

Minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Wednesday the 16th of August, 1911.

Councillor Fitzgibbon, Chairman, presided and the following members were in attendance: Councillors Galvin, Durr, Waters, Grogan, Bonny, Gillsoly, Shanly, Regan, Mc Donnell and Mapother. Proposed by Councillor Joseph M. Durr, Seconded by Councillor T. Bonny.

And resolved:-

"That the minutes of the last two meetings of the Council be taken as read."

The Chairman signed the minutes of the 24th May, 1911 and the 19th June 1911.

The Secretary submitted Notice of Audit.

The following correspondence from the Local Government Board for Ireland was submitted by the Secretary:-

- No. 35644. Establishment of Motor Services in Rural Districts. Order made on same:-
- "Copy to be sent to District Councils"
- " 34684. Enclosing copy Auditor's reports on the Accounts Boyle Union and Boyle No. 1. Rural District.
- " 34685.
- " 35854. Re payment of poundage fees to collectors who had not closed their collections within the prescribed time.
- " 109/M. Re the state of Rate Collection in the County

No. 38533. Returning copy Bond received from General Accident Insurance Company in connection with the security of collector Timulty.

" 39940. Enclosing copy of the Auditor's report on the accounts of the Roscommon County Council for the half year ended 31st March, 1911.

The following correspondence from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction was read:—

No. 3444. Enclosing copy Order under Diseases of Animals Acts.

E. L. No 45. Re the supposed existence of contagious Disease in a gelding belonging to Mr. Peter Duffy, Ballytoher, Drogheda and directing that the animal should be valued and slaughtered.

The Secretary submitted letter and report from Mr. Ryan, V. S. Strokestown, with reference to the slaughtering of Mr. Peter Duffy's horse and letters from the owner and his solicitor, Mr. Moran Roscommon claiming compensation and from Mr. Peter Kelly D. B. Tarranbridge stating that he valued the horse at £20 the lowest.

Mr. Moran and the owner appeared before the Council and claimed the sum of £48.

Proposed by councillor John Galvin,

Seconded by councillor M. H. Grogan,

And resolved:—

"That a sum of £24-10 be paid to Peter Duffy of Tarranbarry in full

discharge of all claim on Roscommon County Council in respect of the slaughtering of the horse in the mistaken view that it was suffering from an attack of glanders."

The following correspondence was submitted:-

Letter from Chief Clerk, Valuation Office, Dublin, No. 61019 re Notice to occupiers of premises when Valuations may be altered at Revision

Letters from Under Secretary, Dublin Castle, Nos. 5595, 11529 and 13255 re Athlone Courthouse were adjourned to the Quarterly Meeting.

Letter from Secretary, Congested Districts Board for Ireland re Motor Services in Rural Districts.

Letter from the Estates Commissioners re the vesting in the County Council the Ancient Cross on the holding of the Executors of R. J. Kelly.

Reports from Inspectors under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

Reports from the County Inspector, R. I. C. showing free and extra police force in the County during the months of June & July.

Proposed by Councillor John Galvin,

Seconded by Councillor Joseph M. Durr,

And resolved:-

That we strongly protest against the continued retention of extra police in this County as being quite unnecessary and as constituting a serious injustice to the rate-payers whom we represent. From an

intimate knowledge of the peaceful state of the bountly we are convinced that a smaller police force than the present quota would be sufficient to maintain peace and order here, and we are concerned to find that notwithstanding our many well grounded protests on the subject, the returns for July of this year show a reduction of only one constable since July, 1910.

The Secretary submitted Deputy Checkers Returns and Rate Return showing state of collection up to the last day of July, and stated that some collectors made no lodgements up to the present, also submitted letter from collector Timulty and the General Accident Fire and Life Assurance Corporation, on collector Timulty's Bond.

Applications for payment of poundage fees were submitted from collectors Doyle and O'Malley. Order made on same: "copies to be forwarded to the Local Government Board with recommendations to have the poundage fees paid."

Letters from the Secretary of the Portumna Bridge Committee enclosing copy report of the Engineer-in-Chief and a certified copy given by the Bridge Committee and certificate of sum due and the amount payable by Roscommon Bountly Council.

The Secretary submitted a letter from the Secretary

to the Road Board in reference to fees for Bounty Surveyor, and Assistant Bounty Surveyors aggregating £145 for attending to the Road Improvement Works which were included in the detailed estimates of the works of improvement towards which grants from the Board are sought.

The following letter from the Bounty Surveyor, Roscommon was read:-

Bounty Surveyor's Office,
Roscommon.

16th August, 1911.

M. J. Hevesin Esq.,

Secretary County Council,
Roscommon

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter dated the 14th inst, enclosing copy of letter dated 11th inst, addressed to you by the Road Board in reference to fees to Surveyor and Assistants for attending to the Road Improvement Works half cost of which the Road Board contribute as free grant. I have to say that all I did on behalf of my County Council to secure 63 miles of roads in list for Improvement instead of the 12 miles first proposed by the Road Board was done without any thought whatever of fees. That question only presented itself when I received circular from the County Surveyors Association naming fees to be included in all County (Surveyors) Estimates and I received letter at same time from one of the Committee stating that the Road Board had informed him they would

not object to fees being included in Bounty Surveyor's Estimates, but that of course the assent of the Bounty Councils would also be necessary. I therefore included them and the Road Board copied them into their own official forms preliminary to issue of grant, but they now require official intimation that the Bounty Council approve of the payments which I hope the Council will authorize.

I telegraphed to Secretary of Association to inquire what his Council decided and have his reply that his Bounty Council (Termanagh) have sanctioned the percentage, and I expect all other Councils will do so.

Yours truly,
B. Mulvaney.

Proposed by Councillor M. H. Grogan.
Seconded by Councillor John Shanly,
And resolved:-

"That we approve of the percentage of fees for Bounty Surveyor and his Assistants for supervision of Road Improvement Works under the Road Board."

Proposed by Councillor O. J. Waters,
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Regan,
And resolved:-

"That we the members of the Roscommon Bounty Council hereby direct our Secretary to draw up on behalf of the Bounty Council an address to be presented to Most Rev. Dr. Morrisroe on the occasion of

his consecration as Bishop of Achonry at the
 bathedral in Ballaghaderreen on Sunday the
 3rd September. And that the Chairman, Secretary
 and Mr. Mapother present the address."

Letter from Rev. Father Hughes, P.P. Ballybay, with
 reference to the division of the St. George Estate, at
 Barn, Achlone was read and the following resolution
 was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor John Galvin,

Seconded by Councillor P. Regan,

And resolved:-

"That we the Roscommon
 Bountly Council desire to thank Mr. Hayden M.P.
 for his patient and successful advocacy of the
 claims of the Barn Congests to an adequate share
 in the division of the grass lands on the
 St. George Estate, Barn, Achlone. We thank him
 all the more as he may thereby prevent violent
 and expensive agitation in that part of our
 Bountly. Though the Estates Commissioners
 have now promised a new scheme for dividing
 those lands more in conformity to local needs
 we think the Congested Districts Board more
 suitable to prepare such a scheme and we
 request that Board to take over the St. George's Estate
 and others of a similar character throughout the
 Bountly. Copies to be sent to the Congested
 Districts Board and to Mr. J. P. Hayden."

The Secretary read letter from the Dublin
 Industrial Development Association with reference
 to the felling of growing timber unaccompanied

by any provision for re-planting. The letter was marked "Approved" and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor T. A. O. Mapother.

Seconded by Councillor John Fitzgibbon.

And resolved:-

"That we deplore the disfigurement of our bountly through the wholesale destruction of trees now in progress throughout this District and we regret our inability to prevent it."

Letter from the Executive of the Town Tenants Association asking to have Delegates appointed to attend the convention to be held in the City Hall, Dublin on the 23rd August, 1911 was read.

Messrs Galvin and Durr were appointed as Delegates

Letter from the Resident Secretary of the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation Limited re Public Liability Insurance was read.

Order made thereon:- "Advertisements to be issued in General Advertiser for next meeting."

An application for authority to have the chimneys of the bouthouse cleaned, from the bouthkeeper, Roscommon was marked "Sanctioned".

An application from the bouthkeeper, Roscommon for supplies for use in the bouthouse and for 40 tons of coal (Wigan) were submitted.

Order made thereon:- "Advertisements to be issued in General Advertiser and smaller items to be ordered."

Letter from Mr. J. Martin re Sheep-Whipping machine was marked "Deferred to Diseases of Animals Act."

An application from Rev. Father Gallagher, Ballaghaderreen, to put down a Telephone Service between the town of Ballaghaderreen and the Episcopal Residence at Edmondstown was read. Order made thereon:—"Granted subject to b. Surveyor's supervision."

Letter from Mr. Gillosly, Roscommon, re payment of expenses as a witness in case of the bounty council v. Devany was read:—Order made thereon "Messrs Burke and Sons be authorised to pay."

Notices of Motion standing in Council Mr. Leaveney's name were adjourned.

The following correspondence was marked "Read" Irish bounty councils' general council re Imperial and Local Taxation Committee Mr. John P. Hayden M.P. re Primary Education and extra police.

Hon. Secretaries of the Congress of the Royal Institute of Public Health re Congress to be in Dublin.

Miss O'Boon Eccles acknowledging Resolution of condolence on death of her sister.

Letter from E. J. Burrow, Cheltenham, re issuing guide books.

Chambers of Commerce, Dublin, re National Insurance Bill.

blame for Malicious Injury.

The Financial statement Book of Expenditure
and receipts were signed by the chairman.

24-8-'11.

John McGilton
Chairman

Blair for 11th Nov 1881

The financial statement of the
and receipts were signed by the treasurer

11-8-11

Blair