillor Webster:-

Gentlemen,

We have had two conferences with the Managers of the various National Schools in town and discussed with them the desirability of putting into operation the provisions of the above Act.

As the School Managers did not express any desire to have the Act put into operation we cannot recommend you to strike a rate under the Act.

Dated 22nd February 1925.

Signed:- { L. J. Elcock
{ P. Carroll

£200 paid by Govt. to Mr. D. Reddan under Housing (S.F.) Act 1924

The Report of the Borough Surveyor upon the works carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

Circular letter from Local Government Department intimating further postponement of date of Local Elections was read.

Circular letter from Local Government Department (Housing Dept.) intimating that a sum of £200 had been paid to Mr. D. Reddan, King Street, as a grant for the building of Houses under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act. 1924 read.

Application from Boro Treasurer for six months leave of absence

Application from Boro Treasurer for six months leave of absence was read.

Upon the motion of Councillor Mc Cann seconded by Councillor Mc Cabe it was unanimously agreed to grant a further six months leave of absence to Mr J. J. Keeley.

A Circular Letter from the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland in regard to the Combined Purchasing Scheme was referred to a Special Meeting of the Council.

Letter from Secretary Local Government Dept. acknowledging receipt of Resolution in reference to the establishment of a Local Loans Fund, read. P Mac Cana.

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To consider report of Housing Committee recommending the inviting of Tenders for the erection of 40 Concrete Houses under the Housing (Building Facilities) (Amendment) Act, 1924: and letter from Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland in reference to the Combined Purchase Bill.

Present:-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. McCann.
Councillors :- L. Carroll. J. Davis. D. Reddan.
L. J. Kleock. L. McCabe.

The Notice convening the Meeting was read.

Report of Housing Committee

The following Report of the Housing Committee was read:-

Gentlemen,

We have had under consideration the question of the erection of a cheap type of house in order to relieve somewhat the present housing shortage.

Erection of 40 4 roomed houses

Plans and Specification have been prepared by an Official of the Housing Department for the building of Concrete Houses containing living room, 2 bed-rooms, Cubicle, Scullery, and W.C. and the Local Government Department are prepared to make a grant of £70 in respect of each of these houses under the Housing (Building Facilities) (Amendment) Act, 1924.

It is proposed to erect 40 of these houses on the following sites:

26 at Cromwells Mount.
10 on Northside Bredon Street
4. Frances Street.

We therefore recommend you to invite Tenders for the erection of 40 of these houses, and empower this Committee to deal with the Tenders received and bring in a further detailed Report upon the Scheme

Dated 6th March 1925.

L. J. Kleock.
Chairman.

The Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor McCabe seconded by Councillor Kleock.

Association of Municipal Authorities re Combined Purchasing Bill

Letter from Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland in reference to the Combined Purchase Bill, read:

Councillor McCann explained the provisions of the Bill

After a lengthy discussion Councillor McCann proposed and Councillor Kleock seconded:-

Resolution

"That we protest in the strongest possible manner against the passing of the Combined Purchasing Bill 1925 on the grounds

(1) That it will not attain its object.
(2) That it would encourage abuses that it is supposed to remedy.
(3) That it inflicts a hardship on local traders who are ratepayers"

That copies of the Resolution be sent to the Minister for Local Government, each Member of Seanad Eireann and Mr. J. E. Murphy. L.D.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council in Committee of the Corporation of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday 10th March 1925 at the hour of 8.20 pm.

To meet representatives of the Building Trades and Workers Council to hear their views on the question of the formation of a Workers Building Guild.

Present :-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. Mc Cann.
Councillors :- T. Carroll. J. Davis. D. Reddan. L. J. Elcock. T. Mc Cabe.

Proposals submitted by Representatives of Building Trades & Workers Council for erection of cheap houses

Representatives of the Building Trades and Workers Council attended and submitted the following proposal :-

"To build 4 roomed houses according to Government requirements at a cost which will allow them to be renewed at an agreed rent, provided the Corporation supply money weekly for wages &c.; a certain amount of payment to be deferred each week until completion of job; if the cost exceeds the estimate the loss to be borne by the Workers, if less, tenants to have benefits in reduced rent, the Corporation to supply plant."

A lengthy discussion took place and eventually it was suggested to the delegation to submit a scheme and plans to the Town Clerk when the matter would be further considered.

P. Mac Cann.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday 7th April 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock pm.

Present :-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. Mc Cann.
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen. J.E. Murphy. J.P.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. T. Carroll. R. Webster. R. Murdock. J. Davis. L.J. Elcock. Jno. J. Callan. T. Mc Cabe.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read
The Minutes of the last 3 Meetings were read and confirmed
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed :- Borough Fund £1020 : 12 : 4.
Public Library 18 : 12 : 5.

Report of Housing Committee

The following Report of the Housing Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor J. Davis seconded by Alderman B.E. Allen :-

Gentlemen,

Adverting to our report of the 6th March last we have advertised for tenders for erection of 40 Concrete Houses and have received the following Tenders :-

Tenders for erection of Houses

No. 1.	14	Houses Frances St. & Bredin St.	£26 : 12 : - each
No. 2.	10	" Bredin St.	295 : - : - "
No. 3.	10	" do.	329 : 11 : 10 "
No. 4	40	Houses	278 : 16 : 6 "
No. 5.	40	"	263 : 1 : 6 "

No. 5. Tender that of Mr. John Goganty, Contractor. West St. Drogheda, being the lowest we recommend you to accept same.

Mr. J. Goganty's tender accepted

The Bank of Ireland will be prepared to grant a Loan for a term of 15 years at 4½ % per annum, an in order to carry out the Scheme for erection of 40 houses it will be necessary to apply for a Loan of £7800 made up as follows :-

Contract price for 40 houses	£10.523. : - : -
Add for boundary fences & contingencies	77 : - : -
	£10.600 : - : -
Less Government Grant of £70 per house	2800 : - : -
	£ 7800 : - : -

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Rent of houses fixed at 7/6 per week

Deducting the Government Grant the All-in cost per house will be £195. The fixing of an economic rent on these houses has engaged our serious attention and we find that these houses cannot be let at a less rent than 7/6 per week, the tenants being responsible for payment of Rates. In this connection we recommend that the tenants be allowed the benefit of the remission of Rates in the proportion as allowed under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act. 1924. The rent recommended is of course due to the short term granted for the Loan which must be repaid in 15 years but at the expiration of that time the Council will be in a position to reduce the rent very considerably.

We therefore recommend you to erect 40 Concrete Houses on the sites already decided upon and that the necessary steps be taken to raise a Loan from the Bank of Ireland for this purpose.

Dated 30th March 1925.

S.E. O'Murcada.
Chairman

Report of Gas Works Committee

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. Mc Cann seconded by Councillor L. Mc Cabe :-

Gentlemen,

Sale of Coke

At our Meeting on March 24th last we instructed Secretary to offer ten ton lots of Coke during month of March only at a special price of 40/- per ton at works in order to reduce stock which was deteriorating into breeze. The Special Offer being so successful, we now recommend that for month of April only, lots of six tons or over be sold at special rate of forty shillings per ton at works.

Increase in Salary granted to Collector.

We recommend that Collector James L. Rice be granted an increase of Ten Pounds per annum starting 1st April 1925. for additional work & duties in connection with the Inspection and Registration of both ordinary and prepayment Meters. Present Salary £182 per annum, new Salary £192

Dated 3rd April 1925.

P. Mac Cana.
Chairman.

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Report of Borough Surveyor upon work carried out in his Department during the last month was read.

Fixture of Date of Elections

Copy Order from Local Government Dept. fixing date of Local Elections for 23rd June 1925, read.

Letter from L.G.D. sanctioning the granting of Leases

Letter from Local Government Dept. sanctioning the granting of Leases for 200 years to James Hughes, Margaret Kelly, Jno. J Burke, and Joseph P. Mc Donnell read

The following letter was read and ordered to be inserted in the minutes:-

Franciscan Convent.
Drogheda.
March 6th 1925.

Dear Sir,

Letter from Fr. Nicholas. O.F.M thanking Council for vote of sympathy on death of late Fr. Lynch

On my behalf and on behalf of our community I beg that you will convey to His Worship the Mayor and to the Members of the Municipal Council the expression of our most sincere gratitude for their kind sympathy with us in our great and singular affliction

This terrible blow was all the more keenly felt because the dear Father, with characteristic, cheerful, unselfishness left us till the last quite in the dark as to the serious heart trouble from which he had, for some time been suffering.

With grateful acknowledgements to yourself also,

I am, Dear Sir,
Faithfully Yours.
Fr. Nicholas. O.F.M.

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May 5th

Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday 5th May 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock pm.

Present :-

In the chair :- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. T. Carroll. R. Webster. P. McCann. J. Davis. R. Murdock. D. Reddan. L. J. Elcock. T. McCabe. J.J. Callan

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed :— Borough Fund. £1756-8-1
Public Library a/c. 19-4-2

Report of Law & Finance Committee

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read :-

Gentlemen,

We have had under consideration the question of granting renewal of Leases of property which expired on the 25th March last.

Leases recommended to :-

We recommend that Leases be granted to the following :-

James McAllister

James McAllister. Duke St. House & yard, west side Duke St. Term 50 years at a rent of £5 per year with an expenditure of £600 upon roofing of open yard &c. in accordance with plan & specification submitted

Wm. Boyle.

Wm. Boyle. Duleek Street. Thatched house, yard & shed west side, Duleek St. Term 21 years at a rent of £3 per annum, covenants to keep the premises in a thorough state of repair.

T. Henly

T. Henly Fair St. House & garden, northside. Fair St. Term 21 years at a rent of £15 per year, covenants to expend the sum of at least £200 upon repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor

Jas J. Keeley

James J. Keeley. Fair St. House & garden. northside. Fair St. Term 21 years at a rent of £15 per year, covenants to expend the sum of at least £180 upon repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor.

Miss A. Greene

Miss Alice Greene. Fair St. House & Garden, north side Fair St. Term 21 years at a rent of £15 per year. covenants to expend the sum of at least £150 upon repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor.

We recommend that a right-of-way be reserved for each of the four tenants in Fair St. through the yard in Bolton St. presently in occupation of Mr. Peter Byrne &c as to give admittance to the rere of their houses in Fair St.

R. Usher & Co.

Messrs. Robert Usher & Co. Ltd. Greenhills, premises consisting of the Linen Factory, 2 small slated houses together with 2 vacant building sites. Plans & Specification have been submitted for the building of one two-storied brick house containing 5 apartments with Bath-room, Scullery and pantry and 2 single storied concrete houses with 4 apartments, the estimated cost of which is £1350.

We recommend a Lease to Messrs. R. Usher & Co. of above premises for a term of 75 years at the yearly rent of £15, covenants to build 3 houses in accordance with plans and specification submitted.

Assignments.

We recommend you to agree to the following Assignments :-

J. McDonnell to F.M. Dowd.

Mr. Joseph P. McDonnell to Mrs. Frances M. Dowd of house No. 22 St. Thomas St.

B. McBennett to Mrs. Dumphy.

Mr. Bernard. McBennett to Mrs. Dumphy of house No. 2 of Thomas St.

K. Malone to M. O'Hagan

Mrs. Kate Malone to Mr. Michael O'Hagan of Lease of premises West Street (Lease No. 1388)

Yearly tenancy to Mrs. M.J. Reddan

We recommend a yearly tenancy to Mrs. M. J. Reddan, King St. of small plot of ground at rere of 2 new houses recently erected by her on east side of King St. at a rent of 5/- per year.

Penal rent taken off.

Mrs. M. J. Reddan having fully complied with the building covenant in her lease we recommend that the penal rent of £5 per year be taken off as from the Gale Day commencing 25th March 1925.

Increase in Salary to V. Gallagher

We recommend that Mr. V. Gallagher. Assistant in Town Clerk's Office, be granted an increase of 5/- per week, and that his wages be divided equally between the Borough Fund and Water Works Department.

Upon his application we have agreed to grant Mr. A. Bole, Trinity St. a caretakers Tenancy of plot of ground at rere of his house

Dated 29th April 1925.

P. Macbana. Chairman

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Consideration of Report adjourned

It was agreed to postpone consideration of the portion of the Report dealing with the Leases unto James Mc Allester, Wm. Boyle, F. Henly, J.J. Keeley, Miss Greene, and Messrs R. Usher & Co. Ltd. until the next Council Meeting.

The remaining portion of the report was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mc Cann seconded by Councillor Mc Cabe.

Annual Report of Car Inspector intimating that there are 16 Licensed Vehicles plying for hire all of which are in good condition and fit to have their licenses renewed, read.

Report of Borough Surveyor upon work carried out in his Department during past month, read.

Rate Collectors List of Arrears & Irrecoverable Rates for the half-year ended the 31st March 1925 amounting to Arrears £256=11=7. Irrecoverable Rates £267=18=9 were submitted and approved.

Documents sealed James Nulty

Thos. Byrne

The following documents were this day sealed unto:-

(1.) A Lease unto James Nulty, West St. Drogheda, of a plot of ground with Stables thereon situate at Chester Lane (Fair Green) for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1923 at the yearly rent of £2, covenants to insure in the sum of £200.

2. A Lease unto Thomas Byrne, Duleek St. Drogheda, of Dwellinghouse, yard & outoffices, situate on the west side of Duleek St, for a term of 31 years from the 29th September 1924, at the yearly rent of £4, covenants to insure in the sum of £300.

Agreements with J. Stanley & Mc Hugh Bros. for Petrol Feed Pumps.

3. Agreements with Joseph M. Stanley trading as "Boyne Cinema Garage" and Mc Hugh Brothers, for erection of Petrol Feed Pumps subject to payment of way-leave licence of 1/- per annum.

W. Hughes Grazing tenancy of field

4. An Agreement with William Hughes, Marsh Rd. for grazing tenancy of field on ~~Dublin Road~~ known as the "Workhouse field" for a term of 5 years at a rent of £31:5:0.

Application from Memorial Committee for erection of Celtic Cross

Application from Drogheda & District War Memorial Committee for permission to erect a War Memorial in the form of a Celtic Cross at end of Mary St. read.

Councillor Webster moved ~~2nd~~ Councillor J.J. Callan seconding

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seconding, that permission be granted for the erection of a Celtic Cross at the end of Mary Street subject to plan and specification being submitted for approval.

The same was put and carried unanimously.

Circular letter from Local Government Department relative to Bonuses to Officials was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

A circular letter from Department of Local Government in connection with scale of charges for Hackney Carriages was referred to the Bye-laws & Markets Committee

L.G.D. Sanction to Housing Loan of £7800

Letter from Department of Local Government sanctioning the borrowing of a loan of £7800 from the Bank of Ireland for the erection of 40 Houses, read

L.G.D. Approval of Tender for Houses

Letter from Local Government Department approving of the acceptance of the Tender of Mr. John Fogarty for the erection of 40 Houses for the sum of £10523, read.

T. MacCann

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May 5th.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council in Committee of the Corporation of Drogheda, held in the Court House on Tuesday, 5th May 1925 at the hour of 9 o'clock p.m.

To consider Rate Estimates for the financial year ending 31st March 1926.

Present:-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen :- B.E. Allen.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. T. Carroll. R. Webster. P. Mc Cann. J. Davis. R. Murdock. D. Reddan. L.J. Elcock. T. Mc Cabe. J.J. Callan.

A lengthy discussion took place upon the Rate Estimates and it was decided to refer the matter back to the Law & Finance Committee for further consideration.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Monday 18th May 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

To consider Rate Estimates for financial year ending 31st March 1926.

Present:-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. Mc Cann
Aldermen :- J.E. Murphy L.D.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. R. Webster, D. Reddan. Jno J. Callan. T. Mc Cabe. J. Davis

The Notice convening the Meeting was read.

Report of Law & Finance Committee submitting Rate Estimates for ensuing financial year and recommending a Consolidated Rate of 10/6 in the £ was read.

Councillor Mc Cann proposed and Councillor Webster seconded that a Consolidated Rate of 10/2 in the £ be struck, the Borough Surveyor's Estimate for Road maintenance, tarring and repairs to be reduced by £330 and Municipal property by £118, a total of £448, representing a reduction of 2d in the £.

Rate of 10/2 struck.

The motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

P Mac Cana

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday 2nd June 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock pm.

Present :-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. Mc Cann

Councillors :- R. Webster. R. Murdock. D. Reddan. L. McCabe. L. J. Elcock. P. Carroll.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last 3 Meetings were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed :- Borough Fund :- £135 : 13 : 5
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The portion of the Report of the Law & Finance Committee dated 27th April 1925, adjourned from last Meeting, dealing with the granting of Leases to James Mc Allister, Wm. Boyle, F. Henly, Jas. J. Kelly, Miss A. Greene, and R. Usher & Co. Ltd. was under consideration.

Councillor Mc Cann proposed, Councillor Mc Cabe seconding, that that portion of the Report of the Law & Finance Committee be adopted.

Letter from Councillor J. J. Callan suggesting the postponement for consideration to the new Council of the granting of Leases recommended in the Reports of the Law & Finance Committee dated 27th April and 25th May 1925, read.

Councillor L. J. Elcock moved as an amendment that the Report be adjourned to the next Meeting of the Council.

There being no seconder, the amendment fell through and the motion for the adoption of the Report was put and declared carried.

Report of Law & Finance Committee

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. Mc Cann seconded by Councillor R. Webster :-

Leases recommended.

Gentlemen,

We have had under consideration the question of granting Leases of property which expired on the 25th March last and recommend the following Leases be granted to :-

John Hannon

John Hannon, Greenhills: Lease of house & garden for a term of 31 years at the yearly rent of £16, covenants to expend the

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Greenmount & Boyne Linen Co.

sum of £110 upon repairs. We have reserved a portion of Mr. Hannon's garden for a building site.

Greenmount & Boyne Linen Co. Ltd. Lease of house in occupation of Mr. D. Stevenson, Greenhills, for a term of 31 years at yearly rent of £15 covenants to expend £20 upon repairs.

We also recommend the sale in fee of plot of ground adjoining the Mill premises containing 3 rds. 23 pers. Statute measure, to the Greenmount and Boyne Linen Co. Ltd. for the sum of £120.

In consideration of the Company surrendering the Lease of the field at Greenhills now used by the Corporation as a Gravel Pit, an Agreement was entered into on 1st August 1922 to grant the Company a Lease of this plot for a term of 11 years from the 25th March 1925 at £6 per annum. The Company desires to purchase the fee simple of this plot and we recommend you to agree to a sale for the sum mentioned - £120.

Peter Byrne.

Peter Byrne: Lease of yard and Stabling, Bolton Street for a term of 31 years at the yearly rent of £7-10/- with an expenditure of £100. We recommend that a right-of-way be reserved through this yard for the four tenants in Fair St. in order to give them admission to the rere of their premises.

Mrs. Margt. Berry.

Mrs. Margaret Berry. Lease of House & yard, Bolton St. for a term of 31 years at the yearly rent of £22, and to expend the sum of £120 upon repairs.

Mr. Thos. Molloy.

Mr. Thomas Molloy. Boyne Terrace. Ghord Road. has submitted plan and specification for the building of 2 additional rooms to his house estimated to cost £300, and has applied for a new Lease. Mr. Molloy already holds a Lease of these premises for a term of 31 years at a rent of £20 per annum. In consideration of Mr. Molloy erecting 2 additional rooms to his houses as per plan and specification submitted we recommend you to accept a surrender of his present Lease, and grant him a new Lease for a term of 50 years at a rent of £20 per annum.

Ethel Thorpe to Patk. Caulfield.

We recommend you to agree to the following Assignments :-
Lease of premises Trinity St. from Mrs. Ethel Thorpe to Mr. Patk. Caulfield.

L. Grant to L. Moore & Jn. Canning.

Bull Ring.
Two Leases of premises Dyer St. from Mr. James Laurence Grant to Mr. Laurence Moore, Julianstown, and John Canning, Bushenstown, Co. Meath.

Superannuation Allowance to Dr. T. Parr

We have had under consideration the question of the granting of a superannuation allowance to Dr. Thomas Parr, Medical Officer of St. Peter's No. 3. Dispensary District. Dr. Parr was in receipt of a salary of £8 from the Corporation of £8 per annum, and the Department of Local Government and

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and Public Health have sanctioned a retiring allowance on the basis of 25/60ths. of his salary which amounts to £3:6:8 per annum. We therefore recommend you to grant Dr. Thomas Parr a superannuation allowance of £3:6:8 per year.

We recommend that the following Tenders, being the lowest in each case, be accepted:-

Tenders accepted.

Repairs to Harness - John Callan. West Street.
Winding & Regulating Thalsel block - Messrs. Duffner Bros.
Smith Work - Jas. Cooney. Dominick St. & McCabe & Sons, West St.
the lowest in each item.
Ironmongery. Timber & Cement. - Messrs. A. Murdock & Sons Ltd.
Eve-Shoots, Downpipes etc. - Messrs. Hogan Bros.
Horse-Shoeing - Messrs. Lyons & Son. Peter St.
Coals. - The Drogheda Coal Co.
Erection of 15 yds. Iron Railing, Dublin Road. } The Drogheda Ironworks Co. Ltd. at £4+4:0:0
Printing & Binding Demand Notes & Rate Receipts } The Drogheda Independent Co. Ltd. at £4:5:0.

Dated 25th May 1925.

P. MacCana: Chairman.

Letter read from Drogheda Advertiser in reference to tender of the Drogheda Independent Co. Ltd. for printing of Demand Notes and Rate Receipts.

No order made.

Rate Notices

Upon the Motion of Councillor L. McCabe seconded by Councillor P. Carroll it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council do hereby make, strike, and impose a Borough Rate of Fifty two pence in the pound on the owners, occupiers or tenants of all hereditaments within the Borough rateable for the relief of the Poor upon the annual value thereof, that is to say, Thirty four pence in the pound levied under the provisions of the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Acts, the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and the Acts amending and extending the same, in order to raise the sum of £3811 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses for Town purposes for the year ending the 31st March 1926: Fourteen pence in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (Ireland) Act

1878, and the Acts amending and extending the same in order to raise the sum of £1569, being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses of the Water Supply for the year ending 31st March 1926: One penny in the pound for expenses under the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and Acts amending and extending same in order to raise the sum of £112 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required to meet the expenses of the Child Welfare Scheme for the year ending 31st March 1926: One penny in the pound for expenses under the "Public Libraries Acts 1855 to 1920" in order to raise the sum of £112 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be required for the payment of the expenses to be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the last mentioned Acts for the year ending 31st March 1926: Two pence in the pound for expenses under "The Technical Instruction Act, 1889" and the Agriculture & Technical Instruction Act. 1899" in order to raise the sum of £224 being the amount which the Council has estimated will be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of the said Acts for the year ending 31st March 1926."

"That the Rate Book and all the entries made therein be, and the same is hereby adopted as the Rate Book by the Council, and that the same be duly signed as such, and it is hereby ordered that the said Rates shall be payable on and after the 2nd day of June 1925."

"That the Council do hereby make, strike and impose, upon the occupiers of all property within the Borough a Poor Rate of Seventy pence in the pound upon the annual value of all such property under the Irish Poor Relief Acts, and the Local Government (Ireland) Acts, 1898-1925, in order to raise the sum of £7927, which has been estimated will meet, for the year ending 31st March 1926, the Demand of the County Council, and also the expenses of the Council, to be defrayed out of the Poor Rate, under the last mentioned Acts, and Acts amending and extending the same, and the same shall be payable on and after the 2nd day of June, 1925."

The various Rate Estimates having been submitted and formally approved the Rate Book and Rate Collectors Warrant were duly executed and sealed.

The Site plan, plan of form of bells bases, and Inscription on same were submitted by the Drogheda & District War Memorial Committee for approval.

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Report of Borough Surveyor upon same was also read.

Councillor Webster moved that the plans for the erection of the War Memorial in the form of a Celtic Cross at the end of Mary Street be approved and that the necessary permission for the erection of same be given.

Councillor Cloock having seconded the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Hackney car Licence to Pr. Penders

Upon his application, Peter Penders, 2. Duleek St. was granted a Hackney carriage licence.

Grant of £1052 for improvement of Trunk Road

Letter from Louth County Council intimating that a sum of £1052 had been allocated for the improvement of Trunk Roads within the Borough, read.

Report of Borough Surveyor submitting a Scheme for Bitumen grouting of ~~£~~ 44000 sq. yards of the Dublin - Derry Trunk Road from West Gate to Liberty, Francis St. read.

It was decided to refer the Borough Surveyors Report to the Law & Finance Committee for consideration and to hold a Special Meeting of the Council in Committee to further consider the matter.

Application of Boyne Regatta committee to have the Half-Holiday changed from Thursday 18th June to Tuesday 16th June being second day of the Boyne Regatta, read.

It was unanimously agreed to change the Half-Holiday from Thursday 18th June to Tuesday 16th June and the Town Clerk was directed to advertise the change of Half-Holiday in the local press.

Circular letter from Local Government Department relating to the provisions of the Housing Act 1925.

Circular letter from Local Government Department enclosing copy of regulations with regard to closing of roads temporarily, read

Circular letter from Local Government Department requesting the appointment of representatives on commission enquiring into relief of sick & destitute poor including the insane poor was referred to the new Council for consideration.

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£100 Housing Grant to Jos. McDonnell.

Letter from Housing Department intimating that a sum of £100 had been paid to Mr. Joseph McDonnell, 224. Thomas Street, as a grant under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act 1924. read.

Joseph Carr
Town Clerk
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June 9th

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday 9th June 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock pm

To consider Borough Surveyor's Scheme for the improvement of Mell Trunk Road.

Present :-

In the Chair :- Councillor P. McCann

Councillors :- P. Carroll. T. Carroll. J. Davis. T. McCabe. J.J. Callan. L.J. Elcock.

The Notice convening the Meeting was read.

Report of Law & Finance Committee

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Councillor T. McCabe :-

"Gentlemen,

Bitumen Grouting of Mell Road

We have had under consideration the Borough Surveyor's Scheme for bitumen grouting of 44400 sq. yds. of the Mell Road and having gone into the matter carefully, recommend that the Scheme be adopted.

Dated 5th June 1925.

P. Carroll.
Chairman"

Joseph Carr
Town Clerk
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Minutes of a Statutory Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 30th June 1925 at the hour of 12 o'clock noon.

In the absence of His Worship the Mayor Alderman P. Monahan, the Town Clerk presided at the Meeting.

Present

Aldermen :- D.E. Allen. J. Davis. P. Lyons. R. Webster. T. Burke. R. Murdock.

Councillors :- L.J. Elcock. W.P. Allan. E. Mullen. T. Bennett. J. Bennett. D. Reddan. J. Dowd. M. McConnon. P.B. Moore. P. Carroll. J.J. Callan. E. McArdle. D. Blood. T. Carroll. P. Byrne. P. Anderson. P.J. McNamara. M. McGowan.

The Notice convening the Meeting was read.

The Minutes of the last 2 Meetings were read and signed.

Election of Mayor.

Councillor McArdle proposed and Councillor J.J. Callan seconded that Councillor L.J. Elcock be elected Mayor for the year ended 23rd January 1926: Councillor Blood proposed, ~~and~~ Councillor P. Byrne seconding, the election of Councillor E. Mullen: Councillor T. Carroll proposed, Alderman Burke seconding, the election of Councillor P. Carroll; and Councillor T. Bennett proposed and Councillor J. Bennett seconded the election of Councillor Peter B. Moore.

On a Poll there voted for :-

Elcock :- Aldermen R. Webster, J. Davis, R. Murdock, D.E. Allen, P. Lyons.
Councillors :- J.J. Callan, D. Reddan, J. Dowd, P.J. McNamara, P. Anderson, E. McArdle. (11)

Mullen :- Councillors :- M. McGowan, D. Blood, W. Allan, P. Byrne, E. Mullen. (5)

P. Carroll :- Alderman T. Burke. Councillors T. Carroll, M. McConnon. (3)

P.B. Moore : Councillors T. Bennett, J. Bennett. (2)

Councillor L.J. Elcock elected.

Councillor L.J. Elcock, having a clear majority over the rest of the Members proposed, was declared duly elected Mayor for the year ending 23rd January 1926.

Having made a declaration of Acceptance of Office, the Chair was then taken by the newly elected Mayor.

The following Committees were appointed for the year ending

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Bye-Laws & Markets Committee.
His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- R. Murdock. B.E. Allen.
Councillors :- J. Dowd. P. Mc Namara. M. Mc Govan. P.B Moore.
M. Mc Connon. P. Carroll.

Law & Finance Committee.
His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- J. Davis. P. Lyons.
Councillors :- E. McArdle. J. Dowd. P. Anderson. P. Carroll.
E. Mullen. W.P. Allan.

Gas Works Committee.
His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- P. Lyons. T. Burke. R. Webster.
Councillors :- D. Blood. E. Mullen. D. Redden. Jas. Bennett.
T. Bennett.

Housing Committee.
His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- P. Lyons. B.E. Allen. R. Murdock.
Councillors :- T. Bennett. E. Mullen. D. Blood. T. Carroll.
M. Mc Connon.

Water Works Committee.
His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen :- R. Murdock. T. Burke.
Councillors :- P. Mc Namara. J.J. Callan. D. Redden.
M. McGowan. P. Byrne. W.P. Allan.

School Attendance Committee
~~His Worship the Mayor~~.
Councillors :- P. Mc Namara. P. Anderson. W.P. Allan.
E. Mullen. P.B. Moore.

Technical Instruction & Public Library Committee
His Worship the Mayor.
Councillors :- Jas. Bennett. D. Redden. P.B. Moore, T. Carroll.
D. Blood. W.P. Allan.
Rt. Rev. Mgr. P. Degrave. P.P. V.J. Rev. J. Nulty P.P.
Rev. L.A. Brunskill. Chancellor. L.P.T. Ledoux.
Messrs :- M.A. Casey. T. Mc Cabe.

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Old Age Pensions Committee
His Worship the Mayor.
Alderman J. Davis
Councillors :- M. Mc Connon. P. Anderson. D. Blood. P.B Moore.
Rt. Rev. Mgr. P. Degrave. P.P. V.J. Rev. J. Nulty P.P. Rev. L.A. Brunskill.
Rev. Chancellor L.P.T. Ledoux.

On the motion of alderman R. Webster seconded by Councillor T. Carroll it was unanimously resolved :-

"That the remaining Quarterly Meetings of the Council be held at 8 o'clock p.m. on the 7th July and 6th October 1925."

Thos. J. Clark
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Minutes of a Quarterly Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 7th day of July 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor.

Aldermen :- L. Burke. R. Webster. B.E. Allen. R. Murdock
J. Davis. P. Lyons.

Councillors :- P. Carroll. L. Carroll. W.P. Allan. M. McConnon
J. Bennett. J.J. Callan. D. Blood. P. Byrne. E. Mullen
J. Dowd. P. Anderson. E. McArdle. T. Bennett.
P. McNamara

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed:- Borough Fund a/c £1046 : 3 : 2
Public Library a/c £ 7 : 19 : 1
Artizans Dwellings Loan a/c £ 800 : - : -

Councillor J. Callans Notice of Motion withdrawn.

With the consent of the Council the following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor J.J. Callan was withdrawn:

"That the last Report of the last Law & Finance Committee be rescinded and that the new Law & Finance Committee deal with all Leases and other matters contained in said Report."

Report of Market Inspector.

The following Report of Market Inspector was read:-

"Gentlemen,

At District Court held on Monday 8th June
Denis Rath. Blogherhead was fined 10/- & 10/- costs
Laurence Owens, Blogherhead, was fined 10/- & 20/- costs
Jeriah Gorman. do, was fined 10/- & 10/- costs
for taking up standings with carts on the public streets and selling fish.

At Court held on 22nd June. Peter Hunk was fined 10/- & 15/- costs for same offence."

P. Weldon. Inspector.

It was decided to refer the Report to the Bye-Laws & Markets Committee to consider the advisibility of utilizing the Meat Market as a Fish Market.

Mortgage with Bank of Ireland to secure sum of £7800.

Alderman J. Davis moved and Councillor P. Carroll seconded:-
"That this Corporation approves of a Mortgage from the Corporation to the Governor & Company of the Bank of Ireland to secure the sum of £7800 and interest at 4½%, the draft of which Mortgage has already been approved of on behalf of the Corporation by its Solicitor and it is further Resolved that the Seal of the Corporation be and it is hereby directed to be affixed to the said Mortgage."

The motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Mortgage executed

The Mortgage to the Bank of Ireland to secure the sum of £7800 was duly signed and executed.

A List of Tenements requiring revision of Valuation were submitted and approved.

Letter from L.G.D re Road Grant

The following letter from the Department of Local Government and Public Health was read:-

"With reference to the County Surveyors letter of the 22nd instant. and enclosures, I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to state that he has approved of the scheme for the improvement of Trunk Roads proposed to be carried out by the Drogheda Urban District Council under the terms of the Ministers letter (L.G. 6/202) dated 29th April, 1925. The work should be carried out by Direct Labour at a rate of 40/- per week to men employed on work under the Grant, with the exception of two men employed with Roller and one man as Special Spreader.

The "Works Number" shown on the back of this letter has been assigned to the scheme submitted, and should be quoted in the Requisitions (Form 9%) for instalments of the Grant and in correspondence

a Statement will be required in due course giving the total number of men employd on the work, distinguishing the number of demobilized men of the National Army.

By careful attention to the conditions governing the Grant, correspondence will be minimised as much as possible and the work carried out without interruption.

The approval notified in this letter is conditional on the acceptance

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acceptance of the above rate of wages and on preference being given to demobolised men of the National Army, suitable and willing to undertake road work.

A Supply of Requisitions (Form No. 97) is enclosed."

A length discussion took place upon the question of the rate of wages to be paid. Eventually the following resolution was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor E. McArdle seconded by Councillor J. J. Callan:-

Deputation appointed to interview L.G.D. re conditions of Road Grant

"That a deputation from this Council wait upon the Government to discuss the conditions stated in the Road Grant".

Councillor J. J. Callan moved, Councillor P. Byrne seconding, that the following Members be appointed as a deputation to wait upon the Minister of Local Government & Public Health:- His Worship the Mayor. Councillors:- E. Mullen, D. Blood & E. McArdle.

A Letter from the Local Government Department enclosing copy of the Housing (Local Assistance) Order 1925 was referred to the Housing Committee.

Letter from Local Government Department requesting the appointment ~~on commission~~ of representatives on commission enquiring into the relief of sick and destitute poor including the insane poor.

Councillor E. McArdle moved and Alderman Davis seconded that Councillors Blood and Anderson with the Medical Superintendent Officer of Health be appointed as representatives on the commission.

The following letter was read and ordered to be inserted in the Minutes:-

Letter from P. Monahan

My Dear Town Clerk,

Will you please convey to the Members of the Corporation my extreme regret that I was unable to be present at its first Meeting. I did not think it would meet till later in the week. Your notice only reached me late on Monday evening when it was impossible to get to Drogheda in time.

I should like at the same time to express to you and your colleagues on the staff my thanks for the great assistance I always received from the officials of the Corporation:

Sincerely Yours, Philip Monahan.

Resignation of M.A. Casey from Library Committee.

Letter read from M.A. Casey tendering his resignation as a Member of the Technical Instruction and Public Library Committee.

P. McCann appointed

It was unanimously decided on the motion of Alderman J. Davis seconded by Councillor E. Mullen that Mr. P. McCann, Mary Street, be appointed on the Committee in room of Mr. M.A. Casey.

R. Murdock appointed on Gas Works Committee

By unanimous consent Alderman R. Murdock was appointed on the Gas Works Committee in room of Alderman Webster.

Archbishop Mannix invited to Drogheda to receive Honorary Freedom

The Suspension of the Standing Orders having been moved, Councillor P. Carroll proposed that in accordance with the resolution of the 17th August 1920 the Town Clerk be instructed to invite Archbishop Mannix to attend in Drogheda for the purpose of conferring the Freedom of the Borough upon him and to sign the Honorary Freemans Roll and in the event of his Grace being unable to attend here that the Mayor and Members of the Council wait upon him to have his name inscribed on the Freeman's Roll.

Councillor E. McArdle having seconded, the motion was declared carried unanimously.

On the Motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Alderman J. Davis a vote of condolence was unanimously passed with Councillor L. Berrill upon the death of his Brother.

[signature]

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 4th day of August 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock pm.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor.
Aldermen :- T. Burke. D.E. Allen. R. Webster. J. Davis. P. Lyons.
Councillors :- P. Carroll. T. Carroll. W.P. Allen. P.B. Moore.
J. Bennett. D. Blood. P. Byrne. E. Mullen. J.J. Callan
J. Dowd. P. Anderson. D. Reddan.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed:- Borough Fund £9 39 = 13 = 9.
Public Library a/c 8 = 10 = 0.
Artizans Dwelling Loans a/c £1250 = 0 = 0.

Report of Law & Finance Committee.

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of Alderman J. Davis seconded by Councillor P.B. Moore:-

Gentlemen,

Lease recommended to Mrs. Mc Donnell.

We beg to report that Mrs. Rose McDonnell, Fair St. has agreed to accept the terms for Lease of Licensed premises at corner of Fair St. and Dolton St. together with four weekly tenements in Dolton St. These premises were comprised in a Lease which expired on the 25th March last. We recommend that Mrs. McDonnell be granted a Lease for a term of 31 years from the 25th March last of above premises at a rent of £18 per annum, conditional upon her expending a sum of £125 upon the Licensed premises and a sum of £125 upon the 4 cottages in accordance with the specification submitted.

Assignment: D.P. Cullen to Jos. Byrne.

We have agreed to assent to an assignment of the Lease of premises Lawrence St. from Mr. Simon P. Cullen to Mr. Joseph Byrne. Greenhills.

£10 granted to Jas. Hanratty for damage to property

Mr. James Hanratty, 17 Hand St. a weekly tenant of the Corporation has made a claim for £10 for damage to his furniture by collapse of a wall. Having made enquiries into the matter, we recommend that a sum of £10 be paid to Mr. Hanratty in discharge of his claim.

Dated 29th July 1925.

L.J. Elcock: Chairman.

Report of Housing Committee

Re erection of concrete wall on Fr. Nulty's property.

The following Report of the Housing Committee was read:-

Gentlemen.

We have had under consideration an application from Very Rev. J. Nulty P.P., St. Mary's, for the erection of a light concrete wall on the field at Sunnyside upon which 26 concrete Houses are to be erected in accordance with the present building Scheme. Under the scheme, provision was made for the erection of a wire railing fence, but we have come to the conclusion that such fence would not be adequate to protect Fr. Nulty's adjoining property, and besides the annual outlay in maintaining such a light fence would be costly. For these reasons we recommend that a light concrete wall be erected on the Sunnyside field, and that tenders be invited for same.

We are considering the question of undertaking a further building scheme, and as soon as we have details as to sites and types of houses completed, we will submit a detailed report at a later date.

Dated 29th July 1925.

L.J. Elcock: Chairman.

Councillor E. Mullen proposed and Alderman D.E. Allen seconded that the Report be adopted.

Councillor P.B. Moore proposed as an amendment, Councillor J. Dowd seconding, that the Report be referred back to the Housing Committee for further consideration.

On a division these voted:-

For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
Aldermen: T. Burke. P. Lyons.	Aldermen:- R. Webster. J. Davis. D.E. Allen
Councillors:- T. Carroll. W.P. Allen.	Councillors:- P. Carroll. J.J. Callan.
J. Bennett. J. Dowd. P. Anderson.	D. Blood. P. Byrne. E. Mullen. D. Reddan
P.B. Moore (8)	(9)

The Amendment having been lost by nine votes to eight, the motion for the adoption of the Report was put and declared carried, the same members voting against the adoption of the Report as voted for the amendment.

Report of Gas Works Committee

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor J. Bennett:-

Gentlemen,

We recommend that the price of Coke in Works for all quantities from ¼ cwt. upwards be at the rate of forty shillings per ton from 10th inst.

We

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Tenders

We also recommend acceptance of Tenders of James McKelvie & Co. Liverpool, for the supply of about 2000 tons Double Screened Barnsley Main Gas Coal at 24/- per ton. b.d.t. Drogheda taken as required during period ending 30th June 1926, less usual 1/- per ton discharge.

John McCall & Co. Monlesson, Kells. lowest tender for 30 tons of Oxide of Iron (Bog Ore) at 38/- per ton delivered Railway Station, Drogheda

Drogheda Advertiser, Peter St. lowest tender for the supply of 10.000 new Gas a/c forms at £4:12:6 nett.

R. J. Bartlett, 55 Lr. Strand Street, Dublin, remaking Bell of Station Governor, £7:5/- nett, carriage paid to Drogheda: lowest tender received.

Messrs. W. & J. Hughes, Painters & Contractors, for glazing and painting of 60 Street Lamps for sum of £11:6/- being lowest tender of two received in response to advertisement in Local Papers.

Dated 30th July 1925

Luke J. Cleock: Chairman.

A Report of the Borough Surveyor upon work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

Notice of Motion re supply of copies of important letters to Members

Pursuant to notice of motion, Alderman L. Burke moved

"That copies of all letters of public importance shall be circulated to the members together with the Agenda."

Councillor P. Carroll having seconded. the motion was put and declared carried, Aldermen Davis and B.E. Allen dissenting.

Notice of Motion re Section 41 of L.G. act 1925

Pursuant to Notice of Motion, Councillor P. Carroll moved

"That this Council protests against Section 41, Local Government Act 1925, which introduces a political test, interfering with the efficient administration and rights of Public Bodies to elect and promote officials, strictly according to merit and length of service, and in the interest of efficiency in the public service we demand the abolition of such tests."

Councillor L. Carroll having seconded, the motion was put, when there voted:-

For the Motion	Against the Motion
Ald. L. Burke: Councillors P Carroll.	Aldermen:- R. Webster. J. Davis. B.E. Allen. P. Lyon
L. Carroll. P. Anderson. E. Mullen.	Councillors:- W. P. Allen. J. Bennett. J. J. Callan.
(5)	J. Dowd. P. B. Moore. D. Reddan. (10)

Councillors D. Blood and P. Byrne declined to vote.

The Motion was accordingly declared lost by 10 votes to 5.

Notice of Motion re Unemployment

Pursuant to Notice of motion, Councillor E. Mullen moved

"That we, the Drogheda Corporation, believing that the present grave situation, consequent upon prolonged unemployment amongst the workers, and the withdrawal of the Unemployment Insurance Benefit demands our immediate and serious consideration, hereby resolve to do everything in our power as a Council to create employment and incidentally to alleviate distress."

Councillor P. Byrne having seconded, the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Arising out of Councillor E. Mullens' Notice of Motion, it was decided that the Law & Finance Committee enquire into schemes for special work and if considered necessary to co-opt other Members of the Council on the Committee with a view to helping them in the matter.

Letter read from Dr. P. D. McCullen intimating his intention not to avail of Part IV of the Local Government Act 1925, with the exceptions of sections 43, 46, 49, 50, 53, 54, 55 & 56.

No order made.

Letter from Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland requesting the appointment of 2 Representatives to attend the annual conference to be held in Dublin on 15th September next.

His Worship the Mayor, Councillor E. Mullen and the Town Clerk were appointed as delegates to attend the annual conference.

Circular letter from Local Government Department enclosing copy of the Petrol Pumps (Fees) Regulations, 1925.

Upon his application the Town Clerk was granted his annual holidays on the motion of Alderman Davis seconded by Alderman B. E. Allen.

The following letter was read from Archbishop Mannix and ordered to be inserted on the Minutes on the motion of Councillor J.J. Callan seconded by Councillor P. Carroll:-

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Letter from Dr. Mannix

"My Dear Mr. Carr,

Will you be good enough to convey to the Mayor and Members of your Council the expression of my most grateful thanks for the action which they have taken to mark my home-coming.

I hope it will be possible to arrange a convenient date, probably in August, to come to Drogheda and receive the Freedom of the Borough.

I am,
My dear Mr. Carr,
faithfully Yours.
D. Mannix.

Agreement with John J Fogarty for erection of 40 houses executed

An Agreement to John J. Fogarty, Contractor, for the erection of 40 Concrete Houses for the sum of £10,523, was this day executed.

A Petition from the Legion of Ex-Servicemen, Drogheda Branch, in reference to the building of houses was discussed.

No order made.

The Borough Surveyor was instructed to bring in a Report on the filling in of land adjoining the Rampart.

Clerk

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Monday 17th August 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

To consider letter from Local Government Department in connection with Trunk Road Grant.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen:- T. Burke. J. Davis. R. Webster.
Councillors:- P. Carroll. M. McConnon. W.P. Allen. D. Blood. J. Bennett. P. Byrne. E. Mullen. J.J. Callan. J. Dowd. P. Anderson. E. McArdle.

The Notice convening the Meeting was read.

Letter from L.G.D. re Road Grant

The following letter was read:-

A Chara. (Trunk Road Grant £450.000. South Co. Allocation £9.9000)

With further reference to your letter of the 29th ultimo in relation to the rate of wages to be paid under the scheme of road improvement submitted by Drogheda Corporation in connection with the sum of £1052 allotted to them out of the above-mentioned Grant, I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to refer to the first and penultimate paragraphs of his letter of the 26th June last, and to state that the conditions laid down therein cannot be varied.

It is understood that no difficulty was experienced last year in obtaining labourers, at the authorized rate of wages, viz.. 40/- a week".

His Worship the Mayor proposed that the Road Grant be accepted in accordance with the terms set out in the letter from the Local Government Dept. dated 26th June last.

Alderman R. Webster seconded.

Councillor Mullen proposed as an amendment, Councillor Byrne seconding, that the Grant be not accepted.

On a division there voted:-

For the Amendment.	Against the Amendment.
Alderman T. Burke	His Worship the Mayor
Councillors:- P. Carroll	Aldermen:- J. Davis. R. Webster
E. Mullen. P. Byrne.	Councillors:- M. McConnon. W.P. Allen. J.J. Callan. D. Blood. J. Bennett. J. Dowd. P. Anderson. E. McArdle (11)
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The amendment was declared lost by 11 votes to 10 and the original motion having been put was declared carried by the same voting.

Electric current to Greenmount & Boyne Linen Co.

As a matter of pressing importance the application of the Greenmount & Boyne Linen Co. to take an overhead Electric cable. across the Roadway at Greenhills was read.

Councillor J. J. Callan proposed and Councillor Mc Connon seconded that ~~the~~ provisional permission be given to the Company to erect the overhead Electric cable.

The Motion was put and declared carried.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday the 1st day of September 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock pm.

Present :-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen :- J. Burke. J. Davis.
Councillors :- J. Carroll. P. Carroll. M. Mc Connon. W. P. Allen. P. Boyne. P. B Moore. J. Bevill. J. Dowd, E. McArdle. P. McNamara, P. Anderson. J. J. Callan. E. Mullen. D. J. Blood.

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last 2 Meetings were read and confirmed
Wages Sheet examined and passed
Payments passed :- Borough Fund £6068 : 8 : 11
Public Library a/c. 11 : 5 : 9

Report of Law & Finance Committee

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman J. Davis:-

Gentlemen,

Lease granted to Greenmount & Boyne Linen Co. to take Electric Cable across Road

We have had under consideration the application of the Greenmount & Boyne Linen Co. to take an overhead electric cable across the road at Greenhills and recommend that the necessary permission be given to the Company on the understanding that an Agreement be entered into to take down the Electric cable, if required to do so, upon receiving 12 Months notice and to pay a wayleave rent of 1/- per annum.

Lease recommended to Miss A Shells

We recommend that a Lease be granted to Miss Annie Shells of house and garden at Greenhills for a term of 21 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £20 covenants to expend the sum of £180 upon repairs as specified by the Borough Surveyor.

Dated 19th August 1925.

Luke J. Elcock: Chairman.

Report of Gas Works Committee

The following Report of the Gas Works Committee was read and unanimously adopted on the motion of his Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor P. Mc Namara :-

Gentlemen,

New Gas Main from Marsh Rd. to Sunnyside.

We recommend that a new Gas Main starting 3" diameter reducing to 2" diameter be connected from 12" Main on Marsh Road to Sunnyside area

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and connecting on to present supply to St. Mary's cottages to improve pressure on them and also to supply new houses built by Barnes Trust and the cottages at present being built by the Corporation. The approximate cost will be £500 and it is estimated that if all the new houses use Gas there will be an income of £200 per annum at present price of Gas.

We also recommend that a branch Gas supply pipe be connected from 2" Main on Boolagh St. to St. Patricks cottages, approximate cost £106. We recommend that half-night Lamps as lighted last season be lighted from 1st September.

Dated 26th August 1925.

Luke J. Elcock
Chairman.

The following Report of the Borough Surveyor was read:-

"Gentlemen,

The Steam Roller is at present working on Trinity St. and the laying of a new pipe Sewer at Magdalene St. is in progress for the past 10 days.

I had 26 yards of a six inch pipe drain laid on the Marsh Road to divert the surface water from the old quarry to the Main Sewer in Ship St.

Regarding the proposal to deposit the town refuse in the dykes along the Rampart, I attach letter received from the owners Messrs. Spicer & Co. Navan.

The M.S.O.H. is of opinion that the dumping of refuse along the Rampart would be objectionable and insanitary."

Your obedient Servant.
Jno. J. Burke.

Ordered that the Borough Surveyor interview the various contractors with a view to seeing if they would deposit refuse along the Rampart and to report to next Meeting.

Notice of Motion

Pursuant to notice of Motion, Councillor Mullen moved

"That lists be prepared and supplied to each member of this Council showing the names of all persons employed by the several departments of the Corporation, the work which they are employed to do, and wages or salary, bonus emoluments and other perquisites which they receive."

List of persons employed by Council - salaries &c

Councillor J. J. Callan having seconded the motion was put and declared carried unanimously.

Letter from Dr. Mannix re date of visit to town

Letter from His Grace, Most. Rev. Dr. Mannix intimating that he would

attend in Drogheda on Tuesday 8th September to receive the Honorary Freedom of the Borough, read.

A Committee consisting of His Worship the Mayor, Councillors P. Carroll, J. Dowd, P. Coyne & E. Mullen was appointed to arrange details for the reception of ~~His~~ Dr. Mannix.

Upon his application the Borough Surveyor was granted annual holidays.

Councillor J. J. Callan proposed a vote of condolence to the parents of John Francis Mc Veigh who lost his life on Sunday 23rd August in rescuing a youth from the River Boyne.

Alderman J. Davis having seconded the motion was put and carried in silence.

The Town Clerk was directed to bring under the Notice of the Royal Humane Society and the Carnegie Hero Fund Trust the heroic action of John Mc Veigh and Mathew Flanagan in saving persons from drowning in the River Boyne.

Lease sealed to Mrs. Mc Donnell

A Lease was this day sealed unto:-

Mrs. Rose Mc Donnell of the Licensed premises situate at the Junction of Fair St. and Bolton St. together with four dwellinghouses adjoining and situate in Bolton St. for a Term of 31 years from the 25th March 1925 at the yearly rent of £18 covenants to expend a sum of £125 on repairs in respect of the Licensed premises and expend a sum of £125 in respect of the four dwellinghouses and to insure in the sum of £1000.

Luke J. Elcock
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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Ball Room, Mayoralty House, on Tuesday the 8th September 1925 at the hour of 4 o'clock pm.

To confer upon His Grace, the Most Rev. Dr. Mannix, Archbishop of Melbourne, the Honorary Freedom of the Borough of Drogheda.

Present :-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen :- L. Burke.
Councillors :- L. Carroll. P. Carroll. J. Dowd. J. Derrill, P.B. Moore. E. McArdle, P. Byrne, E. Mullen. D. Blood. P. McNamara W.P. Allen. J.J. Callan.

The Notice convening the Meeting was read.

Honorary Freedom of Borough of Drogheda conferred on His Grace, the Most Rev Dr. Mannix Archbishop of Melbourne

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor L.J. Elcock) proposed "That in pursuance of the Resolution of the Council of the 17th August 1920, we the Corporation of Drogheda in exercise of the powers conferred by the Municipal Privileges Act 1876 do hereby admit His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Mannix, Archbishop of Melbourne, as an Honorary Freeman of this Borough in recognition of his very distinguished career and of the exalted position which he holds in the Church".

The Motion having been seconded by Councillor J.J. Callan it was put and declared unanimously carried, whereupon His Grace Archbishop Mannix signed the Honorary Roll of Freemen.

Andrew Mannix

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday 6th October 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock pm.

Present :-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen :- L. Burke. R. Webster. J. Davis. R. Murdock.
Councillors :- L. Carroll, P. Carroll, M. McConnon, W.P. Allen. D. Blood, P.B. Moore. J. Derrill, D. Reddan. J. Dowd. E. McArdle, J.J. Callan. E. Mullen. P. Byrne, P. Anderson. M. McGowan

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last 2 Meetings were read & confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined & passed.
Payments passed :- Borough Fund £1430 : 13 : 1
Public Library £ : 19 : 5
Artizans Dwellings Loan £ 2200 : 0 : 0.

Report of Law & Finance Committee

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read :-

Gentlemen,

We have received an application from Mr. M. Rhynes for lease of building site at North Road. Mr. Rhynes submitted plan & specification for the building of a four-roomed house and we have approved of same. Portion of the site proposed to be leased to Mr. Rhynes is used as a garden by one of your weekly tenants named Joseph Gulfoyle who is not prepared to hand up possession. We have instructed the Law Agent to institute proceedings against Gulfoyle for possession of the plot in question.

Re J. Gulfoyle's claim to portion of garden north Road.

We therefore recommend you to grant Mr. Rhynes a Lease for a term of 200 years at the yearly rent of £2 conditional upon his erecting a substantial dwellinghouse ~~on~~ in accordance with plan and specification submitted.

Lease recommended to Mr. Rhynes

We recommend you to assent to the Assignment of house in Thomas St. from Mrs. Wall to Mr. B. Sutton.

Assignment Mrs. Wall to B. Sutton

We have received applications from various Fire Insurance Offices for a transfer of the Insurance business of the Corporation. All your Insurance business is presently put through the Hibernian Fire & General Insurance Co. but having regard to the recent change in this office, we recommend that all the Fire Insurances be transferred to the Irish National Assurance Co. Dublin, and that the Employers Liability & Third Party Risk Insurances be transferred to the Ocean Accident

Transfer of Corporation Insurances

and

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& Guarantee Co. Ltd.

Dated 28th September 1925

Luke J. Elcock: Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor proposed & Councillor Dowd seconded the adoption of the Report.

Councillor D. Blood moved as an amendment, Councillor P. Byrne seconding, that the first paragraph of the report dealing with lease to Mr. Wynes be referred back to the Committee.

On a division there voted:-

For the Amendment.	Against the amendment.
Aldermen:- L. Burke, R. Murdock. R. Webster.	Alderman J. Daws (1)
Councillors:- D. Blood. W.P. Allen. P. Anderson. P. Byrne, J. Bennell. J.J. Callan. P. Carroll. L. Carroll, J. Dowd. P.B. Moore. E. Mullen. E. McArdle, M. McConnon, M. Mc Govern. D. Reddan. (18)	

The amendment was declared carried by 18 votes to 1.

Councillor D. Reddan moved, Councillor L. Carroll seconding that the final paragraph of the Report of the Law & Finance Committee dealing with the transfer of the Insurance business be referred back to the Committee.

On a division there voted:-

For the amendment	Against the Amendment.
Alderman Burke.	Aldermen:- J. Daws. R. Murdock. R. Webster
Councillors:- D. Blood. J.J. Callan. L. Carroll. P.B. Moore. D. Reddan. (6)	Councillors:- P. Anderson. J. Bennell, P. Byrne, P. Carroll. J. Dowd. E. Mullen. E. McArdle. M. McConnon. M. Mc Govern (12)

Councillor W.P. Allen declined to vote.

The Amendment was declared lost by 12 votes to 6.

The motion for the adoption of the Report with the exception of the first paragraph was put & declared carried.

Report of Borough Surveyor upon the work carried out in his Department during the past month was read.

Death of P.J. Fitzpatrick Gas Manager.

The Town Clerk reported the death of Mr. P.J. Fitzpatrick Manager & Secretary Gas Works Department.

It was unanimously agreed to refer the terms of appointment of a

Gas Manager to the Law & Finance & Gas Works Committees.

Notice of motion

Pursuant to notice of motion Councillor M. Mc Govern moved:-

"That this meeting of the Drogheda Corporation realizing that (large numbers) of) citizens able and willing to work have been unemployed for long periods, that the great majority of them are now deprived of Unemployment Benefit and are left entirely without resources except charity or Poor Law Relief, and that there is little prospect of their being able to obtain work in the near future, declares that the situation constitutes a serious national emergency, and demands that the Government should take immediate steps to initiate productive works to give employment at full Trade Union rates and to provide full maintenance for those for whom work cannot be found, and that the Dail & Seanad should be summoned to meet without delay in order to give legislative authority for the measures required"

Unemployment

Councillor E. Mullen seconded the motion.

On the motion being put there voted:-

For the motion	Against the motion
Councillors:- W.P. Allen. D. Blood. P. Byrne. J.J. Callan. J. Dowd. P.B. Moore E. Mullen. M. Mc Govern. D. Reddan. (9)	Alderman R. Webster. (1)

The following declined to vote:-

Aldermen:- J. Daws. L. Burke. R. Murdock.

Councillors. P. Carroll. L. Carroll. P. Anderson. J. Bennell. E. McArdle. M. McConnon.

The motion was declared carried by 9 votes to 1.

Notice of motion covering of Dale Brook

Pursuant to notice of motion Alderman Burke moved

"That this Council instruct its Engineer to inspect the Dale Brook and to send in a Report of the probable cost which would be incurred to have said brook closed over:

(a) From St. Patricks Well to Dale Arch

(b) " St. Marys Steps " "

(b) " Crossing nearest houses "

Councillor L. Carroll having seconded the motion was put and declared carried unanimously

Notice of Motion Re fencing of small park at Nun's Walk

Pursuant to notice of motion Councillor W.P. Allen moved and Councillor P. Byrne seconded:-

"That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to lay out and fence

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a small park on a vacant site at Nuns Walk."

After a lengthy discussion it was unanimously agreed to adjourn consideration of Councillor Allens motion pending the submission of a Report by the Borough Surveyor as to the cost of laying out and fencing a small park in Nuns Walk.

Further six months leave of absence granted to Jas. J. Kelley. Boro' Treasurer.

Application from J. J. Kelly, Borough Treasurer, for a further six months leave of absence read.

On the motion of Councillor P. B. Moore seconded by Councillor M. McConnon it was unanimously agreed to grant Mr. Kelly a further six months leave of absence.

Resignation of Rev. Chane. Ledoux from Committees

Letter from Rev. Chancellor Ledoux tendering his resignation as a member of the various Committees upon which he was appointed.

Councillor E. McArdle proposed and Councillor W.P. Allen seconded:-

"That we accept with regret the resignation of Rev. Chane. Ledoux and that we record our appreciation of the manner in which he discharged his public duty on the Committees on which he was elected. That the Town Clerk convey this to Chancellor Ledoux."

It was decided to adjourn consideration of the appointment of a member on the Old Age Pensions & Technichal Instructions Committees in lieu of Rev Chancellor Ledoux.

A circular letter from the Roads Department in reference to the cutting of Hedges & Trees was referred to the Borough Surveyor.

A circular letter from the Local Government Department re financial accommodation to Local Authorities was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Application from Newry to Dublin Motor Service for Licence to ply for hire with charra-bane was referred to the Bye-Laws & Markets Committee.

The following letter was read :-

"Adverting to your letter of the 1st. instant and previous correspondence on the subject, I am authorized by the Trust to assure

Letter from Sailors & Soldiers Land Trust re building of houses

the Corporation that they propose to complete the building of houses at Drogheda within the two years specified by Mr. Carr at an interview at this Office on the 3rd September. Should the Corporation desire to press for a formal and legal undertaking to this effect, the Trust are prepared to give the same, but it is assumed that the above assurance will enable the Corporation to complete the transaction and execute the conveyance without delay.

As we are most anxious to obtain possession of the land at an early date, in order to prepare the necessary lay-out and to commence building operations as soon as possible, I have to request that the Corporation will be so good as to expedite the completion of the conveyance.

I am to add that if we can obtain the land at once it is hoped that the houses will be built and completed before the expiration of 12 months from this date."

Conveyance to Sailors & Soldiers Land Trust executed

A conveyance was this day executed unto the Irish Sailors & Soldiers Land Trust of a plot of land situate at Sandyford Alley Townland of Yellowbatter, containing 3 rds. 12 pers. (statute measure) in consideration of the sum of £50. (fifty pounds)

Condolence on death of Gas Manager

Upon the motion of Councillor P. Carroll seconded by Alderman R. Murdock a vote of condolence was unanimously passed with the widow and family of the late P.J. Fitzpatrick, Manager and Secretary Gas Works Department.

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October 13th.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday 13th October 1925 at 8 o'clock p.m.

To consider joint Report of Law & Finance and Gas Works Committees recommending the appointment of Manager and Secretary for Gas Works Department.

Present:-

In the Chair:- His Worship the Mayor
Aldermen :- T. Burke. R. Murdock. J. Davis. P. Lyons
Councillors :- P. Carroll. T. Carroll. M. Mc Connon. W. P. Allen. D. Blood. P. B. Moore. E. Mullen. P. Byrne. J. Bennett. D. Ruddan. J. Dowd. P. Anderson. M. McGowan. J. J. Callan. E. McArdle.

The Notice convening the Meeting was read.

Report of Law & Finance & Gas Works Committee

The following Report of the Law & Finance & Gas Works Committees was read:-

Gentlemen,

Terms for appointment of Gas Manager

As directed at last Meeting we have met to consider the position of Manager & Secretary, Gas Works Department, rendered vacant by the death of the late Mr. P. J. Fitzpatrick.

Having gone very carefully into the matter we unanimously recommend that a Gas Manager be advertised for at a Salary of £400 per annum with free house, gas & coal. Applicants for the position to have a thorough knowledge of the manufacture & distribution of Gas and the Secretarial work of the Office, and also a knowledge of Electric lighting and supplying of power therefrom.

We also recommend that the Town Clerk be appointed to take charge of the Gas Works Department until the new Manager takes up Office

Dated 9th October 1925.

Luke. J. Elevck: Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor proposed that the Report be adopted: Alderman J. Davis having seconded the adoption of the Report, the same was put and declared carried unanimously.

Town Clerk authorized to sign all cheques &c for Gas Works until Gas Manager appointed

On the Motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman J. Davis the following Resolution was unanimously passed:-

"That in consequence of the death of Mr. P. J. Fitzpatrick, Manager & Secretary, Gas Works Dept., we hereby authorize the Town Clerk, Mr. J. Carr, to sign all authorisation for payments, Paying orders and cheques on Wages Accounts of the Gas Works Department and take full charge of the Gas Works until such time as a new Manager and Secretary be appointed."

Luke J Elevck
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Minutes of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Drogheda held in the Court House on Tuesday 3rd November 1925 at the hour of 8 o'clock pm.

Present :-

In the Chair :- His Worship the Mayor

Aldermen :- L. Bunk. R. Murdock. B.E. Allen. J. Davis. R. Webster.

Councillors :- L. Carroll. P. Carroll. M. McConnon. W.P. Allen. P.B. Moore. L. Bennett. D. Reddan. J. Dowd. J.J. Callan. E. McArdle. P. Anderson. P. Byrne. E. Mullen. D. Blood. J. Bennett.

The Notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
The Minutes of the last 2 Meetings were read and confirmed.
Wages Sheet examined and passed.
Payments passed :— Borough Fund £2158 : 17 : 3
Public Library a/c. 9 : 9 : 4

Report of Law & Finance Committee

The following Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read :-

Gentlemen,

Yearly tenancy to Mrs. J. Moonan

We have agreed to grant a yearly tenancy of house in occupation of Mrs. Julia Moonan, Greenhills, together with two small thatched cabins adjoining at a rent of £2 per annum subject to Mrs. Moonan being responsible for carrying out the ~~et~~ necessary repairs and payment of Rates, the tenancy to commence from the 25th March last.

Lease: Mr. C. McConnon

We recommend that Mr. Christopher McConnon be granted a Lease of house on the north side of Fair St. for a term of 31 years from the 25th March last at the yearly rent of £10 conditional upon his expending a sum of at least £400 upon alterations and improvements as per plan and specification submitted. The garden at rere of this house and presently in occupation of Miss Greene to be included together with store at rere.

Mr. S. Carroll

Mr. S. Carroll, Lusk, has applied for lease of building site to erect a five-roomed house so as to take advantage of the Government Grant under the Housing (Building Facilites) Act. ~~1924~~

We recommend you to grant Mr. Carroll a lease for a term of 200 years at the yearly rent of £2 of building site on Old Corn Market Hill adjoining the St. Mary's Boys' ~~School~~ National School conditional upon his erecting within a period of twelve months a 5-roomed dwellinghouse.

re holding at Bryanstown

We have had under consideration the question of tenancy of holding at Bryanstown lately in the occupation of Mrs. Margaret Clarke, deceased, and now in the occupation of Mr. John D. McKeon. In our Report to the Council dated 29th Septr. 1924 we set out the facts of this case fully. We again recommend that the necessary proceedings be instituted to recover possession of these premises.

Assignment Conroy to Rock.

We have agreed to assent to the Assignment of house No. 9 St. Thomas St. from Mr. P. J. Conroy to Mr. Daniel Rock. 19th October 1925.

Luke J. Cleock : Chairman

On the motion of Councillor E. Mullen seconded by Councillor P. Carroll it was agreed to refer back to the Committee the paragraph in the report dealing with lease to Mr. Christopher McConnon.

The remainder of the Report was unanimously adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor W.P. Allen.

Report of Law & Finance Committee

The following Supplemental Report of the Law & Finance Committee was read :-

Re dispute with J. Gulfoyle

Gentlemen,

We have had under consideration the portion of our report dated 28th September 1925 relating to the taking over of part of garden at North Road held under weekly tenancy by Joseph Gulfoyle in order to allow Mr. Rymes to build a four-roomed dwellinghouse. To avoid legal proceedings in the matter we instructed the Town Clerk to endeavour to arrive at an amicable settlement, but the Town Clerk reported that he found it impossible to deal with Mr. Gulfoyle.

As a Public Authority we cannot see our way to allow Mr. Gulfoyle, - who is a weekly tenant, - to dictate to the Corporation what way they should dispose of their property to the best advantage to the Ratepayers and particularly hold up the

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the building of houses which are very badly needed in Drogheda, and we have no alternative but to recommend you to instruct the Law Agent to institute proceedings for possession of the plot in question.

We again recommend you to grant Mr. M. Rhymes a lease of the building site North Wold, for a term of 200 years at the yearly rent of £2 conditional upon his erecting a substantial dwellinghouse in accordance with plan and specfication submitted.

Dated 2nd November 1925.

Luke J. Elcock. Chairman

The Report was adopted on the motion of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor C. Mullen, Councillor Blood dissenting.

Report of Gas Works Committee

Report of Gas Works Committee read as follows:-

Gentlemen,

We have had under consideration the question of providing extra public Lamps and recommend that 14 Lamps be lighted in the following places, viz:-

Public Lighting

1 Lamp in centre of the Dale.
1 " at Boolagh Bridge.
1 " at Junction of Boolagh St. & Clinton's Lane.
1 " at Junction of Crooked St. & Platten Road.
1 " at Steps Mary St.
1 " Duleek St. opposite Millmount Barracks.
1 " John St. opposite Tighes Yard.
1 " centre of Thomas St. (Dolan's corner)
1 " centre of Sandyford Terrace
1 " Ghord Road (Senna convent)
1 " Bottom of Hand St. Ghord Road side.
1 " corner of Slate Row next Scarlet St.
1 " Frances St. end of New Houses.
1 " Centre Green Lanes.

Increase in Wages to James O'Neill. Foreman.

We have also had under consideration the question of increase in wages to James O'Neill, Foreman, and unanimously recommend that his wages be increased from £3:15:10 to £4: 5:0 per week.

For some time past the stock of coke has been accumulating and in consequence was deteriorating. In order to get a quick

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sale for this class of coke we authorized the Town Clerk to offer for sale 2nd class quality coke at 35/ per ton, the first class coke to be sold at 40/- per ton.

Dated 28th October 1925.

R. Murdock: Chairman.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Alderman Murdock seconded by Councillor Blood, Aldermen J. Davis and B.C. Allen dissenting.

Report of Bye Laws & Markets Committee

Read Report of Bye Laws & Markets Committee:-

Gentlemen,

Lease to Char-a-banc Motor Service to ply for hire

We have had before us the application of "The Newry to Dublin Motor Service" for permission to ply for hire with a char-a-banc within the Borough and for a suitable stopping and starting place.

Having given the matter careful consideration we recommend that the necessary Licence to ply for hire be issued and that the east side of the Horse Fair, Georges St. be alloted as a starting and stopping place.

Dated 26th October 1925.

Luke J. Elcock
Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor proposed and Alderman B.C. Allen seconded the adoption of the Report.

Councillor C. Mullen proposed as an amendment that the Report be rejected, Councillor P. Byrne seconding.

On a division there voted:-

For the amendment.	Against the Amendment.
Alderman L Burke	Aldermen:- B.C. Allen. Davis. Murdock. Webster.
Councillors:- Blood. Byrne. Mullen & Reddan (5)	Councillors:- W.P. Allen. Anderson. J. Bermill. L. Bermill. Callan. P. Carroll. T. Carroll. Dowd. Moore. McArdle. McConnon (15)

The amendment was declared lost by 15 votes to 5 and the Resolution ~~was~~ for the adoption of the Report having been put was declared carried by the same voting.

The Report of the Borough Surveyor upon cost of fencing Park at Nuns Walk, and cost of ~~fencing~~ a concrete culvert over Dale Brook

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Brook was referred to the Law & Finance Committee.

Report of Shops Act Inspector

Report of Shops Act Inspector upon breaches of the Shops Act on Thursday the 29th October the date of the Hallowtide Fair. was read.
No order made.

A Letter from Local Government Dept. relating to Main Roads was referred to the Borough Surveyor with instructions to consult the County Surveyor upon the matter.

Letter from Local Government Dept. (Trade Dept.) referring to the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1925, was referred to the Borough Surveyor to deal with.

Kilkenny Resolution re Vaccination

The following Resolution from Kilkenny Urban Council was read:-
"That we call upon the Government to bring in as soon as possible an Amending Bill, which will provide that Irish Parents who have a conscientious objection to vaccination will not be compelled to have their children vaccinated, and thus have the law in the Saorstat the same as in England.
That copies of this resolution be sent to the President Cosgrave and the other Deputies for the Constituency, and other Public Bodies in the Saorstat".

Councillor P. Byrne moved Councillor J. Bennett seconding that the Resolution be adopted:-
The motion being put there voted:-

For the motion	Against the motion
Councillors:- Anderson. J. Bennett. D. Blood. P. Byrne. J. Dowd. E. Mullen (6)	Aldermen:- B.E. Allen. J. Davis. R. Murdock. R. Webster Councillors:- W.P. Allen. T. Bennett. J.J. Callan. His Worship the Mayor. P.B. Moore. Mc Connon. Reddan (11

The following declined to vote:-
Alderman L. Burke. Councillors. P. Carroll. L. Carroll. E. McArdle.
The Resolution was declared lost by 11 votes to 6.

Letter from Mgr. P. Segrave. re letting of Mayoralty Rooms for Dancing on Saturday or Sunday Nights

Letter from Rt. Rev. Monsignor Segrave asking the Corporation not to let the Mayoralty Rooms for Dances on Saturday or Sunday nights, read.

His Worship the Mayor proposed, Councillor P. Anderson seconding that the Mayoralty Rooms be not let for Dancing on Sunday

nights.

Councillor P. Byrne proposed as an amendment, Alderman B. E. Allen seconding that a deputation be appointed to interview Archdeacon Segrave on the Matter.
On a division these voted:-

For the amendment	Against the amendment
Aldermen:- B.E. Allen. Burke. Davis. Murdock. Webster. Councillors:- J. Bennett. T. Bennett. D. Blood. Byrne. P. Carroll. T. Carroll. Dowd. Mullen. McArdle. Reddan. (15)	Councillors:- W. P. Allen. Anderson. Callan. Moore. Mc Connon & His Worship the Mayor (6)

The amendment was declared lost by 15 votes to 6 and having been put in the form of a substantative motion was carried by the same voting.

Councillors Byrne. Blood & McArdle were appointed as a deputation to interview Archdeacon Segrave.

On the Motion of Alderman Davis seconded by Alderman Allen a vote of condolence was unanimously passed with the family and relatives upon the death of the late W. T. Shaffington who had been Mayor of Drogheda on three occasions.

On the motion of Councillor J. J. Callan seconded by Alderman T. Burke a vote of condolence was unanimously passed with the relatives of the late Rev. Fr. Mc Cann, C.C. St. Marys.

Letter from Her Chancellor L P T. Ledoux thanking the Council for the Resolution passed to him upon the occasion of his leaving Drogheda was read and ordered to be inserted upon the Minutes.

Letter from Mrs. Fitzpatrick thanking the Council for vote of sympathy passed to her, upon the death of her husband, the late P.J. Fitzpatrick was read and ordered to be inserted on the Minutes.

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