

Minutes of Proceedings of
Quarterly Meeting of the Rosecommon
Bounty Council held at the
Boroughouse, Rosecommon, on the
10th September, 1920.

Councillor A. Lavin, chair-
man presided, and the following
were present:- Councillors
J. Brennan, M. Brennan, Cox,
Doyle, Duignan, Eagherty, Greene,
Kenny, Kearny, Ryan, Ward,
Mc Donaels and Tates.

Proposed by Councillor James J. Kenny.
Seconded by Councillor Patsig S. O'Byrne
And Resolved:-

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

The following correspondence
from the Local Government
Board for Ireland was submitted:-
Letter No. 51532 stating that in the
special circumstances they
will not object to collectors
Boghan and Derry furnishing
personal security for the
current year's collection and
letters from the collectors
furnishing the names of
persons willing to give security.

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The following order was made thereon "Read":

Letter No. 52593 enclosing copy of the Auditor's Report on the Ballinasloe Union for the period ended 30th September, 1919, and 31st March, 1920.

Letter No. 42606 relative to a further revision of the scales of bonuses.

Letter No. 52202 relative to payment by the Rosecommon County Council of poundage fees to Collector Doyle, Athlone, District, for the year ended 31st March, 1920, and stating as Collector Doyle failed to comply with requisite conditions in the collection of both moieties of the rate for the year 1919-20 the Board see no reason which would justify them in assenting to the payment of poundage on the higher scale in this case. The following order was made thereon:—"Previous decision adhered to."

The following correspondence from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction was submitted:-

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Letter relative to the sheep dipping
in the County and stating that
2000 sets of forms have been forwarded

Letter from the congested District's
Board acknowledging receipt of
communication relative to the
distribution of land in the Board's
hands was submitted.

Letter from General Headquarters,
Ireland, acknowledging receipt of
communication re payment of
compensation to the Misses Sharkey,
Strabane, and stating that same
is receiving attention was submitted.

Letter from General Headquarters,
Ireland, acknowledging receipt of
communication on the subject
of gas at Rosecommon boundhouse,
and stating on receipt of report
a further communication would
be sent, was submitted.

Letter from the Chief Secretary's
Office, Dublin Castle, relative
to payments from the Local
Taxation (Ireland) Account was
submitted.

The following correspondence
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from Dail Eireann was submitted:-
 Letter acknowledging receipt of
 thirty sealed copies of
 resolution acknowledging
 the authority of Dail Eireann
 Letter enclosing copy of Scheme
 issued by the Minister of
 Labour in connection
 with the Conciliation Boards
 The following order was
 made on Scheme "Adopted".
 Proposed by Councillor M. O'Byrne
 Seconded by Councillor J. Geraghty,
 And Resolved:-

"That the Scheme
 formation of conciliation
 Boards as outlined by the
 Ministry of Labour Dail
 Eireann be adopted with
 three delegates each from
 the Council and the
 employees."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Byrne
 Seconded by Councillor A. O'Laoighlin,
 And Resolved:-

"That three members
 of the Council be appointed
 on the Conciliation Board as
 suggested by the Ministry of
 Labour Dail Eireann to deal with
 salaries etc of the Council's
 officials:- Messrs. James J. Kenny
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Meet Brennan and J. J. Bolgan."

The following members were appointed by the employees of the County Council as representatives on the Conciliation Board and approved of by the County Council:-
 Messrs. Michael Healy, Organiser I.D.U.
 Martin M. Dermott, Assistant
 County Surveyor and John Kilwardy
 Secretary Clerical Workers Union
 Roscommon County Council
 Branch.

Letter from Dail Eireann Labour Department relative to employment of persons who have resigned from the Q. I. b. The following resolution was passed:-

Proposed by Councillor Seán Ó Ríain,
 Seconded by Councillor Edward Doyle.

And Resolved:-

"That we propose that the Council will give assistance to all the Q. I. b. provided they resign in three months from this date in compliance with circular from Dail Eireann."
 Circular from Dail Eireann Department of Finance relative to the closing of the loan.

Letter from the Secretary of the Irish County Councils General

General Council appending copy
of resolution relative to the
Belfast pogrom was submitted
and marked "Adopted"
Proposed by Councillor A. O'Loughlin,
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Bryan,
And Resolved:-

"That we offer an
expression of our deepest sympathy
with the relatives of the Lord
Mayors of Cork and the other
eleven brave men, who, to help
in securing the freedom of our
native land are enduring so
resolutely the untold sufferings
inflicted upon them in prison
by an alien government
imbued with all the brutality
for which British Government is
notorious throughout the world

Further we congratulate
these Heroes in the glorious and
prolonged fight in which they
are voluntarily laying down
their lives for a principle they
hold sacred.

Copies of this resolution
to be sent to the Town Clerk, Cork,
to be forwarded to relatives."

The Proposals for Payments
were considered and the
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following resolution passed thereon:-
 Proposed by Councillor James Oates,
 Seconded by Councillor Michael Greene,

And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals
 for Payments as set out on Form 22,
 for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1920,
 made by the several Rural District
 Councils and the Proposal
 Committee of the County Council
 and this day submitted to our
 Council be and are hereby approved"

Proposed by Councillor James Oates,
 Seconded by Councillor Michael Greene,

And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals
 for new Works formulated by the
 several Rural District Councils
 and set out on Forms 20, and
 approved of by us at our Meeting
 held this day in respect of which
 no contracts were entered into
 be placed in charge of the
 County Surveyor, viz,

Boyle No. I. No. 33

Roscommon. Nos. 110, 112, 113, 114, 115 + 116.

And we authorise our
 Secretary to Seal this resolution."

Proposed by Councillor James Oates,
 Seconded by Councillor Michael Greene,

And Resolved:-

"That

"That the Proposals for New Works formulated by the several Rural District Councils and set out on Forms 20 from said Councils and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved.

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."

The Report of the Acting County Surveyors was ~~said~~ submitted and the following resolution was passed thereon:-
 Proposed by Councillor J. J. Kenny.
 Seconded by Councillor Propag S. O'Byrne
 And Resolved:-

"That the Report of the Acting County Surveyors be adopted."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Bryan
 Seconded by Councillor Michael McAnally
 And Resolved:-

"That the order of the old Council demanding road gangers to submit duplicate pay sheets be cancelled."
 Proposed by Councillor James J. Kenny.
 Seconded by Councillor James Oates,
 And Resolved:-

"That roads proposed to be made by contract or advertised to be done by same for which no contracts were received be handed over to the County Surveyor to be done by Direct Labour."

An application from ex-collector Duggan for superannuation was submitted and the following order was made thereon:-
"Adjourned until a new Scheme is devised to deal with all such matters."

Application from Acting County Surveyor W. Donagh that his salary be increased to £300 per year was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "Left over for Conciliation Board."

In pursuance of Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillors James J. Kenny, and Michael Ward the following was moved:-

Proposed by Councillor James J. Kenny, Seconded by Councillor Michael Ward.
"That the County Council pay the travelling expenses

expenses of any member attending meetings of the County Council, County Committee of Agriculture, Infirmary Committee, Asylum Committee, General Council of County Councils, or any Sub-Committee appointed by the County Council, or any delegate attending any meeting appointed by the County Council. The above to apply to any member or Councillor living outside a distance of five miles (Irish) from Meeting place. Payments to be made from first meeting of new Council.

The following Amendment was moved:-

Proposed by Councillor Seanup O'Riain,
Seconded by Councillor Seanup McCouee,

"That this Council will not ask for or accept payment as expenses attending County Council or other Meeting in connection with the administration of the Council business for at least a period of six months until we find the Council is in a financial position to pay these expenses."

The Amendment was "lost" by nine votes to four.

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The following voted for the Amendment:- Councillors Dignan, Greene, Ryan and Oates.

The following voted against:- Councillors J. Brennan, M. Brennan, Cox, Doyle, Kenny, A. Lavin, Mary, Ward, and W. Bosmaek.

The original Motion was then put to the Meeting as follows and carried as a resolution:-

Proposed by Councillor James J. Kenny.
Seconded by Councillor Michael Ward.

And Resolved:-

"That the County Council pay the travelling expenses of any member attending Meetings of the County Council, County Committee of Agriculture, Infirmary Committee, Asylum Committee, General Council of County Councils or any Sub-committee appointed by the County Council or any delegate attending any Meeting appointed by the County Council. The above to apply to any member or Councillor living outside a distance of five Irish miles from Meeting place. Payments to be made from first Meeting of new County Council."

Letter from the Secretary of
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the Basdensea Milling and Development Co. requesting to have the pile of stones removed from the Mill yard as they require the yard to be levelled off was submitted and the following order was made thereon : -
"Pile of stones to be removed."

Letter from Mr. James Gately, Basdensea, for permission to erect a wooden shed in his garden within six feet of the public road and to consider Acting County Surveyor's observations re the erection of shed was submitted and the following order was made thereon : -
"Permission refused pending the visit of two members of the County Council."

Correspondence from Insurance Company and Mr. Keilan, Solicitor, Rosemount, relative to accident to Mr. James Gately, Ballybride, Rosemount, workman employed under Direct Labour Scheme, was submitted and the following order was made thereon : - "Referred to Solicitor to get into touch with Insurance company and see what

what can be done."

Letter and Resolution from the Acting Secretary Cork Industrial Development Association re Foreign Importations was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "Adopted by Council"

Correspondence from Mr. Dignan Under-Sheriff, Rosecommon, and Insurance Company re damage to boudhouse at Strabestown and boudkeeper's dwelling was submitted and no order was made thereon.

The following Report of the University Committee was submitted:-
(Copy)

Minutes of Meeting of the University Committee held at the boudhouse, Rosecommon, on the 10th September, 1920.

Benson Summins, Rev. M. O'Flanagan, Messrs. M. Brennan and Kenny and the Secretary were present.

1. Mr. Drury's application for balance cannot be granted as he does not come under the 1919 Scheme, but Mr. Drury may apply for an extension of his Scholarship if qualified

qualified to do so.

2. Miss Flynn's application granted.
3. Mr. Hanly's application cannot be granted.
4. Mr. Thomas Kelly's application be refused.
5. Mr. Mullany's application cannot be granted under the Scheme
6. Mr. Gallagher's application cannot be granted as he does not come under the Scheme.

The Secretary read letter from Dean Hynes stating that Messrs. Drury and Coleman had been awarded Scholarships of £150 for two years and the Committee expressed their appreciation on hearing the communication.

That Scholarships be awarded to the three scholars, Messrs. Dalton, Hughes and Lawlor.

"Adopted" A. O'D. (Signed) J. H. B.
Proposed by Councillor P. O'Duibhirgean.
Seconded by Councillor S. MacCormac,

"That we do not interfere in the matter of the University Scholarships further than the ruling made by the University Committee."

Proposed by Councillor Padraig S. O'Naois
Seconded by Councillor Michael Greene,

"That the Report of the University

University Committee dated the 10th September, 1920, which has been submitted to us this day be again referred back to the University Committee and we ask them to reconsider the cases of Mr. J. Hanly and Mr. Gallagher. We approve of the Report in other respects, and we further request that Messrs. Hanly and Gallagher be allowed to appear before said Committee to state their cases."

On a poll being taken Mr. O'Dubgeargáin's motion was carried by six votes to four.

The following voted for the Motion:- Councillors J. Brennan, M. Brennan, Duignan, Kenny, A. Lavin, and W. Connell.

The following voted against:- Councillors Fox, Greene, Heany and Ryan.

The following was then put to the Meeting and carried as a resolution:-

Proposed by Councillor P. O'Dubgeargáin,
Seconded by Councillor S. MacCormac,

And Resolved:-

"That we do not interfere in the matter of University Scholarships further than the ruling made by the University Committee."

A Notice of Motion of which the following is a copy was then handed in:-

(Copy)

False Notice that I or some other councillor on my behalf will move at next Meeting that the ruling of the University Committee of this Council held on September 10th 1920. be rescinded in so far as this ruling applies to Messrs. Hanly and Gallagher and that these students be given an opportunity to appear before next Meeting of University Committee to state their case.

(Signed) Padraig S. O'Byrne.

Letter from the Hon. Secretary of the Irish Worker Club, Dublin, enclosing copies of memorial to President U. S. A. on behalf of Jim Larkin, and asking the County Council to sign same was submitted and signed by the members present.

Letter from the President of the Catholic Total Abstinence Federation of Ireland enclosing copies of resolutions for adoption by the County Council was submitted

submitted and adopted.

Letter from the President of the
Baptistic Total Abstinence Federation
of Ireland enclosing copies of
resolutions

Letter from Mr. John Leydon,
of Bantmaglosh, stating that he
would accept the sum of £35.
in full settlement of his claim
for site of sheds and removal
of same from roadway at Dockhill
road was submitted and the
following order was made
thereon:- "Adopted"

Proposed by Councillor S. McCopyie,
Seconded by Councillor P. O'Dubgesay
And Resolved:-

"That we demand
that the Ministry of Transport
immediately grant a sufficient
sum to complete the construction
of the Dockhill road, the non-
completion of which is seriously
retarding the development of
the mineral resources of the
Antrim Area."

Proposed by Councillor W. O'Bryan
Seconded by Councillor Michael McAllister
And Resolved:-

"That

"That by Dul Eipeann be requested to have made all arrangements necessary re qualifications of County Surveyor for County Rosecommon by our next meeting the 17th November when the appointment will be made."

Proposed by Councillor Michael McAnally
Seconded by Councillor Edward Doyle.

And Resolved:-

"That any County Councillor elected or co-opted and have not up to the present taken the pledge of allegiance to Dul Eipeann be notified that if they do not do so at next meeting of the County Council that they be asked to resign and new members to be co-opted in their places."

Proposed by Councillor James J. Kenny.
Seconded by Councillor Augustine S. O'Loughlin

And Resolved:-

"That no payment be made in respect of preparing Juries lists for the year, 1920."

The following order was made by the County Council:-

(Copy)

"That

"That Messrs. McCormack and Michael Brennan be appointed from this Council to interview the Minister of Dual Keppage for Home Affairs on matters of importance to the Council."

(Signed) A. O'Leary.

The following were marked "Read"
 Letter from Collector Martin Geraghty stating there is a feeling amongst the people that they are not bound to pay rates on account of the new Council being Sinn Fein was submitted.

Letter from Collectors Doyle and O'Hara stating that they have received orders from the Volunteers to lodge no money to the credit of the County Council, and also stating that they had lodged the money to their own personal credit in the Banks,

Letter from Mr. A. O'Farrell withdrawing his candidature for the position of County Surveyor,

Letter from the Secretary of Galway County Council with copy resolution stating that no payments be made by the County Council, or by any local Bodies financed

financed out of the rates, to
any Government Department
in respect of loans, Taxes, etc.

All other correspondence was
adjourned to next Meeting.

The following dates were
fixed for the Quarterly Meetings
of the Rural District Councils,
the Proposal Committee and
the County Council:-

Ashlone	Saturday, 2nd October, 1920	10 a.m.
Basildon	do 9th	" do
Rosemount	Thursday, 14th	5 p.m.
Strokestown	Friday, 15th	10 a.m.
Banbridge-on-Shaw.	Thursday, 21st	do
Boyle	Wednesday, 27th	do
<u>Proposal Committee</u>		
Rosemount	Wednesday, 17th Nov., 20	11.30
<u>County Council</u>		
Rosemount	Wednesday, 8th Dec., 20	11.30

Chairman
John Martin

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ROSCOMMON TOWN COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF PROGRESS.

At the initial meeting of the above Committee, held 23rd. March, 1924, the Secretary submitted a Statement of assets and Liabilities, which set out as Assets in No. 1 account (General Purposes) —

Uncollected rates £100-16-5; amount in Collectors hands £5-5-0
Grazing rent of Green, £20; and as Liabilities:- Due to treasurer £110-5-10, sundry debts £73-13-2. In No. 2 account, (Artizans' Dwellings) Assets:- Due by treasurer £42-6-2; arrears of rent £55-5-0 With Collector £4-14-3. Liabilities:- Due Commissioners of Public Works £378 (approx.); due solicitor £24-6-5; due Collector £5-16-0.

The Statement showed Debit balances:- on No. 1 account, £55-2-6, on No. 2 account, £299-18-9, which with Interest due to treasurer (£19-7-2), showed the total Liability of the Committee to be £354-8-5.

The amount due on foot of Loans was £258-2-9, on 31st. March, 1921. No instalments have been paid since.

At a subsequent meeting, held on April 3rd., the following matters were referred to the County Council for their considerations:

1. That the present arrangement for fairs be allowed to remain until such time as an suitable fair green be provided

2. That an advertisement be put in the local papers soliciting offers of convenient sites for a fair green in or around the town of Roscommon, and that those making offers state where the land is situated, its area, its tenure and the price expected.

3. That on days other than fair days no cattle, sheep or horses be allowed remain or be exposed for sale on the public streets or Square of the town, and that no hawkers pedlars or persons carrying on goods be allowed to transact their business on the public streets or Square and that no boxes, vehicles or other obstructions be allowed to be placed or remain on the footpaths or streets without permission of this Committee of the County Council.

4. That a portion of the present fair green near the Post Office be railled off so as to provide accommodation for the cattle and sheep exposed for sale on days other than fair days.

5. That this Committee is of opinion that public lavatory accommodation is much needed for the town of Roscommon and we hereby advise that our Secretary communicate with the County Surveyor with a view of having specifications made out for one or more lavatories.

6. That the letting of the Fair Green and Weigh bridge be advertised and proposals solicited.

7. That the attention of the County Council be drawn to the Sewerage System of the town with a view to having it improved.

8. That the present unpaid rates and rent be collected forthwith.

9. That Gas Lamps and brackets of the town be seen to and put in order.

COURT HOUSE,
ROSCOMMON.

April 14th., 1924.

H. J. McCourt,
Secretary.