

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Quarterly Meeting of the Roscommon County Council, held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Tuesday, 3rd September, 1912

Councillor Fitzgibbon, M. P. Chairman presided.

The following Members were in attendance :- Councillors Durr, Waters, Dunsy, P. J. Kelly, Shanagher, Grogan, Conry, Millar, Gillsoly, Shanly, T. Kelly, Curran, Mr. Donnell, Hillian, Murray, Leaveney, Igoe, Mapother, Joseph Maguire, Higgins and Martin.

Sir Acheson M. Bullagh, Local Government Board Inspector was also present.

Proposed by Councillor J. Shanly,
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters,
And Resolved :-

"That the Minutes of last meeting be taken as read"

The following correspondence was submitted by the Secretary :-
Circular Letter No. 96/M from the Local Government Board relative to the collection of rates in the County

The Secretary submitted Statement showing state of collection up to the last day of August and stated that the collectors had made very small lodgments up to the present and they
had

less than a month to close their collections.

Letter from the Local Government Board No. 43959 relative to the claim of Mr. Joseph Burke, coroner, for expenses in connection with an inquest was read, and the following order was made thereon:-
"To be paid"

Letters from the Local Government Board Nos. 45050 and 45051 enclosing copies of the Auditor's Reports on the Accounts of Roscommon District Council and Union.

Letter from the Local Government Board No. 43685 and letters from the National Health Insurance Commission (Ireland) Nos. 8042 and 8898 relative to the procedure under the National Insurance Act, 1911.

Letter from the Local Government Board No. 44083 assenting to payment of the sum of £82-15-8 to Mr. Ginnally in full settlement of his claim against the County Council for poundage due in respect of his services as Poor Rate collector together with a sum of £1-10 for posting Notices for year 1912.

Letters from the Local Government Board Nos. 43675 and 45898 relative to the Scheme adopted by the Roscommon County Council in

in connection with the National Insurance Act, 1911, for the Treatment of persons in the County suffering from Tuberculosis and letters from the Women's National Health Association of Ireland, the Medical Secretary of the British Medical Association, and the Hon. Secretary of the Joint Committee of the Irish Medical Profession relative to the Administration of Sanatorium Benefits, and the proposed salary to Medical Tuberculosis Officers were read.

The following resolution was passed thereon :-

Proposed by Councillor J. Shanley.

Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters.

And Resolved :-

"That all correspondence relative to the Treatment of Tuberculosis under the National Health Insurance Act be referred to the Sub-committee appointed at a previous Meeting, and that Committee meet now, and that Sir Acheson McNeillagh be requested to attend the Meeting of the Committee"

The Lists of Payments were considered and the following resolutions were passed thereon :-

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters.

Seconded by Councillor J. Shanley.

And Resolved :-

"That the Proposals
for

for Payments as set out on Form 22 for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1912, made by the Achlone No. 2. Rural District Council on the 6th day of July, 1912, and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved"

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters,
Seconded by Councillor J. Shanley.
And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals for Payments as set out on Form 22 for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1912, made by the Ballinasloe Rural District Council on the 13th day of July, 1912, and this day submitted to our Council, be and are hereby approved"

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters,
Seconded by Councillor J. Shanley.
And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals for Payments as set out on Form 22 for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1912, made by the Boyle Rural District Council on the 2nd day of August, 1912, and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved"

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters,
Seconded by Councillor J. Shanley.
And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals
for

for Payments as set out on Form 22 for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1912, made by the Baruck No. 2 Rural District Council on the 3rd day of August, 1912, and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved."

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters.

Seconded by Councillor J. Shanley.

And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals

for Payments as set out on Form 22 for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1912, made by the Baruck No. 2 Rural District Council, on the 20th day of July, 1912, and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved."

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters.

Seconded by Councillor J. Shanley.

And Resolved:-

"That the

Proposals for Payments as set out on Form 22 for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1912, made by the Roscommon Rural District Council on the 27th day of July, 1912, and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved."

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters.

Seconded by Councillor J. Shanley.

And Resolved:-

"That the

Proposals

Proposals for Payments as set out on Form 22 for the Quarter ended 30th June 1912, made by the Strokestown Rural District Council on the 24th day of July, 1912, and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved"

Proposed by Councillor C. J. Waters.
Seconded by Councillor J. Shanly.
And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals for Payments as set out on Form 22 for the Quarter ended 30th June 1912, made by the Proposal Committee of County Council on the 13th day of August, 1912, and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved, with the following exceptions:-

"National Health Insurance Contributions to be deducted from salaries of Chief Clerk, Assistant Surveyors, Townskeeper and Michael Hoare

The charge for Ballinamore Canal and the application for refund of rates paid on Castlestrange House were deferred

Poundage to John Martin, Collector, was not paid"

Proposed by Councillor T. A. P. Mapother,
Seconded by Councillor Joseph Maguire.
And Resolved:-

"That the attention of the Commissioners of Public

Public Works be called to the fact that the Trustees of the Ballinamore and Ballyconnell Navigation District have forwarded to the Roscommon County Council a demand for the sum of £13-2-4 for maintenance of the Navigation Works in question, whereas the Ballinamore and Ballyconnell canal has not been used for many years for purposes of navigation, and if it be used for drainage purposes, that County Roscommon can derive no possible benefit therefrom. The area drained by the canal is situated within the bounties of Leitrim and Cavan, and is divided from the County Roscommon by the River Shannon. The County Council have therefore deferred payment of the sum demanded, and claim exemption therefrom."

The County Surveyor read his report for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1912, and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters,
Seconded by Councillor John Shanly.

And Resolved:-

"That the County Surveyor's report for Quarter ended the 30th June, 1912, be adopted"

Proposed by Councillor John Heavener,
Seconded by Councillor Dominick Gillesly.

And

And Resolved :-

"That the Proposals formulated by the Boyle Rural District Council and set out on Form 20 dated the 2nd day of August, 1912, be and are hereby approved. And we authorise our Secretary to Seal this Resolution"

Proposed by councillors John Heaveney.
Seconded by councillors Dominick Gillsoly.
And Resolved :-

"That the Proposals for New Works formulated by the Carrick No. 2 Rural District Council and set out on Form 20, dated the 16th day of August, 1912, be and are hereby approved, except the following numbers:- 2 which was rejected, and No. 1 was given in charge to the Bounty Surveyor and we further resolve to enter into contracts in respect of the proposals approved of by us, and we authorise our Secretary to Seal this Resolution and the contracts"

Proposed by councillors John Heaveney.
Seconded by councillors Dominick Gillsoly.
And Resolved :-

"That the Proposals formulated by the Baskinea Rural District Council and set out on Form 20, dated the 23rd day of July, 1912 be and are hereby approved. And

authorise our Secretary to Seal this Resolution"

Proposed by Councillor John Heaveney,
Seconded by Councillor Dominick Gillsoly,
And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals for new Works formulated by the Roscommon Rural District Council, and set out on Form 20, dated 14th day of August, 1912, be and are hereby approved, except the following numbers:- 5, 6, which were rejected, and Nos. 1, 4, 7, 8, were given in charge to the Bounty Surveyor. And we further resolve to enter into contracts in respect of the Proposals approved of by us, and we authorise our Secretary to Seal this Resolution and the contracts"

Proposed by Councillor John Heaveney,
Seconded by Councillor Dominick Gillsoly,
And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals formulated by the Strokestown Rural District Council, and set out on Form 20, dated the 9th day of August, 1912, be and are hereby approved. And we authorise our Secretary to Seal this Resolution"

Proposed by Councillor John Heaveney,
Seconded by Councillor Dominick Gillsoly,
And Resolved:-

"That

"That the Proposals formulated by the Proposal Committee of Bounty Council, and set out on Form 20, dated the 13th day of August, 1912, be and are hereby approved, and No. 1 was given in charge to Bounty Surveyor. And we authorise our Secretary to Seal this resolution"

The following Notice of Motion standing in Buncillor Joseph Maguire's name was ruled "out of order"

"I, or some other Buncillor on my behalf will move on the 3rd September that the order made at the last meeting of the Bounty Council to provide Motor Bicycles for the Assistant Bounty Surveyors be rescinded"

(Signed) Joseph Maguire.

The other Notices of Motion standing in Buncillor Joseph Maguire's name were marked "Not moved"

The following report of the Sub-committee appointed to consider Circulars from the Local Government Board in connection with the National Insurance Act, 1911, was read.

A meeting of the Sub-committee appointed to consider Circulars from the Local Government Board in connection with the National Insurance

Act, 1911, for the treatment of persons in the County suffering from Tuberculosis.

Present :- Messrs Lyogan, Shanagher, McDonnell, and Dury, Sir Acheson McBullagh, Local Government Board Inspector, Doctor Dickson and Mr. Guy from the National Insurance Company.

The Committee, in drawing up the Scheme on August 13th, calculated their share of the Grant at £3,100, we now find that our County's share of the Grant is about £2,666. In order to keep with the amount available we consider that the number of beds be reduced from 19 to 16 and then we are of opinion that four of these beds should be reserved for uninsured persons.

That a Medical Tuberculosis Officer be appointed at a salary of £300 per annum with travelling expenses not to exceed £130 per annum. We consider that the Medical Officer should be appointed without delay.

16 beds	£1120
House	1000
20 Shelters	<u>260</u>
	£2380

The arrangements as to Nurses be as provided for in the Scheme, drafted on August, 13th.

The patients to be sent from Roscommon
County

to Peamount.

The Women's National Health Association
 be asked to forward to the County Council
 a Draft of their proposed agreement
 so that we could forward same to the
 Local Government Board together with
 application for the grant

(Signed) M. H. Hogan
 On behalf of Committee

The following resolution was passed
 thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor John Dwyer.

Seconded by Councillor T. Barry.

And Resolved:-

"That the
 appointment of Medical Officers under
 the Tuberculosis Act be made on 12th
 September, instant. Meeting to be called
 at 11 o'clock."

The Report of the County Surveyor
 relative to the proposed new bouthouse
 at Achlone was submitted by him
 and the following order was made
 thereon:- "To be considered at next
 meeting"

Letter from the Clerk of Ballinasloe No. 2.
 Old Age Pension Sub-committee stating
 that a vacancy had occurred on his
 Sub-committee.

The

The following resolution was passed
thereon:-

Proposed by Buncillo J. Millar,

Seconded by Buncillo Patrick Murray,

And Resolved:-

"That Rev. M. Owens

be appointed on the Ballinasloe No 2.

Sub-committee as Member of Ballinasloe
Old Age Pension Committee"

The Secretary submitted a Refund List
from Ex. Collector Timulley and the Chair-
man set out the recommendations of
the Council thereon.

Buncillo Mapother, Chairman of the
Committee read the following report of
his Committee which was appointed
by the County Council to deal with
the question of the re-organisation of
the Secretary's Office:-

"The question of the re-organisation of
the Secretary's Office in view of the largely
increased duties imposed upon him
and his staff under the Direct Labour
Schemes and the Insurance Act chiefly,
and to a less extent, though considerable,
under the Motor Car Act, and otherwise
having been referred to us, we have
carefully inquired into all matters
calculated to assist us in the inquiry
committed to us, examined the many
record books which have to be kept,
and

and seen the staff at work, recommend as follows:-

Woolley 7

Manahan

W

Kilmer 140

Kemp 28

W

"1. That the two assistants at present employed in the Secretary's Office, and for whose salaries he receives the sum of £104 per annum be paid directly by the Council £80 and £52 per annum respectively. 2. And that the other two assistants also employed by the Secretary, and paid at present by him be taken directly under the Council's employment and receive salaries of £40 and £28 respectively. 3. That one additional clerk be employed at a salary of £24 per annum. The work in the Office being in our opinion too onerous for efficient discharge by those at present engaged there, notwithstanding their proved capacity in the performance of their duties. 4. That all those assistants be paid directly by the Council, be under the direction of and responsible to the Secretary who shall have power to suspend them at any time he may find it desirable to do so. 5. That the salary of the Secretary be increased from £140 to £300 per annum.

In recommending this increase of the Secretary's salary we think it well to point out that for the twelve years during which he has been admittedly discharging the Secretary's duties with great

great ability, he has been in receipt of the smallest salary paid to any Bounty Secretary in Ireland, and even with the increase recommended his salary will compare unfavourably with most of those occupying a position similar to his.

(Signed) Thomas A. O. Mapother

D. J. Kelly,

M. H. Lyogan,

J. J. O'Brien.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Murray,
Seconded by Councillor Thomas Martin,

"That the report of the Committee appointed to consider the question of the re-organisation of the Secretary's Office be adopted"

To this motion the following amendment was moved:-

Proposed by Councillor J. Fitzgibbon,
Seconded by Councillor J. Shanley.

And Resolved:-

"That the Report of the Committee for the re-organisation of the Secretary's Office be not adopted"

The Amendment was carried by

11 votes to 10.

The following voted for the Amendment
Councillors John Fitzgibbon, Drury,
Shanagher, Conry, Gillooly, J. Kelly, Leaveney,
Igoe, Joseph Maguire, Higgins, Shanley

The following voted against the Amendment
Councillors

Councillors Duer, Waters, D. J. Kelly, Grogan, Millar, M. Donnell, Hillian, Murray, Mapother, Martin.

Councillor Bussigan declined to vote.

The Secretary submitted report of the County Inspector A. J. B. Rosecommon, showing Free and Extra Force in the County during the month of August. Notices of Claims for Malicious Injuries Reports from Inspectors under Diseases of Animals Acts.

Letter from the Secretary, Office of National Education re the Irish Education Act, was marked "Read"

Letters from Designers and Specialists in the construction of hospital and Sanatorium accommodation were adjourned to next meeting.

The Secretary submitted two Paying Orders "out of date" and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor Y. A. P. Mapother,
Seconded by Councillor John Fitzgibbon,
And Resolved:-

"That Paying Orders Nos. 10909 and 12630 on the Subsidiary Account be re-authorized subject to the Local Government Board's approval"

Proposed by Councillor J. Shanley

Seconded

Seconded by Councillor J. Millar,

And Resolved :-

"That this Council in Meeting assembled appeal to the Departments of Agriculture for Ireland and England to permit cattle and sheep to be admitted to Great Britain from this County and Province, which can be allowed with perfect safety as the Province has no communication with the effected areas. The country is now becoming alarmed owing to the continual heavy rain for a considerable time, the grass melting away, cattle and sheep are reducing in condition. The English feeders who were in the habit of purchasing Irish store cattle are sorely disappointed and will obtain their supply from other countries, which will mean bankruptcy to the Irish farmers. That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Right Hons. Mr. Russell M.P. and Mr. Duncinan M.P."

Copy resolutions from the Dublin and Limerick County Councils with reference to the report published that an English official is to be appointed to the Secretaryship of the Post Office in Ireland in succession to Sir D. Egerton were marked "Adopted"

Letter from Mr. Michael Noone on behalf

behalf of the labourers of Roscommon relative to the payments in connection with Direct Labour was marked "Referred to Mr. Mulvany"

No order was made on other correspondence

The Account Books were signed by the Chairman.

Dates for Quarterly Meetings of County and District Councils:-

Achlon	Saturday	5 th October, 1912	Noon
Ballinasloe	Saturday	12 th " "	1 p.m.
Castlereagh	Saturday	19 th " "	Noon
Roscommon	Thursday	24 th " "	Noon
Strokestown	Tuesday	29 th " "	Noon
Boyle	Friday	8 th November	1 p.m.
Carriek-on-Shannon	Saturday	9 th " "	1 p.m.

Proposal Committee Tuesday 19th Nov. 1912. 11-30 a.m.

County Council Thursday 5th Dec. 1912. 11-30 a.m.

M. H. Hogan

Chairman

d

mel

n

n

n

n

n

n

n

um

a.m.

