Minutes of Proceedings of Quarterly Meeting of the Roscommon County Council, held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Wednesday. 28th February, 1923.

Councillor M. O'Braonain, Chairman, presided, and the following Members were in attendance:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, Colgan, Cox, Creaton, Gannon, Kenny, T. Lavin, Neary, Ryan, Oates, Moran, Judge, O'Neill, Hughes and Lednish.

Proposed by Councillor S. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor Denis Creaton
And Resolved:-
"That the Minutes of last Meeting be taken as read."

The following correspondence from the Ministry of Local Government was submitted:-
Letter No. 96/11/22 enclosing copy of letter which has been addressed to the County Board of Health re organised arrangements for the treatment of Tuberculosis.
The following resolution

was

was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor John Cox,
Seconded by Councillor T. Lawlor.
And Resolved:-
"That in the matter of provision of facilities for the treatment of Tuberculosis as disclosed in Letter 96/11/22 the Council does not think it would be justified in incurring a heavy expenditure presently in providing the facilities suggested, especially as provision is already made for the treatment of such patients in Beaumont Sanatorium and the number of patients from the County being at present only two."

Circular re the creation of new Polling Districts in the County on the new Electoral Bill being passed by the Dail.
Order made thereon:-
"To be attended to."

Letter No. G. 6068 sanctioning payment of Overdue Accounts.

Circular re Criminal and Malicious Injuries (Amendment) Bill 1923 and the levying of a rate

rate of 6d in the £ for the next five years to be paid into the Road Funds.
Proposed by Councillor S. O'Riain.
Seconded by Councillor Seamus MacEoin:
"That the Council refuse to strike a rate of 6d in the £ for the repairs of Bridges as we consider those Bridges should be made good by the Government and the rates for the ensuing year will be high enough."

The following Amendment was proposed:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor P. Gavin
"That the rate of 6d in the £ as suggested in L.G. Department's Circular be included in the Estimate."

On a Poll being taken the Amendment was lost by 4 Votes to 8.

The following voted for the Amendment:- Councillors M. O'Braonain, Creaton, Gavin and Moran.

The following voted against:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, Cox, Kenny, Ryan, Oates, O'Neill, Hughes and Ledwith

Mr. O'Riain's Motion was then put

put to the Meeting as a Resolution and Carried.

The Secretary submitted a Return showing that the sum of £55.159.1.1 was still outstanding in respect of the Rate Collection for several half-years. He also submitted copy of Circular forwarded to each Collector by the Local Government Inspector for the District calling on them to close their Collections forthwith The following resolutions were passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor D. Creaton.
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Braonain.

"That Collector R. J. O'Brien be dismissed and he be asked to hand in his Books at once to be checked by M. Donnelly

The following Amendment was moved:-

Proposed by Councillor Jas. J. Kenny.
Seconded by Councillor Wm. O'Neill.

"That Mr. O'Brien be given another chance for one month."

On a Poll being taken the Amendment was "Lost" by 4 votes to 9.

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The following voted for the Amendment:- Councillors. Kenny, Moran, O'Neill and Hughes.

The following voted against:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, M. O'Braonain Colgan, Cox, Creaton, Gavin, Ryan. Oates and Ledwith.

Mr. Creaton's ~~puts~~ Motion was then put to the Meeting as a Resolution and carried Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain Seconded by Councillor S. O'Braonain And Resolved:-

"That the Secretary be authorised to insert advertisements for Rate Collector in room of Mr. O'Brien"

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain Seconded by Councillor D. Creaton. And Resolved:-

"That Collectors Martin and Leavey be dismissed. They hand in their Books at once to be checked by Messrs. Donnelly and Banks. Advertisements to be issued."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain Seconded by Councillor James Oates. And Resolved:-

"That the Rate Collectors

Collectors having outstanding amounts of the March, 1922. Collection and previous arrears be obliged to have same lodged to credit of Council by March 31st when a Special Meeting of Council will be held to appoint Rate Collectors and dismiss defaulters.

Applications from Mr. John Byrne, Chief Clerk County Council Office; Mr. L. J. O'Keeffe, Accountant, and Mr. Bernard Burley, County Surveyor's Office, were submitted, asking to have their salaries fixed on the Arbitration basis awarded to the other members of the Council's staff, also applications from Messrs. Dickie, McDonagh, and Dolan for increase of salaries were submitted.
Proposed by Councillor James J. Kenny
Seconded by Councillor S. O'Rian,
"That the Council consider each case of officials applying for increases of salary to be considered separately and Deputy County Surveyors applying for increases to be also

also considered separately. Same to come up at Special Meeting of County Council on 31st March.

The following Amendment was moved:-

Proposed by Councillor Neary.
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Braonain.

"That the Application of Messrs. Byrne, Burley and O'Keeffe, and Deputy Surveyors Dickie, McDonagh and Dolan be submitted to Arbitration."

The Amendment was "Lost" by 16 votes to 10.

The following voted for the Amendment:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, M. O'Braonain, Bolgan, Lamin, Neary & Moran.

The following voted against:- Councillors Cox, Breaton, Gamin, Kenny, Ryan, Oates, Judge, O'Neill, Hughes & Hedwith.

The Motion was then put to the Meeting as a resolution and carried.

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Dian was moved by him:-

"Take Notice that I, or some "other County Councillor on my

my behalf will, at the Quarterly Meeting to be held on the 28th February move that Mrs. B. Banahan be awarded Superannuation"

(Signed) Seamus O'Rian

28th January, 1923

Proposed by Councillor S. O'Rian
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Braonain
And Resolved:-

"That Mrs. B. Banahan ex Rate Collector who resigned on account of old age and infirmity is hereby awarded a retiring allowance of £-100-2-4 per annum to date from the time he resigned."

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor M. O'Braonain was moved by him:-

" I will move at next Meeting
" of Bo Council to be held on the
" 28th February that ex Rate Collector
" Mr Barnacle be given a super-
" annuation at fixed scale"

28th January, 1923 (Sgd) M. O'Braonain

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor S. O'Rian,
And Resolved:-

" That

"That Mrs. M. McCormack, ex. Rate Collector who resigned through old age and ill health be awarded a Superannuation allowance of £24-6-6 to date from the time of his resignation".

The Estimate of Rates for General and Separate Charges for the approaching Financial Year was submitted and the following Resolutions were passed thereon:-

Summary of Rates for General Charges

Rural District	In respect of	Other hereditaments than land	Agricultural Grant	Land
Athlone No. 2	Co. Charges	2/11		2/2
	District do	2/4		1/10
	Total for year	4/3		3/9
Boyle No. 1	Co. Charges	2/11		2/2
	Dist. do	3/4		2/6
	Total for year	4/10		4/8
Banick No. 2	Co. Charges	2/11		2/2
	Dist. do	1/4		=/6
	Total for year	6/3		2/5
Castlerea	Co. Charges	2/11		2/2
	District do	5/4		4/8
	Total for year	9/8		6/4
Roscommon	Co. Charges	2/11		2/2
	Dist.	3/3		2/4
	Total for year	4/8		4/4

Summary of Rates for Separate Charges

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No. in Separate Charges Register	Rural District (2)	Name of Charge (3)	Area Liable (4)	Amt. to be raised (5)	Rate in the £ (6)
1	Athlone	Swds Drainage	Catchment Area	169	3d
1		Athlone R.D. Sanitary	Athlone No. 2 R.D. do		1½d.
2		Bridewell	Bridewell R. District		"
3		Killoom	Killoom do		"
1	Boyle	Town Sanitary	Boyle Urban & R.D.	246	1/=
39		Ballinamore Navigation	Kilcashagh Whole R.D. except E.Ds of Kiledagh Kilmacumsey, Mantua Lisgarve and part of adjoining Divisions		
39	Carrick-on-Shan.	Ballinamore Navigation	Whole R.D. except E.Ds of Skeanteem, Aughrim Rad. Creeve and Kilmore and part of adjoining Divisions.		
1	Castlerea	Swds Drainage	Catchment Area	348	3d
1		Ballaghaderreen Sanitary	Townland of Baderreen		2/6
2		Castlerea do	Castlerea Townland and Railway Bois Station and Yard in townland of Longford valued at £=245		2/8

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
3	Castlerea	Ballaghaderreen Light	Ballaghaderreen T. land and portion of K. lands of Friar Hill. Kilcolman		
4		Castlerea Light	Knockanaconny Lung		3/6
5		Loughglynn Sanitary	Townland of Castlerea		Nil
6		Ballinlough do	Ballaghaderreen District		"
7		Lisacul Telegraph	Castlerea D. District		"
8		Frenchparks Sanitary	Artagh South Division		2
9		Fairymount Telegraph	Frenchparks D. District		-
1	Roscommon	Swels Drainage	Fairymount Division		
1		District Separate Charge	Catchment area	310	3
2a&b		Town Sanitary	Whole Rural District		Nil
			Ardnanagh B. pleasure		
			& Cloonbreelaun in		
			E. Ds of Roscommon		
			Rural and Urban		2/-
			The Remainder of		
			Roscommon R. District		1d
			The other Divisions in		
3&4a&b			the District shared the		
4		Athleague & Tibraney Sanitary	two named above		1/4
5		Moneymore Water Supply	Athleague D. District		Nil
		Ballinamore " "	Roscommon "		"
			Ballyleague "		"
7	Strokestown	Strokestown Town Sanitary	Glenrodon, Farnleg		
			Kildaloge, Lissoyannaher		
		Strokestown D. D. Sanitary	Tesnery Townlands		1/2
		Elphin "	Strokestown D. District		
		Roosky "	Elphin "		
			Roosky "		

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor P. S. O'Naradaig.
And Resolved:-
"That we approve of the Estimate of Rate for General and Separate Charges for Year 1923-1924."

Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Colgain.
Seconded by Councillor Seamus MacCoisee.
And Resolved:-
"That the Proposals for Payments as set out on Forms 22 for the Quarter ended 31st December. 1922. 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."

The Acting County Surveyor read his Report (copy herewith) for the Quarter ended 31st December. 1922. and the following Resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. S. O'Naradaig.
And Resolved:-
"That we hereby approve of the County Surveyors Report."

The Proposals for New Works. Forms 20. from the Rural District Councils

Councils and Form 20 from the Proposal Committee were submitted and the following Resolutions passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Colgain
Seconded by Councillor Seamus O'Coince
And Resolved:-
"That the Proposals for New Works formulated by the several Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee set out on Forms 20, and hereby approved of by us at our Meeting held this day, except the following numbers:-
Castlerea 209
Roscommon 241 which were Rejected
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 Sean O'Colgain
Seconded by Councillor Seamus MacCoince
And Resolved:-
"That the Proposals for New Works formulated by the several Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee set out on Forms 20, and

approved

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:-

Castlerea Nos. 194, 199, 200, 214, 218, 219, 220, 223, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 244, 245, 246, 247, 249, 250 & 251.

Roscommon Nos. 249, 251, 253, 254, 259, 264, 265, 267, 269, 270, 274, 275, 277, 279, 281, 283, 292, 296, 303, 305, 306

Proposal Committee Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

And we authorise our Secretary to Seal this Resolution.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor Denis Creaton
And Resolved:-

"That no works be taken on hands in Castlerea District on the roads approved of to-day until all the 1922 rates are paid by the people that those Roads facilitate."

Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Colgain
Seconded by Councillor S. O'Riain
And Resolved:-

"That we request the Local Government Department to extend the Statutory limit of Road Expenditure for the Financial

Financial Year 1923-'24 in the following Rural Districts:-

Athlone	From	£4,656	To	£5,146
Boyle	"	6,100	"	7,100
Castlerea	"	11,942	"	15,527
Roscommon	"	12,686	"	16,335

Letter from the Clerk of the Athlone No. 2. Rural District Council asking the Council to re-consider their Resolution of the 22nd November re Road Works was marked "Read" also copy of Resolution from the Clerk of the Castlerea R.D. Council re works on Roads made by the Congested Districts Board was marked "Read".

A letter from the Managing Director of the Irish National Assurance Company, College Green, Dublin, asking the Council to give them a share of the Council's business was read and the following Resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Co. Sean O'Colgain,
Seconded by Co. P.S. O'Nanadaig.

And Resolved:-

"That the Fire Insurance on the Courthouse Roscommon

be given to the Irish National Assurance Company Ltd, through their Agent – Mr. Martin Quinn."

Proposed by Co. James J. Kenny,
Seconded by Co. John Cox.
And Resolved:-

"That we, the Co. Council of Roscommon ask the Local Government Department to increase the Grant payable to the County Council in respect of the upkeep of Mental Hospitals as in our opinion it is inadequate, seeing that it is now at the same figure as paid in 1914.

Now that our rates are double what they were in that period and recently they have been treble and on account of the increased cost of living necessitating extra payment to officials, shorter hours for attendants, etc. we would ask you to increase the Grant forthwith, also that all other Councils would participate in asking the L. G. Department to also move in the matter."

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor Park Gavin
Seconded by Co. Park. Ledwith,
And Resolved:-
"That we hereby instruct our Secretary to use every available means to collect Motor Tax from all those liable for same."

Letter from the Manager of the National Bank re overdraft was submitted and the following Resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Co. M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Co. Sean O'Colgain
And Resolved:-
"That with the sanction of the Local Government Department a temporary Overdraft be obtained from the National Bank Ltd, Roscommon, on the Council's account not to exceed for Principal £30.000 to be at Interest at the rate of 4 % and to be repaid as rates come in"

Copy of a Resolution from the Central I.R.A. Members Association was marked "Adopted"

Orders

Other unimportant correspondence re Road Gangers in Athlone District was marked "Read".

The following Dates were fixed for Meetings of the Rural District Councils, the Proposal Committee & the Co. Council:-

Athlone	Sat. 14th April, '23	1 o'clock
Roscommon	Thurs. 12th " "	do
Boyle	Sat. 14th " "	do
Ballinasloe	Thurs. 19th " "	do
Castlerea	Sat. 21st " "	do

Proposal Committee

Roscommon Wed. 25th April, '23 11.30 a.m.

County Council

Roscommon Wed. 16th May, '23 11.30 a.m.

(Signed) T. O'Beirne
Chairman

25-4-1923