ROSCOMMON COUNTY COUNCIL

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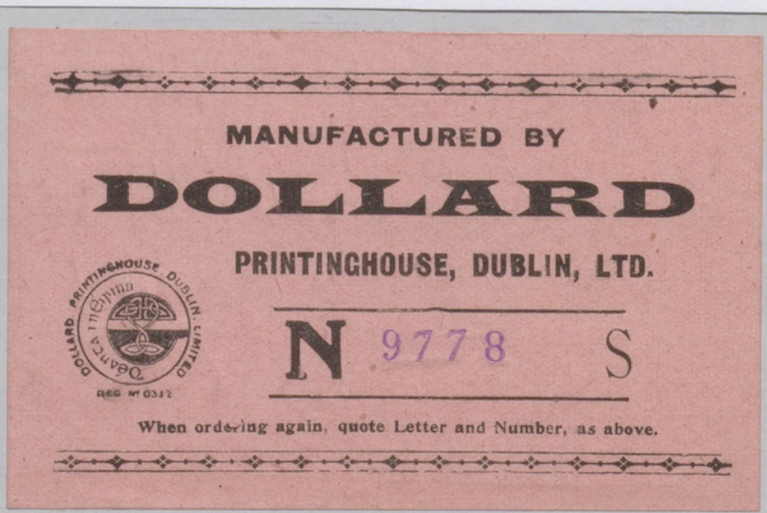

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DOLLARD,
DUBLIN.

Minutes of Proceedings of Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on the 18th May, 1920.

Councillor Grogan presided and the following councillors were in attendance:- Councillors Waters, P. J. Beirne, Drury, Shanagher, Conry, J. Kelly, O'Brien, Creaton, Keogh, Killian, Murray, Igoe, Martin and Devine.

Proposed by Councillor J. Martin, Seconded by Councillor Park. Murray,

And Resolved:-

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

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

Letters Nos. 30932 and 30933 enclosing copies of the Auditor's Reports on the Accounts of Strokestown Rural District and Strokestown Union for half-year ended 30th September, 1919.

Letter No. 30216 relative to the widening of the Castlerea Viaduct, and that the County

County Council will take steps at a later stage to obtain compulsorily all necessary lands, which cannot be secured by Agreement for the carrying out of the work. The following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor T. Martin,
Seconded by Councillor T. J. O'Brien,
And Resolved:-
"That having heard read letter No. 30216 of the 3rd May from the Local Government Board relative to Castlerea Viaduct, we direct Mr. Dickie, Assistant County Surveyor, to take the necessary steps to have the work completed and in the event of land being required for the completion of same we direct him to consult our Solicitor on the matter."
Letter No. 1550 stating that the Board have forwarded Mr. Verney's name to the Civil Service Commissioners as a person eligible for examination for the position of County Surveyor.

Letter from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction

Instruction for Ireland relative to the attendance of members on the bounty bommittee was submitted and marked "Read".

Letter from Dublin Castle No. 64222 relative to payment to bourthkeeper at Belfast for extra expenses for the holding of the Winter Assizes was submitted.

The following Report of the bommittee appointed to deal with the question of salaries was submitted:-

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The applications of the under-named officials having been before us, make the following recommendations, that the salaries of the following officials be increased as follows:- John Byrne £50, b. O'Keeffe, £10, P. Gillooly £16, B. Banahan £12, J. Kilmartin £12, Miss Kelly £12, B. Burley £10-16-0 J. Sennett £16-14, M. M: Dermott £12, M. Leech £12, J. Mc. Donagh £12.

Application from the Veterinary Inspectors and letter from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction re Tuberculosis were referred

referred to next Meeting
(Signed) Patrick J. Beirne
John Drury
E. P. Keogh
M. H. Lynagan
Denis Creaton

By directions of the Chairman the Report was put to the Meeting after some discussion.

The following voted for the adoption of the Report:- Councillors P. J. Beirne, Drury, Shanagher, Lynagan, Conroy, and Creaton. The following voted against the Report:- Councillors Y. Kelly, O'Brien, Killian, Murray, Martin and Devine. The Chairman gave his casting vote in favour of the Report and declared same carried. Councillors Waters and Igoe did not vote. It was then stated that Councillor Conroy intended to vote against the Report but the Chairman said he had given his decision and the Report was adopted.

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters.
Seconded by Councillor D. Creaton
And Resolved:-
"That the County
Surveyor's

Surveyors clerks, Messrs. Burley and Sennett be taken over by the Council and paid direct as other officials.

Letter from the Ministry of Transport (Ireland) relative to limits of expenditure on roads in the Roscommon and Strokestown Rural Districts was submitted.

The Proposals for Payments were considered and the following Resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor Denis Beaton,
Seconded by Councillor Park. J. Beirne,
And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals for Payments as set out on Forms 22. for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1920 made by the several Rural District Councils and the Proposal Committee and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved."

The Treasurer's Advice Notes were signed.

Report from the Acting County

County Surveyors was submitted and the following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor John Henry,
Seconded by Councillor P. Conroy,
"And Resolved:-
"That the Report of the Acting County Surveyors' be adopted and that additional stone breaking machinery be obtained to provide the necessary road material."

The Forms 20 from the Rural District Councils were submitted and the following resolutions were passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor Peter Shanagher,
Seconded by Councillor James Igoe,
And Resolved:-
"That the Proposals for New Works and Maintenance Works formulated by the several Rural District Councils and (the Proposal Committee) set out on Forms 20 and submitted to our Council this day be and are hereby approved, except the following numbers:-

Carrick-on-Shannon No. 2.	Nos.	624 & 625
Boyle No. I	"	28 & 29
	and	32

which

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 James Igoe,
Seconded by Councillor Peter Shanagher.
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:-

Athlone No. 2	No. 4.
Carrick-on-Shannon No. 2	" 631
Boyle No. I	" 23, 32, 35

And we authorise our Secretary to Seal this Resolution".

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Killian relative to road gangers and men working on Direct Labour was withdrawn.

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In pursuance of Notice of Motion the following resolution was passed:-
Proposed by Councillor Thomas Kelly,
Seconded by Councillor John Drury,
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. Patrick Drury late Rate Collector be allowed superannuation allowance calculated at two-thirds of his salary and emoluments at date of resignation."

Proposed by Councillor Thos. Kelly,
Seconded by Councillor Thos. J. Devine,
And Resolved:-
"That we ask the Local Government Board to allow us pay balance of poundage fees to ex-Collector Pat Drury on the amount of his Warrant for the half-year ended 31st March, 1920. He was only paid at the rate of 1/6d in the £ as through a mistake in mixing a large lodgment from Castlerea on the 31st December it did not appear in the Bank Books till the 1st January."

The Secretary read letter from Collector Tyler requesting payment

payment of balance of poundage fees for the half-years ended 30th September, 1919, and 31st March last.

The following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor Thos. J. Devine,
Seconded by Councillor Thos. Kelly.

And Resolved:-

"That we ask the Local Government Board to allow us to pay balance of poundage to Collector Tyler for the half-years ended 30th September, 1919, and 31st March, 1920, as he was only paid at the rate of =/6d in the £ on the amount of his Warrant for these half-years as he was unable to lodge one-third of his Warrants before the period prescribed owing to illness".

The Secretary read letter from Mr. Patrick Croghan resigning his position as Rate Collector for the Divisions of Cloonygormican, Donamon and Rosmoylan. The following order was made thereon:- "Accepted".

Proposed by Councillor Thomas Kelly.
Seconded by Councillor Peter Shanagher.

And Resolved:-

"That the resignation of

of Mr. Pat Brogham, Poor Rate Collector for the Electoral Divisions of Bloomygommican Bonamon and Rosmoylan be accepted."

Letter from Mr. John Brogham applying for the position rendered vacant by his father's resignation was submitted and the following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters,
Seconded by Councillor Thos. J. Devine,
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. John Brogham be appointed Poor Rate Collector for the Electoral Divisions of Bloomygommican, Bonamon and Rosmoylan rendered vacant by the resignation of his father - Mr. Pat Brogham."

The Collectors Refund Lists were submitted and recommendations made thereon.

The following were also submitted:-
Claims for Malicious Injuries and Reports of the Police thereon.

Reports

Reports from Inspectors under the Food and Drugs Acts, Report from the Resident Medical Superintendent of Pearmount Sanatorium.

The Requirement Book was signed and all other correspondence was marked "Read".

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

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Athlone	Sat. 3rd July, 1920	10 o'clock
Castlerea	" 14th " "	Noon
Strokestown	Fri. 16th " "	10 o'clock
Roscommon	Sat. 10th " "	do.
Carrick-on-Shan.	Thurs. 22nd " "	do.
Boyle	Wed. 28th " "	do.

Proposal Committee

Roscommon Wed. 18th August. 11.30 a.m.

County Council

Roscommon Fri. 10th September. 11.30 a.m.

Andrew S. O'Farrell
Chairman

Minutes of Proceedings at Annual Meeting of the Roscommon County Council, held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on the 21st June, 1920.

Councillor D. J. Kelly, outgoing Chairman presided, and the following were in attendance:- Messrs. J. Brennan, M. Brennan, Colgan, Cox, Creaton, Doyle, Duignan, Gavin, Kenny, B. V. Lavan, A. Lavin, T. Lavin, Neary, Ryan, Shine, Ward, Macken, Feehily, McCormack, McGovern and Oates.

All the Councillors present signed the Statutory Declarations of Acceptance of office.

The Secretary submitted correspondence from the District Clerks relative to the representatives appointed by the District Council

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Proposed by Councillor Miceal MacAarrd,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O'Colgain
And Resolved:-

"That Mr. R. Madden, Knockadoo, be co-opted a member of Roscommon County Council".

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Gavin;
Seconded by Councillor Michael Macken,
And Resolved:-
"That Patrick Ledwith be co-opted a member of Roscommon County Council".

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
Seconded by Councillor Sean O'Colgain,
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. A. Lavin be elected Chairman."
The Chairman then made the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office".

Proposed by Councillor Denis Creaton,
Seconded by Councillor James J. Kenny,
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. Michael Brennan be elected Vice-Chairman of Roscommon County Council".
The Vice-Chairman then made the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office".

Proposed by Councillor Aizopuc O'Kuzyn
Seconded by Councillor Micest O'Spronzin
And Resolved:-
"That we exceedingly regret our inability to conduct the business of this Council in

in the Irish Language. However we can only console ourselves that it is no fault of ours that we are obliged to speak in Bearla.

We therefore pledge ourselves to do all we can to learn the language so that we may yet be able to transact all the business of our Meetings in Irish, and we also pledge our utmost support to the Gaelic League in its efforts to realise an Irish speaking people.

We also pledge ourselves to the following:-

(1) Knowledge of the Irish Language will in future be a special consideration in making all appointments under the County Council.

(2) Headings on all Council papers to be in Irish, and cheques and money orders to be printed entirely in Irish when present supply is exhausted."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Bpaoyaiy
Seconded by Councillor P. S. O'Yapysaig
And Resolved:-
"That

"That this Council of the elected representatives of Roscommon County Council 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 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 U.S.A"

Proposed by Councillor Seosamh MacCormaic
Seconded by Councillor Seamus Oates.
And Resolved:-
"That this Council of the elected representatives of Roscommon congratulate the I.R.A. on the many victories they have gained in the field, the many fortresses they have captured and the many general successes they have achieved, that we earnestly hope their arms may be crossed with equal if not greater

greater successes in the future till the final victory is achieved and the Army of Occupation driven from the Country.

That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Commander-in-Chief of the I. R. A. the President of the United States and the Premier of Great Britain."

The Secretary read letter from Mr. M. H. Grogan stating that he was not accepting the office of County Councillor

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Proposed by Councillor M. O'Brogan
Seconded by Councillor James J. Kenny
And Resolved:-

"That the entire Council be appointed Finance and Proposal Committee, three to form a quorum. That the Treasurer's Advice Notes for payments out of the Subsidiary Account be signed every fortnight by any three members."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Brogan
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Gavin
And Resolved:-

"That the following be appointed on the Diseases of Animals

Annuals Acts Committee:- "The entire Council."

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Lavin,
Seconded by Councillor Thos. Mc. Govern,
And Resolved:-
"That the following be appointed on the General Management Committee:- "The entire Council."
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Bpsorgin,
Seconded by Councillor James J. Kenny,
And Resolved:-
"That the following be appointed on the Infirmary Committee:- Messrs. Doyle, Neary, Ward, Colgan, Miss Sharkey, Cox, P. J. Beirne, Creaton, B. V. Lavan, T. Lavin, J. Brennan, D. J. Kelly, Lavin, Geraghty, M. O'Bpsorgin, and J. Oates."

Proposed by Councillor Thos. Lavin,
Seconded by Councillor James Oates,
And Resolved:-
"That the following be appointed on the Asylum Committee:- Denis J. Kelly, Patrick Lavin, P. Sedwith, B. V. Lavan, J. J. Kenny, D. Creaton, Rev. M. O'Flanagan Roscommon, and Rev. James Neary, Dunn."

M. O'Bpsorgin

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The Secretary read letter from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction relative to the appointment of members on the County Committee of Agriculture and the following resolution was passed :-

Proposed by Councillor Bernd V. Lavan
Seconded by Councillor Denis Keaton.
And Resolved :-

"That the entire Council form the Committee of Agriculture and Technical Instruction with a power of co-option to the number of six, one-fourth to form a quorum"

Proposed by Councillor Denis Keaton,
Seconded by Councillor B. V. Lavan
And Resolved :-

"That Mr. M. Brennan Mr. Colgan, Mr. Doyle, act on the General Council of County Councils"

Proposed by Councillor Thos. Lavin,
Seconded by Councillor B. V. Lavan,
And Resolved :-

"That the whole Council form a Pension Committee one-fourth to form a quorum."

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
Seconded by Councillor Denis Creaton,
And Resolved:-
"That the Athlone District Sub-Pension Committee be composed of the following:-
Messrs. William Shine, Michael Macken, Rev. Father O'Beirne, C.C. Athlone, Ven. Archdeacon Keane, P.P. Athlone, Rev. Father Gallagher, C.C. Athlone, Owen Dolan, Connaught Street, Athlone, Michael J. O'Meara, Connaught Street, Athlone, Sean O'Hurley, and D. J. Kelly, Dysart."

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Gavin,
Seconded by Councillor Jas. J. Kenny.
And Resolved:-
"That the Ballinasloe District Sub-Pension Committee be composed of the following:-
Mr. Park. Gavin, Derrylahan, Thowastown, Athlone
" Park. Ledwith, Cappahuse, do. do.
" Francis Kenny, Curnaveigh, Cloonfad, B. sloe
" John Turley, Culliagh do. do.
" Edward O'Connor, Ballydangan do
Rev. John Mylott, do do
Mr. Joseph Burke, Ardnaglug do
" Michael Kenny, Clooneash, Cloonfad, do
" Kieran Daly, Cameloon, Thowastown, Athlone

Proposed by Councillor Michael Ward,
Seconded

Seconded by Councillor Edward Doyle.
And Resolved:-
"That the Boyle
District Sub-Pension Committee
be composed of the following:-
Mr. M. Ward, Boyle, Mr. J. Feeley, Boyle.
Mr. P. Duignan, Keadue. Rev. Mr. Wagner
Boyle, Canon Shanley, Boyle,
Rev. T. Flanagan, Rootehall,
Mr. A. Lavin, Ballyfarnon,
Mr. E. Doyle, Crossna, and
Mr. P. McLaughlin, Boyle."

Proposed by Councillor Park. J. Neary,
Seconded by Councillor Seosamh MacCormaic
And Resolved:-
"That the Carrick-
on-Shannon, No. 2. District Sub-Pension
Committee be composed of the
following:-
Mr. Michael Rockey, Lisadorn, Elphin,
" P. J. Neary, Carrow, Elphin
" Seosamh MacCormaic, Carrick-on-Shannon
Rev. Father Glynn, Drumlion
Mr. Patrick Dunleavy, Kilmore,
" James Dunn, Ballagh
" Martin Mc Dermott, Drumlion,
" Patrick Kielly, Rootehall,
" Michael Mc Gowan, Tumna, Carrick."

Proposed by Councillor Bernd V. Lavan,
Seconded by Councillor Denis Creaton
And

And Resolved:-

"That the following be appointed Old Age Pension Sub-Committee for the Castlerea Rural District save and except the Dispensary Districts of Loughglynn and Ballaghaderreen:-

Mr. Thos. Lavin, Bleggenagh, Frenchpark
" Bernard V. Lavin, Ballintlough
Rev. Father Loftus, Bloomfad
Mr. P. Burke do
Canon Hanly, Castlerea
Mr. Patrick Heneghan, Ballintlough
Mr. Jack Brennan, Emlagh, Castleplunket
" Thos. Mc Govern, Willsgrove, Ballintubber
" Frank Forde, Castlerea.

Proposed by Councillor Denis Keaton,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O'Donovan
And Resolved:-

"That the following be appointed members of the Old Age Pension Sub-Committee for the following part of Castlerea Union. The Dispensary Districts of Ballaghaderreen and Loughglynn:-

Father Gallagher. Ballaghaderreen
Mr. P. J. Beirne do
" P. J. Waters do
" John Keaton do
Rev. Canon B. Geraghty, Loughglynn
Mr. Andrew Keaveney do.

Mr.

Mr. Denis Kreaton, Loughglynn
Rev. Michael O'Beirne, b.b. Lisacul
Mr. Wm. Madden, Boyeghal, do "

Proposed by Councillor James Oates,
Seconded by Councillor Thos. Lavin,
And Resolved:-
"That Messrs. J. J. Kenny,
M. O'Gorman, George Geraghty,
Frank Judge, Rev. Canon Cummins,
Father Kenny, Father Kenny,
Father Finan, P. J. Skally, and
Father Hurley be appointed
members of the Roscommon
Old Age Pension Sub-Committee."

Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Colgain
Seconded by Councillor Michael Ward,
And Resolved:-
"That the following
be appointed members of the
Strokestown District Sub-Pension
Committee:-
Rev. Canon Mc. Dermott, Elphin
" Dean Geraghty, Strokestown
Seamus O'Riain do
Una O'Farrell do
John Cox, Kilbarry, Rooskey.
Michael Greene, Quane, Kilglass, Strokestown
Sean S. O'Colgain, Elphin.
Tomas O'Fagan, Strokestown
Michael Mc. Hugh do.

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor John Cox.
Seconded by Councillor W. O'Dwyer
And Resolved:-
"That Miss O'Farrell,
Messrs. D. J. Kelly, W. Ward, Miss Starkey,
J. J. Colgan, J. Geraghty, B. V. Lavan,
and J. J. Kenny be appointed
members of the County Roscommon
Insurance Committee."

Proposed by Councillor Denis Keaton.
Seconded by Councillor John Cox.
And Resolved:-
"That Bernard V.
Lavan, Jack Brennan, D. J. Kelly,
James J. Kenny, Canon Cummins,
Father O'Flanagan, Michael Ward,
Michael Brennan, James Oates
and Mr. Doyle, be appointed
members on the University Committee."

Proposed by Councillor Michael O'Dwyer.
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
And Resolved:-
"That the existing
members of the Agricultural
Council, Messrs. J. D. O'Farrell
and Maguire, representing the
Roscommon County Committee
of Agriculture and Technical
Instruction be asked to retire
as they now cease to represent
the

the people and thereby give the new committee the powers of appointing two members"

The Secretary read telegram from Miss Sharkey of which the following is a copy:-

Liscannor Roscommon

21st July, 1920

County Council Clerk Heverin Courthouse, Roscommon.

Circumstances unavoidable detained me in Clare. Regret inability of being with new council to-day. God save the Republic.

Una Sharkey.

The following correspondence from the Local Government Board was submitted:-

Letter No. 37408 enclosing copy of the Auditor's Report on the Accounts of Boyle Union for the half-year ended 31st March, 1920.

Letter No. 36714 relative to the construction of the Rockhill Road in the County of Roscommon and stating that they had authorised an advance of £547-7-10

to

to meet the balance of expenditure due on this work when it was closed down in December last.
Letters Nos. 37787. 38373. and 39522 relative to the widening of Castlerea Viaduct also letter from Miss and Mr. O'Farrell, Castlerea. relative to same. The Secretary explained all the particulars with reference to the widening and the following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor J. J. Kenny.
Seconded by Councillor Thos. Lavin.
And Resolved:-
"That in reference to Castlerea Viaduct propose that no further action be taken in regard to carrying out the work until our new County Surveyor be appointed."
Letter No. 38550 giving sanction to loans of £950 and £550 for the purpose of steam rolling roads in the Rural Districts of Athlone No. 2 and Ballinasloe No. 2 respectively.
Other correspondence was also submitted.

The following correspondence from

from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction was submitted:-
Letters Nos. 3418 and 673 relative to the Bovine Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1914
Letters Nos. 1263 and 1499 relative to arrangements with reference to sheep dipping and correspondence from the Sheep Dipping Inspectors.
The following resolution was passed:-
Proposed by Councillor J. J. Kenny.
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Dwyer.
And Resolved:-
"That the present system dealing with the sheep dipping arrangements be suspended and at the next Meeting a Scheme be formulated for the proper and effective carrying out of sheep dipping. In the meantime we instruct the people to have their sheep dipped in a proper and thorough manner and every effort made to prevent any outbreak of disease irrespective of any other authority."

Letters from the Irish Land Commission relative to Arrears

arrears due on a farm situated in the Electoral Division of Ballinagh the area of the holding amounting to 216 acres, 1 rood, and 28 perches, arrears £466-14-6. After some discussion it was decided that the Secretary write to the parties concerned to know what they intend doing.
Letter No. 15899 relative to the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds (Ireland) Act, 1909, was submitted.

Proposed by Councillor Thomas Lavin.
Seconded by Councillor James Oates,
And Resolved:-
"That all applications re Annual Revision be forwarded to the Valuation Office."

Proposed by Councillor Denis Beaton.
Seconded by Councillor J. J. Kenny,
And Resolved:-
"That all licences under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act be renewed."

Proposed by Councillor Seosamh McCormaic
Seconded by Councillor Seamus E. O'Ficeallaig
And Resolved:-
"That the leaf on which a resolution is written which

which condemned the Rising of 1916 be torn from the Book and burned".

The following Amendment was moved:-

Proposed by Councillor W. O'Brosnan
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Gavin.

"That we, the members of the Roscommon County Council in Meeting assembled on June 21st. 1920, condemn in the strongest manner possible the resolution passed by the Roscommon County Council on the 16th May. 1916, condemning the Rebellion against British Rule in Dublin in Easter Week 1916 and while we strongly desire to eliminate it from the Minute Book and burn it, we feel at the same time that our purpose will be better served and the perfidy of the men who passed the resolution better exposed by having it retained as at present in the Minutes with a copy of this resolution sealed on it with the Seal of the County Council."

The Amendment was then put to the Meeting and the following voted for:- Councillors J. Brennan, M. Brennan, Beaton, Gavin.

Gavin, Kelly, Kenny, B. V. Lavan and McGovern. The following voted against:- Councillors Colgan, Cox, Doyle, Duignan, A. Lavin, T. Lavin, Neary, Ward, Feehily, McCormack, and Oates.

The Amendment was then declared "Lost" by 8 votes to 11, and the Motion was put to the Meeting as a resolution and carried and the page of the Minute Book containing the Resolution was burned by Councillor McCormack.

Proposed by Councillor Sean S. O'Cotzun
Seconded by Councillor J. E. Feeley,
And Resolved:-

"That we, the members of the Roscommon County Council wish to place on record our appreciation of the action of the Railway employees and Transport workers in refusing to handle the munitions of war for the destruction of the people of Ireland and we pledge our support to and ask the people of the County Roscommon to assist by every means in their power, those men who are carrying on the fight"

Proposed by Councillor Seagan MacCopuysic,
Seconded

Seconded by Councillor Seruzup O'Ficeallrig
And Resolved:-
"That the Sub-Sheriff being an agent of the High Sheriff and having given assistance to the Army of Occupation in occupying the Courthouse propose that the County Council cancel the salary paid to the Sub-Sheriff for the future."

Application from the Veterinary Inspectors for an increase on their pre war salaries was submitted and marked "Adjourned"

Report from Sir Charles Cameron was submitted.
Application from the Hibernian Insurance Company stating that they were in position to offer a discount of 10% on Insurance premiums subject to the Insurance being left with them for a period of 5 years the premium being paid annually in advance as at present was Refused.

Claims for Malicious Injuries and reports of the police thereon were submitted and the following resolution

resolution was passed:-
Proposed by Councillor Seamus O'Riain
Seconded by Councillor Seosamh MacCormaic.
And Resolved:-
"That the Council instruct its Solicitor not to defend any Malicious Injury Claims arising out of the state of war existing between the Republican Forces and the army of Occupation that the claim for the burning of the Ballaghaderreen Courthouse be not proceeded with, and that all correspondence re claims for Malicious Injury arising out of aforementioned war be burned on receipt."

Proposed by Councillor Seosamh MacCormaic
Seconded by Councillor Padraig S. O'Dubhda
And Resolved:-
"That all officials of the Council be instructed to supply no information to the Collectors of Income Tax and that any requisition forms which have been received from them be produced for the Council to destroy."

Proposed by Councillor J. E. Feely,
Seconded by Councillor Jas. McCormack
And Resolved:-
"That

"That disputes between the Roscommon County Council and the general public be submitted in future to Arbitration Boards appointed by An Dail"

Proposed by Councillor Seamus O'Ruairc
Seconded by Councillor Seosamh MacCormaic
And Resolved:-

"That as the Arigna mines are in our area and as the development of the industries of our country should claim our first consideration propose this Council invite Mr. Darrell Figgis, Secretary of the Commission of Inquiry into the industries and resources of Ireland to visit our country to inquire as to the possible development of the said mines and that whatever assistance the Council can give from their engineers or otherwise be given."

The Secretary read following copy of resolution passed by the Bank Corporation and it was proposed by Councillor D. J. Kelly and seconded by Councillor B. V. Lavan and adopted:-

(1) The so-called law of compensation which

which exists in no other civilised country, whereby the community is fined and penalised for acts of individuals, including even the criminal activities of foreign police and military.
(2) The kidnapping and imprisonment of untried and unconvicted men, women and children, and the attempts to capture and assassinate men engaged in the civic administration of the country.
(3) The organisation of the so-called police force which recent verdicts and events have proved to be a Murder Society, whose object is the destruction of all law and order, and we call upon every public Body in Ireland to endorse this Resolution, and to forward it to the Irish Bishops."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Byrne
Seconded by Councillor Denis Creaton.
And Resolved:-
"That the Time Sheets in respect of fortnight ended 28th May be signed on to-morrow by any three members of the Finance Committee."

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor Proprsig O'Dubyeanyan
Seconded by Councillor Proprsig O'Nyproisig
And Resolved:-
"That the Secretary of this Council be directed to forward a copy of the agenda to the Secretaries of the North and South Roscommon Executive of Sinn Fein at the time it is being sent to the Councillors and a copy of the Minutes be sent Dail Eireann"

The Secretary read letter from Mr. Harry Rogers, Kilmore, Drumsna withdrawing his resignation as sheep dipping Inspector, was marked "Received".

The following Notice of Motion in Mr. Kenny's was handed in:-
"That the Secretary furnish at next Meeting the names of the several officers, salaries of each under the various heads, years of service, emoluments, etc. in the employment of the County Council"

(Signed) J. J. Kenny

Proposed by Councillor Sean S. O'Colgrin
Seconded by Councillor Seogrin MacCormyric
And

And Resolved:-

"That we appoint Messrs. McBrayne, Kenny, and Geraghty to seal and sign the Rate Collectors Warrants"

Lyndhurst S. Okerson
Chairman

Minutes of Proceedings of Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on the 18th August, 1920.

Councillor A. Lavin, Chairman presided and the following were in attendance:- Councillors M. Brennan, Colgan, Cox, Duignan, Geraghty, Greene, Kenny, Neary, Ward, Feehily, Mc. Cormack, Oates and Miss Shanbery.

The Statutory Declarations of Acceptance of office were signed by Miss Shanbery and Councillor M. Greene.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Gpsonain
Seconded by Councillor George Geraghty.
And Resolved:-
"That the Minutes of last two Meetings be taken as read".

The following correspondence from the Local Government Board was submitted:-
Letter No. 42544 relative to the Capital Grant in Aid of the provision of residential accommodation for tuberculosis patients.

Letter

Letter No. 42414 enclosing copy of letter from the Ministry of Labour asking that the ex-service men working on the Rockhill Colliery Road be paid weekly.

Letter No. 42008 sanctioning payment of full poundage fees to Collector Drury in respect of the collection of the 1st moiety of the rates for the year ended 31st March, 1920.

Letters Nos. 42008, 45547, 46434, re Collector John Tyler's balance of poundage fees for September, 1919, half-year and asking to be furnished with medical certificate regarding his illness, and adjourning the matter until the completion of the current half-year's collection.

Letter No. 46153 returning the refund lists of the different rate Collectors with the rulings of the Board stamped thereon.

Letter No. 45944 Superannuation allowance to Mr. Patrick Drury late rate Collector in County Roscommon, and stating same may be paid from the date on which he

he ceased to hold office.

Letter No. 45989 re security of the poor rate collectors in Roscommon County and stating that the Board are in communication with the London & Lancashire Insurance Company.

Letter No. 46838 enclosing copy of the Auditor's Report on the Accounts of the Roscommon County Council for the half-year ended 30th September, 1919.

Letter No. 4122/M Circular letter stating that the Government have given the Board explicit instructions that no loans or grants from public funds for any purpose shall be made by the Local Government Board to any local authority without a definite assurance that they will submit their accounts to audit and be prepared to conform to the Rules and orders of the Local Government Board as heretofore.

The following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor S. McCormack.
Seconded

Seconded by Councillor Propsy O'Dubgeryn,
And Resolved:-
"That the correspondence re loans from the Local Government Board be immediately burned."

The letter was torn from the file and burned by members of the Council.

Letter No. 6902 forwarding result of the examination received from the Civil Service Commissioners of the candidates for the position of County Surveyor, and stating that the election of a County Surveyor may now be proceeded with.

The following resolution was passed:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Dpsoyrin.
Seconded by Councillor G. Geraghty.
And Resolved:-
"That An Dsit Eyeryn be asked if their Department in Local Government is satisfied as to the present system of examination and the manner in which candidates are not allowed to sit for the qualifying examination for County Surveyorship. As the position is now vacant in this

this bounty same to be unfilled until such time as the Department of Ag Dept issues its instructions on the subject, and if thought necessary have a new examination held by whatever engineering authority Ag Dept thinks entitled to carry out such examination".

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

Letter No. 1499 asking whether the usual arrangements for Sheep Dipping in bounty Loscommon came up for consideration at the Meeting held on the 21st June.

Letter No. 1545 enclosing scale of fees prepared by the Veterinary Medical Association of Ireland and sanctioned by the Department in connection with the Bovine Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1914.

The following resolution was passed:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Gorman.
Seconded by Councillor L. Geraghty.

And Resolved:-

"That

"That Declaration Forms be procured by the Secretary, bounty Council re sheep Dipping, same to be delivered to each bounty bounciller for his area, who will in turn deliver to the Irish Volunteers to have handed into the house of every sheep owner in the bounty with a requisition that the dipping be properly and efficiently carried out and the Declaration Forms duly filled and taken to the fairs and markets."

Application from the Veterinary Inspectors in the bounty for increase of salary was submitted and marked "Read".

Letters from the Irish Land Commission relative to arrears due on a farm in Ballinagh Electoral Division and letters from the owners on the same subject were submitted and the following resolution was passed:-

Proposed by bounciller M. O'Brosnan,
Seconded by bounciller A. O'Rourke,
And Resolved:-

"That the Secretary

of

of the bounty bouncil make out an Order demanding payment of the sums due by the Kenny Brothers on the farms of Lyst-nasoolhoy and Boolnageer, same to be placed in the hands of the Registrar of the Local Republican Land bommission bount to have carried out by the Irish Volunteers."

The Secretary submitted the following Reports:-
Quarterly Report of the Public Analyst,
Report of the bounty Inspector showing free and extra force in the bounty,
Reports from the Resident Medical Superintendent, Peamount, on patients sent to the Sanatorium.
Proposed by bouncillor Jas. J. Kenny,
Seconded by bouncillor James Oates,
And Resolved:-

"That we hereby ratify the action of our Secretary in sending the following patients to Peamount Sanatorium and hereby agree to payment of their maintenance whilst undergoing treatment:-

Laurence Gaffney, Frenchpark.
Mrs. Woods, Ballaghaderreen,
Mrs.

Mrs. Darby, Frenchpark.
Mrs. Quinn, Ballaghaderreen.
Miss. Rogerson, Ballyforan.
Miss. Raine, Corbally.
Mrs. Caulfield, Ballaghaderreen.

The Secretary read letter from the Secretary of Pearmount Sanatorium stating that the charge for patients sent to the Sanatorium from the 1st August will be at the rate of 42/= weekly. The following order was made thereon:- "Approved."

The Secretary read the following letter from the Chairman and Mr. Colgan with reference to the preparation of the Jurors Lists in the County:-

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Copy

County of Roscommon.

The Secretary,
Roscommon County Council,

Sir,

We, the undersigned members of the Roscommon County Council hereby ask you not to proceed with the preparation of the Jurors Lists until the County Council at their next Meeting decide as to what action is to be taken in regard to same. We hereby request

that

that this matter be included in the agenda of next Meeting.

Dated this 13th day of July, 1920.

(Signed) Ainzopuc S. O'Trinjin (C. man)

Sesn S. O'Colgsin

A resolution was proposed that the officials be requested not to attend the Revision Sessions and after consultation the resolution was withdrawn.

The Secretary submitted Report of the Conference held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on the 29th July, 1920, between the County Council and Colonel Moore and Mr. Darrel Figgis on behalf of the Commission of Inquiry into the resources and industries of Ireland, also minutes of a special meeting of the Leitrim County Council relating to same, and a letter addressed to the Chairman from the North Roscommon Executive recommending the following persons to be approved of on the Committee appointed to deal with the matter, namely, Rev. Father Meehan, P.P. Keadue, Rev. Father Roddy, C.C. Geevagh, Mr. A. Lavin, Chairman County Council, Mr. P. J. Duignan and

Mr.

Mr. Joseph McCormack. The letter was marked "Adopted".

A number of Claims for Malicious Injuries and Reports of the Police on same were submitted and burned by some members of the County Council. Proposed by Councillor S. Mac Coprysic, Seconded by Councillor George Geraghty, And Resolved:-

"That all Malicious Injury Claims and Reports of the police on same submitted to us to-day be burned".

The Secretary read application from Mr. M. Healy, Organiser Irish Transport and General Workers Union, for an increase of wages for men engaged on Direct Labour in the County Roscommon.

Mr. Healy was present at the Meeting and made a statement. Proposed by Councillor George Geraghty. Seconded by Councillor S. Mac Coprysic.

"That all road labourers wages in future be £2-2-0 per week and all gangers be paid £2-10 per week to start from next fortnight."

The following Amendment was

was moved:-
Proposed by Councillor P. J. Neary,
Seconded by Councillor Jas. J. Kenny,
"That bona-fide
labourers get 36/- weekly and that
farmers or farmers sons be only
employed where genuine labourers
cannot be had and that gangers
get 50/- per week."

The Amendment was then
put to the Meeting and the
following voted for same:-
Councillors M. Brennan, Kenny
and Neary.

The following voted against:-
Councillors Colgan, Duignan,
Geraghty, Greene, A. Lavin,
Mc Cormack and Shankey. The
following did not vote:-
Councillors Ward and Oates.

The Amendment was then
declared Lost and the original
Motion was then put to the
Meeting and carried as a
Resolution:-
Proposed by Councillor George Geraghty,
Seconded by Councillor Seosamh MacCormaic
And Resolved:-
"That all road
labourers wages in future be
£2-2 per week and all gangers be
paid £2-10 per week to start from
next

next fortnight."

Letter from the Ministry of Pensions notifying the County Council of the appointment of persons to be members of the Roscommon Local War Pensions Committee was submitted, and no order was made thereon.

In pursuance of Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Kenny the Secretary read the names of the several officers and the salaries of each.

In pursuance of Notice of Motion from Councillor M. Brennan that the resolution fixing the quorum of the County Committee of Agriculture and Technical Instruction be rescinded and the number "five" be substituted, was submitted and the following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Bryonsin,
Seconded by Councillor Sean S. O'Cotzsin.
And Resolved:-
"That the quorum of our Committee of Agriculture and Technical Instruction be reduced to five".

Proposed

Proposed by bouncillor Seay S. O'Colgain,
Seconded by bouncillor Michael Greene,
And Resolved:-
"That the Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee be authorised to appoint five more members to their Body."

Letters from Messrs. McDonagh and Boland, Dublin, asking the bouncil to give their Insurances into their hands was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "When Insurances expire Messrs. McDonagh and Boland will be communicated with."

Letter from Doctor O'Donoghue claiming payment of his fee for examining a lunatic was submitted, and applications for payment from the Volunteers for conveying lunatics to Ballinasloe Asylum were also submitted and in each case the order made was that same be referred to the District bouncil or Guardians.
Proposed by bouncillor M. O'Gpsonan
Seconded by bouncillor Jas. J. Kenny,
And Resolved:-
"That

"That in future lunatics be admitted to Ballinasloe Asylum on the committal signature of any bounty or District bounciller in bounty Roscommon and claims for conveyance etc, be sent to the District bounceil of the District."

The following letter from bollector B. V. Boyle was submitted:-

Athlone.
18th March, 1920.

Mr. Chairman Gentlemen,

I would respectfully ask you to pay my poundage at the rate of =/8d in the £ for year ended March, 1919.

Owing to the lateness of receiving the Rate Books 14th July, 1919, I found it impossible to have one-third of same lodged by the 31st July. Also I have but three ratings in my bollection District over £100 Valuation. It is a very poor District and the ratings are very small.

I enclose a Doctor's bertificate as to my illness during the bollection. I may also state that all other bollectors who had not lodged the one-third have been paid, and I am sure that the

the bouncil will give me equal treatment.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
(Sgd) B. V. Doyle,
Rate bollector.

The following order was made on above:-"Recommend to be paid."

Proposed by bouncillor M. O'Bpaonain
Seconded by bouncillor S. MacCopmaic
And Resolved:-

"That as we understand the bongested Districts Board is about to divide the lands in their possession immediately, we would ask that Board in order to avoid any dispute between claimants for holdings, to forward to a bommittee of this bouncil the names of the persons to whom they purpose giving land for their approval."

The Secretary read letter from Mrs. Lynchie, Hillstreet, stating that she required the bourthouse at Hillstreet for her own use and the following order was made thereon "Received."

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor James J. Kenny,
Seconded by Councillor Propsy S. O'Nyprosy
And Resolved:-

"That the landlords of Petty Sessions Houses are hereby notified that the use of these buildings is no longer needed and that the County Council will not be responsible for the payment of rent in connection with same for any period subsequent to the 30th September, 1920.

That Courtkeepers be notified that their services be dispensed with, and that they be notified that their appointments terminate on September, 30th 1920, from which date we will not be responsible for their salaries."

Proposed by Councillor J. E. Feely,
Seconded by Councillor Una Yr Sespcsy,
And Resolved:-

"That three members of the County Council viz., Messrs. Duignan, Lawin and McCormack be empowered to settle the dispute with John Leydon re his house on the Rockhill road."

Proposed by Councillor Michael Greene,
Seconded by Councillor Propsy O'Dubgeary
And Resolved:-

"That

"That inasmuch as the Army of Occupation seized upon the shop goods of the Sharkey Sisters of Strokestown to the value of £3,450 and having admitted their liability as they have offered the sum of £250 in compensation, we, the members of the Roscommon bounty bouncil now call upon the British Military Authorities to pay in full value of the goods seized."

The following Notice declaring the bounty Electoral District of Castlerea vacant owing to the resignation of Mrs. M. H. Grogan ~~and we further declare to fill the vacancy at the next Meeting of the bounty bouncil~~ was made:-

Copy.

"That we, the Roscommon bounty bouncil, hereby declare vacant the office of bounty bouncillor for the bounty Electoral District of Castlerea, owing to the resignation of Mrs. M. H. Grogan and we further declare to fill the vacancy at the next Meeting of the bounty bouncil.

Dated

Dated the 18th day of August, 1920.
(Signed) Aizopuc O'Lunzin, Chairman.
Micest Mac se Oppo
Micest Greene.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in:-

Copy

"Take Notice that at the next Meeting of the County Council we will move that the County Council pay the travelling expenses of any member attending Meetings of the County Council or any delegate attending any Meeting appointed by the County Council a radius of five miles (Irish).

(Signed) James J. Kenny,
Michael Ward.

The Chairman handed the Secretary the following Notice to call a Special Meeting of the County Council for the 24th August '20

Copy

"That a Special Meeting of the County Council be called for the 24th August at 4 p.m. to consider the finances and co-opt a member in room of Mr. M. H. Grogan.

A. O'Laimin
Chairman

Minutes of Proceedings of Quarterly Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on the 10th September, 1920.

Councillor A. Lavin, Chairman presided, and the following were present:- Councillors J. Brennan, M. Brennan, Cox, Doyle, Duignan, Geraghty, Greene, Kenny, Neary, Ryan, Ward, Mc Dermack and Oates.

Proposed by Councillor James J. Kenny.
Seconded by Councillor Patrick S. O'Hara.
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 Brogan and Drury furnishing personal security for the current years collection and letters from the Collectors furnishing the names of persons willing to give security.

The

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 Roscommon 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:-

submitted:-
Letter relative to the sheep dipping in the bounty and stating that 2000 sets of forms have been forwarded

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Letter from the Congested Districts 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, Strokestown, and stating that same is receiving attention was submitted.

Letter from General Headquarters, Ireland, acknowledging receipt of communication on the subject of gas at Roscommon Courthouse, 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 from

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'Brien
Seconded by Councillor L. 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'Brien
Seconded by Councillor A. O'Leary.
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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Wcest Brennan and J. J. Colgan."

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.T.G.W.U.
Martin Mc Dermott, Assistant County Surveyor and John Kilmartin Secretary Clerical Workers Union Roscommon County Council Branch.

Letter from Dail Eireann Labour Department relative to employment of persons who have resigned from the R. I. C. The following resolution was passed:-
Proposed by Councillor Seamus O'Ruan,
Seconded by Councillor Edward Doyle.
And Resolved:-

"That we propose that the Council will give assistance to all the R. I. C. 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'Leary,
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Sullivan,
And Resolved:-

"That we offer an expression of our deepest sympathy with the relatives of the Lord Mayor 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 following

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. Nos. 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 ~~read~~ submitted and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor J. J. Kenny.
Seconded by Councillor Cropsey S. O'Nyspoonig
And Resolved:-

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

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Tpaonsin
Seconded by Councillor Mcesl Mac an Oappo
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 bounty Surveyor to be done by Direct Labour."

An application from ex-bollector Brogban 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 bounty Surveyor Mr. Donagh that his salary be increased to £300 per year was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "Left over for bonciliation Board."

In pursuance of Notice of Motion standing in the name of bouncillors James J. Kenny, and Michael Ward the following was moved:-
Proposed by bouncillor James J. Kenny,
Seconded by bouncillor Michael Ward,
"That the bounty bouncil 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 Seamus O'Riain,
Seconded by Councillor Seamus MacCoppe,
"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 Duignan, Greene, Ryan and Oates.

The following voted against:- Councillors J. Brennan, M. Brennan, Cox, Doyle, Kenny, A. Lavin, Neary, Ward, and Mc. Cormack.

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 the

the Castlerea Milling and Develop-
ment 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 Cleary,
Castlerea, 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. Neilan, Solicitor,
Roscommon, relative to accident
to Mr. James Gately, Ballybride,
Roscommon, 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 Corks Industrial Development Association re Foreign Importations was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "Adopted by Council"

Correspondence from Mr. Dignam Under-Sheriff, Roscommon, and Insurance Company re damage to Courthouse at Strokestown and Caretaker'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 Courthouse, Roscommon, on the 10th September, 1920.

Canon Cummins, 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. Healy'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. Walton, Hughes and Taylor.
"Adopted" A. O'L. (Signed) T. H. B.
Proposed by Councillor P. O'Dubgeannain.
Seconded by Councillor S. MacCormaic,
"That we do not interfere in the matter of the University Scholarships further than the ruling made by the University Committee."
Proposed by Councillor Risteard S. O'Faracháin
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'Dubgeannain'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 McComack

The following voted against:- Councillors Cox, Greene, Neary and Ryan.

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

Proposed by Councillor P. O'Dubgeannain, Seconded by Councillor S. MacCormaic,

And Resolved:-

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

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

(Copy)

Take 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'Faoláin.

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 Catholic Total Abstinence Federation of Ireland enclosing copies of resolutions~~

Letter from Mr. John Leydon, of Cartronaglogh, 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 Rockhill road was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "Adopted"
Proposed by Councillor S. Mac Copyrsic,
Seconded by Councillor P. O'Dwbgeayyrun.
And Resolved:-
"That we demand that the Ministry of Transport immediately grant a sufficient sum to complete the construction of the Rockhill road, the non-completion of which is seriously retarding the development of the mineral resources of the Arigna Area".

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Tpsoyrun
Seconded by Councillor Ujcest Mac an Oppo
And Resolved:-
"That

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

Proposed by Councillor Micest Mac an Oappo
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 Eyeryn 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 Aiyspue S. O'Luyn
And Resolved:-
"That no payment be made in respect of preparing Jurors 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 Dail Eireann for Home Affairs on matters of importance to the Council."

(Signed) A. O'Laughy.

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 Boyle 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:-

Athlone	Saturday, 2nd October, 1920	10 o'clock
Castlerea	do 9th " "	do.
Roscommon	Thursday. 14th " "	5 o.c.
Strokestown	Friday. 15th " "	10 o.c
Carrick-on-Shan.	Thursday. 21st " "	do.
Boyle	Wednesday. 27th " "	do

Proposal Committee

Roscommon	Wednesday, 17th Nov. '20	11.30

County Council

Roscommon	Wednesday, 8th Dec. '20	11.30

Chairman
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ROSCOMMON TOWN COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS.

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

Uncollected rates-£150-18-6; amount in Collectors hands-£5-5-0 Grazing rent of Green, £20; and as liabilities:-Due to treasurer-£110-5-10, sundry debts- £78-13-2. In No.2 account, (Artizans' Dwellings) Assets-Due by treasurer-£48-5-2; Arrears of rent-£55-3-6 With Collector £4-14-3. As 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 £2358-2-9, 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 a 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 after a certain date 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 games 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 permisson of this Committee of the County Council.
4. That a portion of the present Fair Green near the Post Office be railed off so as to provide accomodation for the cattle and sheep exposed for sale on days other than Fair days.
5. That this Committee is of opinion that public lavatory accomodation 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.I.McCourt,
Secretary.

Minutes of Proceedings of Meeting of the Roscommon County Council, held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Wednesday, 30th April, 1924.

Mr. M. O' Braonain, Chairman, presided, and the following members were in attendance:- Councillors Colgain, Burke, Kelly, Kenny, Neary, Ryan, Moran, and Ledwith.

Proposed by Councillor Seary O' Colgain, Seconded by Councillor Seary De Burca.

And Resolved:-

"That the Minutes of the Proceedings of Meetings, held on the 26th February, 1924, and 11th March, 1924, be taken as read."

The following correspondence from the Ministry of Local Government was submitted:-
Letter No. G. 6777 re proposed superannuation to Mr. John Cox, ex- Rate Collector. The following Notice of Motion was moved by Mr. O' Colgain:-

(Copy)

"Take Notice that I, or some other County "Councillor on my behalf, will move at the "County Council Meeting to be held on the "30th April, 1924, that Mr. John Cox, ex Rate "Collector be awarded superannuation according "to scale."

(Signed) Seary O' Colgain.

Proposed by Seay O' Colgain,
Seconded by Seay De Burca,
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. Cosc, esc- Rate Collector be paid superannuation according to scale."

Circular stating that liability for payment of pensions of persons removed from Office during the period 1919/1921 rests with Local bodies. The following order was made thereon:- "Refused."

Letter No. S. 11572 re award of a Pension of £350 to Mr. M. J. Ekverin former Secretary of the County Council. The following order was made thereon. "Refused."

Letter No. G. 9720 re rents due to Mr. M. J. Kelly Ballyfaran Sessions House, and asking that same be paid. The following order was made thereon:- "To be paid £9."

Letter re rate for Irish Language.
Letter No. G. 6779 enclosing copies of orders dissolving the Roscommon Town Commissioners, also letter enclosing petition from town residents re contemplated change of fairs in the town of Roscommon.
The Secretary of the Advisory Committee submitted a Report (copy herewith) and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor J. J. Colgain,
And Resolved:-
"That the Report of the Sub-Committee of the County Council in relation to the affairs of the Roscommon Town Commissioners as regards Nos. 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, and 9 be adopted, and that Nos. 3 and 4 be adjourned for the present and No. 7 does not presently apply."

Only one Tender was received for the grazing of the Fair Green, from Mr. Thomas Higgins and same was accepted at £17 per annum.

Two Tenders were received for the letting of the Weighbridge, and Miss Annie McDonnacks tender at £28 being the highest was accepted.

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. S. O' Naradaig,
And Resolved:-
"That the Local Government Department be asked to draft a Scheme embodying the relationship of the County Council Accounts and the late Town Commissioner's Accounts. The services of the Town Clerk- Mr. McDermott - and the Rate Collector - Mr. Rabbit - are being retained (as advised) and the Council wish to know in what way the administration is to be conducted."

Letter No. R/R. 25. sanctioning limits of road

expenditure in the County.

Letter No. G. 10314 re state of the Rate Collection in the County. The Secretary reported that a sum of £49, 200 approximately was outstanding in respect of all rates due to the 31st March, 1924. The following Report of the Rates Committee was submitted:-

(Copy).

Collector O' Hara.

Recommend above be paid at the rate of 8d in the £ for year ended March, 1924. Sanction to be sought from L. G. Department. We also recommend a previous balance withheld £4. Sanction to be sought. M. O' Braonain

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Collector P. Bewrie.

Recommend above Collector be paid at the rate of 8d in the £. for two years Collections as he is most satisfactory.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector E. Doyle.

Recommend poundage for September 1922, and March 1923, be paid at the rate of 8d in the £, as his books were seized, and his collection is satisfactory.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector J. Murray.

Recommend payment at the rate of 8d in the £, for September, 1922, and March 1922, as he closed whole years collection inside four months. Payment for March 1922 at the rate of 6d.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector Hanly.

Recommend payment at the rate of 8d for years ended March, 1923, and March, 1924, as he is a most satisfactory Collector, and although his Books were seized, he had his accounts closed in good time.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector M. P. Rake.

Recommend payment of poundage to above for year September 1922, and March 1923, at the rate of 8d, as he had two moieties lodged inside nine months. Sanction to be sought.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector E. Fleming.

Recommend payment of poundage to above for year September 1922, and March 1923, at the rate of 8d in the £ as he had two moieties lodged inside nine months, and same rate for September 1923, as this Moiety was lodged inside three months. Sanction to be sought.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector C. L. Devanny.

Recommend payment of poundage to above for year ending March 1924, at the rate of 8d in the £. Sanction to be sought.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector Connaughton.

Recommend payment for March 1923, at the rate of 8d in the £, as Collector had lodged inside four months with exception of amounts due on book of Refunds held up, also recommend payment at same rate for September 1923. Sanction to be sought. M. O' Braonain.

Collector William Fleming.
Half-year ended September 1921. Pay Collector Fleming balance of poundage due £10.16.6.
M. O' Braonain.
If Checker certifies Mr. Fleming has closed for half-year ending March 1922, the Collector be paid his poundage at the usual rate of 6d.
M. O' Braonain.
Sanction of the L. G. Department to be sought for above payments. M. O' Braonain.
Mr. Fleming's services to be dispensed with as his Collection is most unsatisfactory
M. O' Braonain.

Collector P. J. Fallon.
Poundage at the rate of 6d to be paid for year ending March 1922. L. G. D. sanction to be sought. M. O' Braonain
Collector Fallon's Collection to be closed, and his new Books in hands before the 28th April. or the Committee will recommend dismissal.
M. O' Braonain.

Collector O' Brien.
To attend Checker Saturday next.

Collector Geraghty.
Recommend payment for September 1922, and March 1923, at rate of 6d. Sanction to be sought.
M. O' Braonain.

Collector M. Murray.
Recommend payment at rate of 8d in the £. for half-years ending, September 1922, and March 1923, as both moieties were lodged inside six months, although his Books were

seized. Sanction to be sought.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector M. Kelly.

Recommend payment for year ending March 1923, at rate of 6d in the £, although a sum of £55 is still outstanding, as it is due on bankrupt property:- J. J. Concannon, Castleplunket. Sanction to be sought.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector P. Egan.

Recommend payment for March, 1923, at the rate of 6d in the £. Sanction to be sought.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector B. V. Doyle.

Recommend payment of poundage fees for half-year ending March, 1922 at the rate of 6d in the £, and for September 1922 and March 1923 at the rate of 8d in the £, he closed full year's collection inside ~~one~~ seven months.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector W. Dolan.

Recommend payment of poundage fees for September 1922, and March 1923. at rate of 8d in the £, as he closed his year's collection inside nine months.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector J. Martin.

Recommend payment of poundage fees for March 1922, at the rate of 6d in the £ for September 1922, and March 1923, at the rate of 8d in the £. as he closed his collection in four months.

M. O' Braonain.

Reps. of Collector Croghan.

Recommend payment for September 1922, and March 1923, at the rate of 6d in the £.

M. Ó Braonain.

Collector P. G. Shanaghes.

Recommend payment for half-year March 1922 at the rate of 6d in the £, and September 1922 and March 1923, at the rate of 8d in the £, as he closed his year's collection inside nine months.

M. Ó Braonain.

Collector P. Egan.

Recommend payment at the rate of 8d in the £ for September 1922, and March 1923, as he closed his collection inside nine months.

M. Ó Braonain.

Collector J. Lyle.

Recommend payment for September 1922, and March 1923, at the rate of 8d in the £, as he closed his year's collections inside 8 months.

M. Ó Braonain.

Collector Cox.

Recommend payment at the rate of 6d in the £, for March 1922, and at the rate of 8d for September 1922, and March 1923, as he closed year's collection inside four months.

M. Ó Braonain.

Collector Drury.

Recommend payment for September 1922, and March 1923, at the rate of 8d in the £, as he lodged full year's collection in six months.

M. Ó Braonain.

Collector J. McDermott.

Recommend payment at the rate of 6d in the £ on amounts collected as certified for March, 1921, September 1921, and March 1922, when Collector Kelly has closed for these periods.

M. O' Braonain.

Collector O. Donlon.

To be paid at the rate of 6d in the £ for September 1923, and March 1924.

M. O' Braonain.

The above Report was adopted by County Council at Meeting on the 30th, April. Mr. W. Fleming recommended for dismissal be given until next Meeting 21st May.

Proposed by Councillor James J. Kenny,
Seconded by Councillor Seary De Burca,
And Resolved:-

"That the position of Collector of Rates for Bloonygormican, Doonaman, and Rosmaylan be advertised and the position will be filled at next Meeting of the County Council."

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Broanain.
Seconded by Councillor J. J. Colgain.
And Resolved:-

"That Mr. McSherry, Solicitor, Roscommon, be employed in the Rate Collection defalcation case against the Insurance Company. In the event of Mr. McSherry not agreeing to act, the Secretary be empowered to select another Solicitor."

Circular No. G. 17451/1924 enclosing copy of the Local Government Collection of Rates Act, 1923. The following resolution was passed thereon:-

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Proposed by Councillor M. O' Brannan,
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran,
And Resolved:-

~~ret~~ "That a notice relating to unpaid rates be drafted, printed, and posted up in every District in the County and also inserted in the local Press in accordance with the terms of the Local Government Collection of Rates Act, 1924."

Proposed by Councillor Seay O' Colgain,
Seconded by Councillor James J. Kenny,
And Resolved:-

"That with the sanction of the Minister of Local Government, a temporary Overdraft be obtained from the National Bank, Roscommon, on the Council's Account, not to exceed for Principal £15,000 to bear Interest at the rate of 4% to be repaid as rates come in."

Letter No. S.G.A./25 re County Roscommon Trunk Road Grant, £28,200. The wages authorised by the Department were approved of at 28/= per week.

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Seamus O' Riain.
And Resolved:-
"That a loan of £5,000 be obtained from the National Bank, Roscommon, for the purchase of Steam-rolling Plant, the Loan to extend to a period of 5 years, the rate of Interest, to be at the rate of 4% per annum."

Letter No. P. 12942 enclosing copy of Letter from Mr. Patrick Mannion, ex-School-Teacher, Castlerea Union, asking for back payment of his pension. The following order was made thereon:- "Payment to be retrospective."

Letter No. G. 11,559 sanctioning Mr. T. J. Kelly as Rate Collector.

Letter No. 13368 enclosing Paying Order for the sum of £9205. 12. 10 Agricultural Grant for half-year ended 31st March, 1924.

Letter No. G. 15368 enclosing copy of letter received from Mr. L. McDermott re claim for rent from July, 1920, to December, 1922.

Letter No. P. 11398 enclosing copy of an Order determining the amount of Pension payable to Mr. James Cosc, ex Clerk of Boyle Union. The following order was made thereon "Approved."

Letter No. G. 11792 enclosing Copies of Orders under Seal extending the time within which

the Council may pay Messrs Neary, Diffley and Kelly. The following order was made thereon:- "Refused." Copy of Assistant Surveyor's letter herewith:-

(Copy)

Assistant Surveyor's Office,
Strokestown.

P. J. Gilloly, Esq.
Secretary Co. Council.

24th April, 1924.

Dear Sir,

The Muckinagh bye-road was set by Contract to Messrs Gardiner & Stewart, in accordance with my Specification. They worked two days cutting bushes, and were then "warned off" by those men who live in Muckinagh, who want this bye-road to be included in our Direct Labour Scheme.

No instructions were given to Messrs Neary, Diffley, and Kelly, or to any others, but the contractors.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) J. McDonagh.

Letter enclosing copy of the Workhouse Land and Buildings (Shortlettings) Order 1924. The following order was made thereon:- "In accordance with Workhouse Land & Buildings Order, the Secretary of the Council transfer the sum received for the letting of Strokestown Workhouse lands to the Account of the County Board of Health."

(Signed) M. O' Braonain.

Letter enclosing copies of the Auditor's Reports on the Accounts of the Roscommon Rural District Council County Board of Health, and County Committee of Agriculture & Technical Instruction for the half-years ended 31st March, 1923.

Letter No. R.S./25 re Increases of Salaries of Assistant County Surveyors.

ge 99. Circular Letter No. M.I. 209 of the 13th March, 1924. We approve of the recommendations in Paragraph 2 of the Minister's Circular re payment of remuneration at the rate of 3% to be paid to the Secretary for the collection of Motor Fees in the County. The Secretary to be responsible for all monies received in connection with the work, and daily lodgments, to be made on and after the 1st prox, 1924. The Fidelity Guarantee Bond to be entered into by the Secretary to cover the collection of these Fees also."

Letter from Messrs Goff & Callery, Solicitors, Elphin, re Courthouse at Frenchpark, was submitted, and the following order was made thereon:- Mr. Nicholson be sent an Agreement for Signature with stipulation of £10 per annum for years rent. When this is done Council will pay for repairs."

Application from Mr. P. J. Fallon for rent of Lecarrow Courthouse was submitted, and the following order was made thereon:- "To offer

him £8 a year payable from the 30th September 1922. If refused by him advertise for alternative accommodation."

Letter from Mr. Timothy O' Connell, Cloonslanor, Strokestown, caretaker of Strokestown Union Buildings, was submitted:-

(Copy)

Cloonslanor,
Strokestown.

Sir,

I beg to apply for amount of money due for caretaking of Workhouse, Strokestown, from the 1st April, 1923, to the 4th December, at £1 per week. About 35 weeks and 3 days at £35. 10, and from the 4th December up to the present at 2/= per week about 11 weeks = £1- 2, Full amount £36. 12. As I have received no money since the County Council took over the premises, I would be obliged for some cash.

Yours obediently
Timothy O' Connell.

The following order was made on above "Above is a liability handed over from District Council. Sanction of L. G. Department be asked for payment."

Report from Caretaker of Castlerea Union Buildings was marked "Read".

Report of Diseases of Animals Acts

Committee (copy herewith) was submitted and marked "Approved."

Proposed by Councillor Seay O' Colgan,
Seconded by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
And Resolved:-
"That the General Council of County Councils be asked to take up with the Government the question of payment of Pensions to officials dismissed by Councils acting on instructions from the then Dail Government Department."

Proposed by Councillor Seay O' Colgain.
Seconded by Councillor James J. Lenny.
And Resolved:-
"That we, the Roscommon County Council hereby draw the attention of all Public Bodies in Ireland to the injustice of making the local rates liable for providing Courts, and offices for the administration of the laws of the state, and paying the cost of apprehending prisoners who are charged with breaking those laws, and we hold that these expenses should rightly be a matter for the State as a whole, and not a matter for local administration. We request this matter to be put on agenda for General Council of County Councils next Meeting in May."

The following order was made:- "That the Treasurer be directed to pay Prosecutors and

Witnesses Expenses on Court Orders out of our General Account in future."

I certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Minutes.

(Signed)

Chairman.

Misplaced see page 96.

Circular Letter No. M.I. 209 of the 13th March. re Imbursement of Expenses of Local Authorities Section 3. (4) (a) of the Roads Act, 1920. The following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor S. O' Rian.

And Resolved:-

"That having this day considered Circular No. M/I. 209 Reimbursement of Expenses of Local Authorities Section 3 (4) (a) of the Roads Act, 1920, of the 13th March, 1924. We approve of the recommendation in Paragraph 2 of the Ministers Circular re payment of remuneration at the rate of 3% to be paid to the Secretary for the Collection of Motor Tax in the County. The Secretary to be responsible for monies received in connection with the work and daily lodgements to be made

on and after the 1st prox., 1924. The Fidelity Guarantee Bond to be entered into by the Secretary to cover the collection of these Taxes also."

M O'Kvaonáin
(Signed) Chairman.
21st May 1924

"to check Daily Lodgements and be responsible for
"the proper carrying out of the work.
"He is to receive 2% of the total fees, and
"a member of the staff - Miss Kelly to
"receive as remuneration 1%. Miss Kelly to
"enter into a Bond of £500, with the
"Hibernian Insurance Co. the County Council
"to pay the premium and same to be
"refunded by the Roads Department, Ministry
"of Local Goverment."
The following order was made thereon "Approved."

Letters Nos. G. 17,271 of the 22nd ultimo. and letters Nos. G. 18575 of the 2nd inst., re claim for £24 from Mr. Charles McDermott, ex-Petty Sessions. Clerk, Ballaghaderreen for rent of Office. The following order was made thereon. "To be paid £24."

Letter approving of Rates Committee Report re deferred poundage to Rate Collectors.

Letter re extension of fix time for payment of Lunacy fees to Dr. Jones.

Letters Nos. G. 17664 of the 12th instant enclosing Collector Connaughton's Refund Lists and stating that items on same should be carried forward and not struck off. The following order was made thereon:- "To be carried forward."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor D. Keaton,
And Resolved:-
"That the Local Government Department be asked to have a Scheme devised for payment of Rent and Rates combined on Labourers Cottages."

Letter No. G. 20279 calling attention to the unsatisfactory state of the Rate Collection and asking the Council to take strong measures against dilatory Collectors.
Proposed by Councillor P. Duignan,
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
And Resolved:-
"That Rate Collectors be urged to speed up Collection of Rates before the middle of June."

The Secretary reported that the Rate Collection was in a deplorable state and the large amount approximately £42,000 was still outstanding and a sum of £12,000 in above total was due by three Collectors, two of whom were only recently appointed and were doing good work, but Collector W. Fleming of Castlrea apparently made no effort whatever and seemed absolutely neglectful in the discharge of his duties. The following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. Duignan,
And Resolved:-
"That Collector W. Fleming be dismissed as Rate Collector and

the position be advertised for."

Letter No. G. 21427 of the 13th May enclosing Return showing amount of Pension awarded ex-Collector Jordan and giving particulars of advances made up to the 1st January, 1924. Order made thereon "Refused".

Letter No. P. 18595 approving of the County Councils proposal to let the land attached to the Strokestown ex-Union Workhouse to Mr. Thomas Walsh.

Letter No. P. 19540 enclosing copy of Declaration from Miss A. Flanagan ex-School Teacher, Castlrea Union re her claim for compensation for loss of Office. The following order was made thereon:- "The Council consider present pension fair and equitable."

Letter No. P. 16762 enclosing copy of an Order determining the amount of compensation to be paid to Mr. Thomas Casey for loss of employment as Ambulance Driver at Castlrea Workhouse.

Letter No. P. 21344 re claim of Mr. Bernard O'Connor against the late Board of Guardians, Boyle, and the following order was made thereon:- "Council to pay when Account is adjusted with Clerk of Boyle Union."

Circular Letter enclosing copy of the Housing (Building Facilities) Act 1924, the Housing (New Houses) Order 1924, and the Housing (Local Assistance)

Order, 1924. The following order was made thereon:-
"Special Meeting on the 10th June, 1924, at 11 o'clock sharp. Copies of the Housing Act to be forwarded to each Member before Meeting."

Circular No. G. 11171 enclosing copy of the District Courts Order, 1924.

Circular No. 21751 re relief of Rates for Agricultural Land.

The following correspondence from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction was submitted:-
Letter No. V. B. 625 & 1025 from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction were submitted. The period for Autumn Dipping was altered from the 15th September to the 3rd October, and the following resolution was passed re Bovine Tuberculosis and other Acts:-
Proposed by Councillor D. Creaton.
Seconded by Councillor Seay O'Calgary.
And Resolved:-
"That "Re" Bovine Circular same to be referred to Sub-Committee appointed some time past to deal with Sheep-Dipping."

Letter from the Irish Land Commission enclosing list of defaulting Land Purchase Annuitants in the County:-

Proposed by Councillor D. Creaton;
Seconded by Councillor P. Dugnan.
And Resolved:-
"That up to date copies of defaulting Land Purchase Annuitants be forwarded by the Secretary to each Member of the Council."

Letter from Mr. C.C. Dugnan, Under-Sheriff, Roscommon, re claim for damage to County Courthouse was submitted and the following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. Dugnan,
And Resolved:-
"That the Sub-Sheriff and Courtkeeper, being in control of Courthouse fittings and furniture, be called upon to furnish particulars of damage in order to enable the County Council to make claim."

Letter from Mr. James Cox, Clerk of the Boyle No. 1. District Council re grazing of the lands attached to the ex-Workhouse, Boyle and the necessity for appointing a caretaker. The Tender of Mr. Martin Leonard at £15 was accepted.
Mr. Peter Nash was appointed Caretaker of the Boyle ex-Union Workhouse at 2/- per week.

Letter from Messrs Roger Greene & Sons, Solicitors Wellington Quay, Dublin. claiming £273. 14. 0 for Miss Marcella Bligh ex-Nurse, Castlerea Union. was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "Solicitor to be notified of matter

receiving attention." Mr. Flanagan, Clerk, Castlrea District Council to furnish particulars of District Council's findings on above at Meeting held on the 14th April, 1923, stating the number of years service allowed, salary for calculation and rate at which same was granted."

Letter from the Northern Banking Co, Ltd. Belfast, enclosing Assignment re Mr. William Strain's claim for Malicious Injury re Grange farm disturbances was submitted. The following order was made thereon:- "Rates to be claimed if unpaid."

Letter from Mr. M. Gunn, Secretary Local Government Officials, (Ireland) Trade Union, stating legal proceedings would be taken against the County Council on behalf of Mr. John Egan, Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "To be paid salary due up to May, 1922."

Letter from Messrs Philip Lavery & Beatty, District Justices, Castlrea, and Carrick-on-Shannon, requesting establishment of pounds were submitted. The following order was made on Mr. Lavery's letter:- "Advertisement issued and no response." The following order was made on Mr. Beatty's Letter:- "No response to advertisement."

Letter from Mr. Pat Kilby, Creggs re out of date Paying Orders.

Letter from Mr. Martin Higgins, the Warren, Boyle.

asking for re-authorisation of two Paying Orders "out of date" was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "To be re-authorised."

The following letter from Mr. John Gilleran, Clerk Roscommon District Council, notifying the County Council that Mr. James Oates resigned his membership of the District Council was submitted:-

(Copy)

District Council Office.
Roscommon,
14th April, 1924.

P.J. Gilloolly, Esq.
Secretary Roscommon Co. Council.

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that Mr James Oates tendered his resignation as a member of the Roscommon Rural District Council at their Meeting on Thursday last, and the Council accepted same.

Yours faithfully,
(Sgd.) John Gilleran,
Clerk of Council.

The above was marked "Read".

The Quarterly Report of the Public Analyst was submitted.

The County Surveyor read his Report for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1924. (copy herewith).
The paragraph dealing with the appointment

of an overseer having been explained by the County Surveyor the following order was made thereon:- "To be attended to later."

The Application of the County Surveyor for a loan of £400 to purchase a Motor Car was marked "Approved".

Proposed by Councillor Seay O' Cobzaig.
Seconded by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
And Resolved:-
"That a Temporary Clerk for Road Grant to be appointed at Salary of £3 per week. Advertisement to be issued. Qualifications. Person so appointed to have knowledge of bookeeping Filing and General Office Routine, keeping of Road Accounts or Engineering preferred."

Proposed by Councillor Domnall O' Ruairc.
Seconded by Councillor Seamus O' Riain.
And Resolved:-
"That in connection with the appointment of temporary clerk to County Surveyor, the County Surveyor be authorised to frame examination papers in the different necessary subjects, including practical work, award marks for the different subjects and give the position to the candidate who obtains the highest marks. That both papers and marks awarded be available for scrutiny by the County Council or a Committee deputed by them."

With reference to the County Surveyor's duties in the

County Home, Roscommon, the following motion was moved:-

Proposed by Councillor Seay O' Cobgan,
Seconded by Councillor Seay O' Braonain,

"That considering the large amount of road work under the supervision of the County Surveyor, we consider that the terms of his appointment as contained in the advertisement issued for same, be altered, so as to exclude the County Home work, and we ask the Local Government Department to agree to this alteration."

The following Amendment was moved:-
Proposed by Councillor John Cox,
Seconded by Councillor William Judge,

"That we stand by the terms of the advertisement for County Surveyor."

A Poll was then taken and the Motion was carried by 18 votes to 4.

The following voted for the Motion:- Councillors O'Rorke, J. Brennan, M. Brennan, Colgan, Creaton, Dungnan, Burke, Kelly, Kenny, L. Lavin, Ryan, Ward, Doogue, Moran, McHugh, O'Neill, Hughes, and McDermott.

The following voted against:- Councillors Cox, Gavin, Greene, and Judge.

The Motion was then put to the meeting as a resolution and carried:-

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Proposed by Councillor Seay O' Cobgan,
Seconded by Councillor Seay O' Braonan;
And Resolved:-

"That considering

the large amount of Road Work under the supervision of the County Surveyor we consider that the terms of his appointment as contained in the advertisement issued for same be altered so as to exclude the County Home work and we ask the Local Government Department to agree to this alteration."

The Proposals for Works from District Councils and Forms 20 from the Proposal Committee were submitted, and the following resolutions were passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor Sean O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Doogue,
And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals for New Works and maintenance works formulated by the several Rural District Councils and the Proposal Committee and set out on Forms 20, be and are hereby approved, except the following numbers:- Roscommon R. D. 39ya, Carrick-on-Shannon 66 which were "Rejected." And we authorise our Secretary to Seal this Resolution."

Proposed by Councillor Sean O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. Doogue,
And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals for New Works and Maintenance Works formulated by the several Rural District Councils and Proposal Committee 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:-

Roscommon R. D. 356. 360. 383a. 392a, 395a, 401a.
Athlone No. 2. R. D. 91.
Castlerea R. D. 274. and 326
Proposal Committee Nos. 1 and 2.
And we, authorise our Secretary to Seal this Resolution

Proposed by Councillor Sean O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. Doogue.
And Resolved:-
"That the Proposals for Payments as set out on Forms 22 for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1924, 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."

Applications for the position of Rate Collector for the Electoral Divisions of Cloonygormican, Donamon, and Rosmoylan in Roscommon Rural District were received from the following:- Miss Delia Brogan, Messrs Luke Fansey, and Peter Connaughton.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Greene,
Seconded by Councillor John Cox,
"That Peter Connaughton be appointed Rate Collector in room of late Collector Brogan."

Proposed by Councillor Peter McHugh,
Seconded by Councillor Seasy O' Braonain.
"That Luke Fansey be appointed."

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly,
"That Miss Brogan
be appointed."

A Poll was then taken and the voting was as follows:- For Miss Brogan:- Councillors O'Rorke, M. O' Braonain, Colgain, Gavin, Burke, Kelly, Kenny, Ward, O' Neill, Hughes, and McDermott. For Mr. Tansey:- Councillors S. O' Braonain, Creaton, Duignan, L. Lavin, Doogue, Moran, McHugh, and Judge. For Mr. Connaughton:- Councillors Cosc, Greene, Neary and Ryan.

Mr. Connaughton having the lowest number of Votes dropped out, and a second Poll was taken between Miss Brogan and Mr. Tansey. The voting was as follows:- For Miss Brogan:- Councillors O'Rorke, M. O' Braonain, Colgain, Cosc, Gavin, Burke, Kelly, Kenny, Ward, O' Neill, Hughes, Neary, and McDermott.

For Mr. Tansey:- Councillors S. O' Braonain, Creaton, Duignan, L. Lavin, Ryan, Doogue, Moran, McHugh, and Judge. Mr. Greene did not vote.

Miss Brogan was then declared elected by 13 votes to 9

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
And Resolved:-
"That Miss Brogan
be appointed."

A letter was read from Mr. F. G. McSherry,

Solicitor, Roscommon, claiming the sum of £100 for extra printing on behalf of the Messenger Printing Works, Roscommon. The following order was made thereon:- "To be defended. Refer to Solicitor."

Letter from the Athlone Printing Works, claiming the sum of £19. 7s. for extra advertising was submitted, and the following order was made thereon:- "Already refused."

Letters from Messrs T. Caulfield, Clerk Castlerea Old Age Pension Sub-Committee, and J. J. Loftus. clerk Roscommon Old Age Pension Sub-Committee asking the Council to appoint additional Members on their Committees in the respective Districts were submitted and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor Sean O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor James J. Kenny.

And Resolved:-

"That Councillor J. Burke, Mr. E. P. Keogh, M. Pettit, (Lanesboro) be added to the Old Age Pension, Sub-Committee, Roscommon and for Ballaghaderreen - Felix Patridge. John Gordon, and Thomas Doyle.
For Castlerea John J. Regan, Patrick F Boland, and William Caulfield.

Letter from Mr. J. Jones, tenant of Nurses Residence, ex-Castlerea Union, asking for a reduction in the rent charged for above building which was £54 per annum, also stating that repairs were urgently needed to the Premises.

The following order was made thereon:- "Repairs being attended to."

Letter from Messrs Goff & Gallery, Solicitors, Elphin, re rent and tenancy of Frenchpark Courthouse was submitted and stating that the owner is not prepared to let the building at a sum of less than £20 yearly. The following order was made thereon:- "County Surveyor to remove fittings, furniture, &c. erected at Frenchpark for Courthouse."

Application for deferred poundage for certain half-years and for the year ended 31st March, 1924, was read from Collector James Connor, and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

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Proposed by Councillor Thomas Lavin,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O' Braonain,
And Resolved:-

"That the Minister for Local Government be asked to sanction payment of poundage to Collector James Connor at the rate of 6d in the £ for the year ended 31st March, 1924, and 2d in the £ deferred poundage for the half-years ended 31st March, 1921, and 31st March 1922.

In doing so we would like to point out to the Minister that this Collector lodged the full amount of his Warrant for the year ended 31st March, 1924. in five months, and prior to that period (excepting the two half-years mentioned) he has always complied with the special regulations laid down by the L. G. Board, and been paid at the rate of 6d in the £.

Letter from Mr. Joseph Doorly, Rockfield, Roscommon, asking the Council to rescind the resolution reducing Road Gangers wages to £2 was submitted and the following order was made thereon: "Cannot have any discussion on above matter without notice of motion after six months have elapsed since rate of payment was fixed."

The following Notice of Motion was handed in:-

(Copy)

Take Notice that I, or some other Member on my behalf will move at the next Meeting of the County Council to be held on the 10th June, 1924, that the resolution passed on the 26th Feb. 1924, re gangers pay be rescinded.

(Signed) Sean O' Colgain.
Sean De Burca.
James J. Kenny.
Domnall O' Ruairc.
Edward Moran.
Peter McAdugh.

Applications from Messrs Leech and Dickie, Assistant Surveyors, asking the County Council to allow them the mileage at the rate of 8d per mile, as they have supplied their own Motor Cars was submitted and marked. "Approved."

The Manager of the National Bank, Roscommon (Council's Treasurer) wrote, asking the County Council to amend resolution re Grant of £5,000 and Overdraft of £15000 so as to read ½%

under Irish Bank Rate varying minimum 4%.
The following order was made thereon:- "That the Councils resolutions, dealing with Loan for road machinery and Overdraft be altered in accordance with the terms of the Treasurer - the National Bank. Sanction of Local Government Department to be sought for, same as matter is urgent."

Letter from Mr. Early, Clerk of the Peace, Roscommon, notifying the Council that Collector P. McGrann neglected to attend the revision of Voters and Jurors Lists for the present year. The following order was made thereon:- "Mr. McGrann be asked for an explanation."

Letter enclosing copy of resolution passed by the Committee of Management of Ballinasloe Mental Hospital requesting the sanction of the County Council to the borrowing of £3,000 for repairs &c. of the "Pines", Ballinasloe, was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "Approved of proportionate share."

The application of Mr. Thomas Loney, Courtkeeper, for supply of coal for the Courthouse was marked "Read."

The Secretary of the Richmond Hospital, North Brunswick St. Dublin, wrote stating that a patient was transferred from Fairmount Sanatorium to the Hospital for some slight operation, and asking would the County Council be liable to payment.
The following order was made thereon:- Council

to pay."

Proposed by Councillor Domnall O' Ruairc.
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca.
And Resolved:-

"That the poundage due to the late Collector J. McDermott be paid to his representatives."

Proposed by Councillor S. O' Ruairc.
Seconded by Councillor Micéal Mac AnDaid.
And Resolved:-

"That we, the Roscommon County Council demand the release of President DeValera and all other Republican prisoners in Jails in Ireland and Britain, whether sentenced or not sentenced."

The Council made no order on the correspondence received from ex-Collector Jordan.

The Council directed that monies seized from Collectors, and for which refunds were allowed be a County-at-Large charge.

Mr. James J. Kenny tendered his resignation as a Member of the County Council, and same was marked. "Accepted."

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

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Roscommon. Monday, 10th July, 1924. 1o'clock, p.m.

Boyle.	Saturday, 12th July, 1924.	1 oclock. p. m.
Carrick.	Thursday, 17th. " "	do do do
Castlerea	Saturday, 19th " "	do do do
Athlone	do 26th " "	do do. do.

Proposal Committee

Roscommon. Wednesday, 30th July, 1924. 11. 30 oclock a.m.

County Council.

Roscommon. Monday, 18th August, 1924. 11. 30 oclock. a.m.

I certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Minutes.

Signed, Mó Bradáin
Chairman.
30 July '24

Minutes of Proceedings of a Special Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on the 10th. June, 1924.

Councillor M. O' Braonain, Chairman, presided, and the following were in attendance:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, Colgain, Duignan, Gavin, Burke, Greene, A. Lavin, T. Lavin, Neary, Ryan, Ward, Moran, McHugh, Judge, O'Neill, and Ledwith.

The following correspondence from the Ministry of Local Government was submitted:-
Circular No. H. 501/2934/ of the 23rd May, 1924, enclosing copies of the Housing (Building Facilities) Act, 1924, and other Acts relating thereto. The following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Thomas Lavin,
And Resolved:-

"That a Scheme under the Housing Act be prepared and a Committee of the Council be appointed to draft such Scheme.
The Committee to consist of the following:- Mr. P. J. Neary, Sean O'Colgain, John Brennan, Wm. O'Neill, and M. O' Braonain. A Meeting of the Committee for the purpose of drafting the Scheme be held on Friday, 13th, at 10 o'clock sharp. Special Meeting of Council to consider Scheme on Saturday, 28th June, 1924."

The Secretary explained the Provisions of Local Government (Rates on Agricultural Land) Bill, 1924, and the following resolution was passed

thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O' Colgain,
And Resolved:-

"That the Committee appointed on the Housing Bill to report on the Rates on Agricultural Land Bill."

Letter No. G. 23674 re witholding sanction to Collector William Fleming's dismissal.

Letter No. G. 23734 sanctioning Miss Brogan's appointment as Rate Collector.

The following Notice of Motion was moved by Councillor O' Colgain:-

Copy.

"Take Notice that I, or some other Member on my "behalf, will move at the next Meeting of the County "Council to be held on the 10th June, 1924, that the "resolution passed on the 26th February, 1924, re "gangers' pay be rescinded."

(Signed) Sean O' Colgain,
Sean De Burca,
James J. Kenny,
Domnall O' Ruairc,
Edward Moran
Peter McHugh.

The following Motion was moved:-

Proposed by Councillor Sean O' Colgain,
Seconded by Councillor Peter McHugh,

"That the resolution passed on the 26th February, 1924 re gangers' pay be

rescinded."

The following Amendment was moved:-
Proposed by Councillor P. Gavin,
Seconded by Councillor P. Dunphan.
"That the resolution of the 26th February re Gangers' wages be not rescinded."

On a Poll being taken Mr. O'Colgain's Motion was Lost by 13 Votes to 4.

The following voted for the Motion:- Councillors Colgain, Burke, Moran, and McHugh.

The following voted for the Amendment:- Councillors O'Rorke, M. O'Braonain, Dunphan, Gavin, Greene, A. Lavin, T. Lavin, Neary, Ryan, Ward, Judge, O'Neill, and Ledwith.

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

Proposed by Councillor P. Gavin,
Seconded by Councillor P. Dunphan,
And Resolved:-
"That the resolution re Gangers' Wages be not rescinded."

Proposed by Councillor Seamus O'Riain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca,
And Resolved:-
"That the recommendations of the Roads Committee regarding variable wages for Gangers where exceptional merit is shown &c., as submitted to Meeting on the 26th February, 1924, be inforced."

The following Notice of Motion was moved by the Chairman:-

Copy.

"Take Notice that I, or some other Member on my "behalf, will move at Special Meeting of the County "Council to be held on 10th June, that as the Local "Government Department has not sanctioned the terms "of the Council's resolution of the 8th February, 1922, and "subsequent advertisement which stipulated an inclusive "salary of £500 for the Secretaryship without emoluments "(i.e. Voters and Jurors' Fees &c.) same to be now amended "to allow of the statutory or other fees pertaining to the "Secretaryship and the already sanctioned salary of "£266 per annum. The terms of this amending "resolution to be retrospective.

(Signed) M. O' Braonain.

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O' Colgain,
And Resolved:-

"That, as the Local Government Department has not sanctioned the terms of the Council's resolution of the 8th February, 1922, and subsequent advertisement which stipulated an inclusive salary of £500 for the Secretaryship without emoluments (i.e Voters and Jurors fees &c.) same be now amended to allow of the statutory or other fees pertaining to the Secretaryship and the already sanctioned salary of £266 per annum. The terms of this resolution to be retrospective."

The above Resolution was passed unanimously.

The following declaration relative to the vacancy on the County Council caused by the resignation

of Mr. J. J. Kenny was submitted and the following letter relating to the co-option of a successor was read:-

Copy of Declaration.

"We hereby declare that a vacancy for a County "Councillor exists in the Rural District of Roscommon, "and same will be filled at the Special Meeting of "the County Council to be held on the 10th June, 1924.

(Signed) M. O' Braonain,
Sean O' Braonain,
Edward Moran.

3rd June, 1924.

Copy of Letter.

Roscommon
10th June, 1924.

The Chairman,
Roscommon County Council.

Sir,

At the Monthly Meeting of the South Roscommon Sinn Fein Executive held in the Harrison Hall on Sunday, 8th instant, James Donnelly, Esq. Lisduff, Athleague, was selected to fill the vacancy of the Roscommon County Council, and County Board of Health, and the Executive request the Republican Members of the Council, and the Members who know the splendid record of James Donnelly, as a Gael. to support his co-option on the Council at their Meeting on the 10th June, 1924.

(Signed) Micéal Ó Docartuaig.
10/6/24. Sec. South Roscommon Comhairle

Proposed by Councillor M. Ó Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. McHugh.

"That Mr. C. Mee, Carntemple, Four-Roads, be co-opted in room of James J. Kenny resigned."

Proposed by Councillor Ledwith,
Seconded by Councillor Gavin,

"That Bernard Naughten be co-opted in room of James J. Kenny resigned."

Proposed by Councillor Seán De Burca.
Seconded by Councillor Seán Ó Colgain,

"That James Donnelly of Lisduff be co-opted a member in Mr. J. J. Kenny's place."

The following voted for Mr. C. Mee:- Councillors J. Brennan, M. Brennan, Dunnan, A. Lavin, T. Lavin, and Moran.

The following voted for Mr. Donnelly:- Councillors Colgain, Burke, Greene, Neary, Ryan, Ward.

The following voted for Mr. Naughten:- Councillors Gavin, Ó Neill, and Ledwith.

Mr. Naughten having the lowest number of votes, then dropped out, and a second Poll was taken between Mr. Mee, and Mr. Donnelly.

The following voted for Mr. Mee:- Councillors S. Ó Braonain, M. Ó Braonain, Dunnan, Gavin, A. Lavin, T. Lavin, McHugh, Judge, and Ledwith.

The following voted for Mr. Donnelly:- Councillors Colgain, Burke, Greene, Neary, Ryan, Ward and

O'Neill.

Mr. Moran did not vote.

Mr. Mee was then declared elected by 9 votes to 7.

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. McHugh.
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. L. Mee Cantemple, Four Roads, be co-opted in room of James J. Kenny resigned."

Proposed by Councillor John Burke.
Seconded by Councillor Michael Greene.
And Resolved:-
"That the Ministry of Local Government be asked to sanction payment of poundage at the rate of 8d in the £ to Collector M. Murray on his Warrant for the half-year ended 30th September, 1923, as he lodged the full amount of same within two months from the date on which he received his Warrant."

(Signed)
Chairman.

Minutes of Proceedings of a Special Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Saturday, 28th June, 1924.

Councillor M. O' Braonain, Chairman, presided and the following were in attendance:- Councillors O' Rorke, Colgain, Burke, Ryan, Moran, McHugh and Owens.

Mr. John Owens signed the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office as County Councillor.

The following correspondence from the Ministry of Local Government was submitted:-

Letter No. R.S./25 of the 4th June stating that Circular Letter of the 14th January last re granting Loans to County Surveyors to purchase Motor Cars was withdrawn. The following order was made thereon:- "The Local Government Department to be asked in case of Co. Surveyor to allow of advance for Motor Car as he had no other means of acquiring a car. The Council acted on information given by the County Surveyor that the loan would be sanctioned."

Letter No. G. 24899 sanctioning payment of poundage fees to Collector J. Connor for the year ended 31st March, 1924.

Letter No. G. 52769 re Accountants claim for revision of remuneration. The following order was made thereon:- "Approved" and the following resolution was passed:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O'Colgain,
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. O'Keeffe be awarded the amount suggested by the Local Government Department namely £250 per annum."
Letter No. L. 23699 re Loan of £5000 for the purchase of road Machinery, also stating that the purchase of Plant must be made from the selected list issued by the Trade Section of the Department.

Proposed by Councillor Seamus O'Ruan,
Seconded by Councillor Seane De Burca,
And Resolved:-
"That the Local Government Department be informed that the Roscommon County Council intend to place the Orders for Sleeping Vans with the Local Makers- Messrs Connolly Bros, Castlerea - who have already given entire satisfaction in this line, and we demand that this Firm be placed on the approved list of makers issued by the Department."

Proposed by Councillor Seamus O'Ruan,
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
And Resolved:-
"That the Secretary be instructed to write to the Local Government Trade Department asking reasons why the Goodwin Barsby Crusher is not on the Trade List, as this particular type of Crusher has given more satisfaction in this County than any other Crusher."

Letter No. G. 25.627 relative to the unsatisfactory state of the Rate Collection and warning dilatory Collectors that if they do not proceed more energetically with their Collections drastic action may be anticipated. "The following order was made thereon:- "All Rate Collectors having outstanding balances on the 30th July be reported to Local Government Department for dismissal."

Letter No. H. 24, 139 enclosing copy of a Regulation made by a Rural District Council whereby rents and rates on Labourers Cottages are collected by Rent Collectors. The following order was made thereon:- "Approved."

The Committee of the County Council appointed to draft a Scheme under Section 6 of the Housing (Building Facilities) Act, 1924, submitted the following which was approved of by the County Council:-

(Copy)

Coyde Conndae Rocomain.
Scheme Re Housing Act.

The Council give for each House erected the following Grants and Loans:-

No. Sewers or Water- Mains.

Rooms.	Government Grant.	Local Grant.	Loan.
3.	£50	£12. 10.	£62. 10.
4	70	17. 10	87. 10
5	90	22. 10	112. 10

Sewers and Water Mains.

Rooms.	Government Grant.	Local Grant.	Loan.
3.	£60	£15.	£75
4	80	20	100
5	100	25	125.

The terms of the Loans are as follows:-
Mortgage on house for a period of 15 years, Loan to be repaid Half-yearly bearing Interest at the Bank Rate prevailing at the time plus ½% to cover emergencies.

If the Recipient of the Loan so desires, he may on having his liability adjusted, pay back the whole sum together at any period.

The Council by way of Loan from the Treasurer provide a sum not exceeding £7,500 for the purpose of the Act, this sum to be distributed as equitable over the different Districts of the County as possible, having regard to the special needs and circumstances prevailing in each District.

In order to ensure that an equitable division of the Grants and Loans may be made in each District in the County and the most deserving applicants selected, the Council or Committee of the Council for the purpose will consider all applications for local assistance and only those selected by the Council will be awarded local assistance.

(Signed) M. O' Braonain,
Sean O' Colgain,
William O' Neill
P. S. O' Naradaig.

The Secretary submitted the Local Government (Rates on Agricultural Land) Bill, 1924, and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

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Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor S. O' Colgain,
And Resolved:-
"That the Council does not approve of the Agricultural Rates Emergency Bill."

Letter No. V. 14445 from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland approving of the County Roscommon Sheep Dipping Scheme for the current year was submitted and the following resolutions were passed thereon:-

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Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran,
And Resolved:-
"That an allavance of 10/- per Dipping Centre be allaved each Sub-Inspector for expenses incurred in sinking Tubs Etc, during the Dipping season."

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor D. O' Rorke,
And Resolved:-
"That the Council authorise Messrs Doran & Hans to provide one Swim Bath for each Sub-Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts."

Letter from Messrs MacDonagh & Boland, Insurance Brokers, Dame Street, Dublin, asking the County Council to increase the premium on Employer's Policy No. 302006 from 12/6% to 20% was submitted and marked "Approved."

Letter from Superintendent Glynn, Civic Guards. Roscommon, asking the County Council to institute proceedings against defaulters under the Motor Registration (Ireland) Act, was submitted and marked "Read."

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O' Colgain,
And Resolved:-
"That Messrs Sean De Burca and C. Mee, be appointed in room of Messrs Oates and Kenny on the Sub-Committee appointed to deal with prosecutions under the Motor Case Orders.

Proposed by Councillor Edward Moran,
Seconded by Councillor S. O' Rian.
And Resolved:-
"That we hereby direct our Secretary to forward Revision Lists to the Valuation Office."

I certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Minutes.

Chairman.

Minutes of Proceedings of Meeting of the Roscommon County Council, held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Wednesday, 30th July, 1924.

Mr. M. O' Braonain, Chairman, presided and the following were in attendance:- Councillors Colgain, Dingnan, Burke, Ryan, Moran, Gunn. and Mee.

Messrs Gunn and Mee made the Statutory Declarations of Acceptance of Office of County Councillor.

Proposed by Councillor S. O' Ruann.
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.
And Resolved:-
"That the Minutes of Meetings held on the 21st May and 28th June be taken as read."

The following correspondence from the Ministry of Local Government was submitted:-
(a) Letter No. G. 28813/1924 stating that the recommendations of the Roscommon Advisory Committee are subject to ratification by the County Council.
(b) Circular Letter No. G. 21396 stating that the provisions of Sec. 1 of the Local Government (Collection of Rates) Act, 1924, is now applied to the County Roscommon. The following order was made thereon "Approved."
(c) Letter No. P. 23022 enclosing Adjustment Order in regard to the assets and liabilities of the late Board of Guardians, in Ballinasloe Union. The

following order was made thereon:- "Information to be sought."

(d) Letter No. P. 24489 asking the Council to execute new Agreements in connection with the Workhouse Buildings in County Roscommon. The following Notice of Motion was moved:-

(Copy)

"Take Notice that I, or some other County Councillor "on my behalf, will move at the next Meeting of "the County Council that a reasonable rent be "fixed on the Nurses' Residence attached to Castlrea "ex-Workhouse Buildings."

(Signed) Edward Moran.

Proposed by Councillor Sean De Burca,
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran,
And Resolved:-

"That the rent of the Nurses' Residence, Castlrea Union Buildings be £30 per annum to be retrospective to date at which the County Council became the custodians."

Mr. Leech, Assistant Surveyor, reported that the repairs required to be done to the ex-Union Buildings were being attended to.

The Secretary reported that he made several applications to Mr. Fetherstone, one of the tenants in the ex-Workhouse, Castlrea for rent, and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

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Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor M. O' Quinn,
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. Fetherstone, Castlrea Esc- Workhouse be asked to pay arrears before new Agreement is made out and Solicitor instructed if he refuses payment."

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor K. Moran,
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. Dickie, Council's Surveyor, be asked to visit the esc- Workhouse, Castlrea, and report to what esctent it could be used as livings, setting apart what, in his opinion, would be suitable for each living, giving Plans. (roughly)."

The Caretaker of Castlrea esc- Union Buildings reported that several families were now in occupation of portion of the disused Buildings. The matter was adjourned to nesct Meeting.

(e) Letter No. 30475 enclosing copy of letter addressed to Collector William Fleming, Castlrea.
(f) Letter No. M. 28654 enclosing copy of an Order dissolving the Roscommon County Board of Health and appointing Padraig O' Siochfhradha to discharge the duties. The following order was made thereon:- "Adjourned to Quarterly Meeting."
(g) Letter from Trade Department re Order for Sheep Dipping Tubs.
(h) Letter No. G. 31981 sanctioning increase of salary

to Accountant.

(i) Letter No. 30149 enclosing Auditor's Reports on the Accounts of the Roscommon County Council for several half-years to the 30th September, 1922. The Auditor's Reports for above period were submitted. The suggestion contained in the Report for the half-year ended 30th September, 1921, re caretaking Ballintubber Quarry was approved of and the following order was made thereon:- "Services of caretaker to be dispensed with."

(j) Letter No. R.S/25 re loan to County Surveyor for the purchase of a motor car.

(k) Letter No. G. 28109 to the Chairman of the County Council sanctioning the appointment of Secretary to the Council. The following order was made thereon:- "Adjourned to Quarterly Meeting."

(l) Letter No. H. 569/13918 approving of the Housing Scheme submitted by the County Council. The following order was made thereon:- 3 insertions of Scheme in each County newspaper with instructions."

Copy Scheme.

"The Council gave for each House erected the following "Grants and Loans.

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The terms of the Loans to be as follows:-
Mortgage on House for a period of 15 years. Loan to be repaid half-yearly bearing Interest at the Bank Rate prevailing at time of issue plus ½ per cent to cover emergencies.
If the Recipient of the Loan so desires, he may on having his liability adjusted, pay back the whole sum together at any period.
The Council by way of Loan from Treasurer provide a sum not exceeding £7,500 for the purposes of the Act. this sum to be distributed as equitably over the different Districts of the County as possible having regard to the special needs and circumstances prevailing in each District.

(Signed) M. O'Braonain, Sean O'Colgain, William O'Neill and P. S. O'Naradaig.

Letter from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction for Ireland approving of the Sheep-Dipping Inspectors and giving suggestions re the procuring of Swim-Baths etc., from the Trade Department. Local Government Ministry was approved of.

Letter from the Irish Land Commission enclosing amended list of Defaulting Land Purchase

Annuitants in the County was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "Up to date list be asked for in case of Defaulting Annuitants for nesch Meeting."

The Secretary suggested that a small Committee be appointed to report to the Council on important communications received from the Secretary of the Irish County Councils General Council re Health, Roads, and general recommendations for Local Government Reforms, and the Local Government Bill, 1924. This Committee to also sign Rate Books and Collectors' Warrants. The following order was made thereon:- "Sub-Committee for signing Rate Books &c. report on Local Government Bill for Council etc., be Messrs Sean De Burca, M. O' Gunn, and M. O' Braonain. To meet Saturday 2nd August, at 5 o'clock, (new time).

A Letter from the Secretary of the National Health Insurance Commission, Dublin, asking the County Council to appoint six Members on the County Roscommon Insurance Society was submitted.

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

"That Messrs P. Duignan, E. Moran, Wm. O' Neill, S. De Burca, S. O' Braonain, and S. O' Colgain, be appointed on the Insurance Committee."

The Secretary reported that a vacancy existed

on the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Committee, owing to Mr. J. J. Kenny's resignation from the County Council and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

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Proposed by Councillor S. O' Ruan,
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.
And Resolved:-
"That M. O' Braonain represent the Council on the Ballinasloe Asylum Committee."

Letter from Mr. P. A. Flanagan, Clerk Rural District Council, Castlrea, re superannuation to Miss M. Bligh, late Fever Nurse in Castlrea Workhouse was submitted.

Proposed by Councillor E. Moran,
Seconded by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
And Resolved:-
"That Miss Bligh's Pension be fixed at £36.2.10 a year amount calculated by Mr. Flanagan, Clerk Castlrea Rural District Council.

Letter from Mr. D. J. Hannon, Solicitor, Athlone, enclosing Bill of Costs and Requisition for Taxation. The following order was made thereon:- "Appoint Mr. McSherry, Solicitor, Roscommon.

Letter was submitted from the Secretary of the Galway Co. Council stating that a sum of

£1,000 would be required to rebuild the damaged Bridge at Mount Talbot, the cost to be borne equally by both Counties. The following order was made thereon:- "Approved."

The Tender of Messrs Hession Bros. Contractors, Roscommon, being the only Tender received re above work was accepted. Amount of Tender £900.

The Secretary stated that a temporary Overdraft would be required to meet the Councils liabilities at the Quarterly Meeting on the 18th August. The following resolution was passed thereon:-

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Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca.
And Resolved:-
"That with the sanction of the Ministry of Local Government a temporary Overdraft to the 30th September next be obtained from the National Bank, Roscommon, on the Councils Account not to exceed for Principal £15,000, to bear Interest at a rate not in excess of ½ under Irish Bank Rate from time to time with a minimum of 4%.

Mr. Seamus O' Rian tendered his resignation as a Member of the County Council and the following Declaration re filling the vacancy was handed in:-

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"We hereby declare a vacancy exists on the

County Council by the resignation of Seamus O'Riain.

(Signed) M. O' Braonain,
C. Mac,
P. O Dubgeannain.

All other business was adjourned to the Quarterly Meeting to be held on the 18th August.

I certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Minutes.

(Signed) P. S. Ó hUiginn
Chairman.

Minutes of Proceedings of Quarterly Meeting of the Roscommon Co. Council, held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Monday, the 18th August, 1924.

Councillor M. O'Braonain, Chairman, presided and the following Members were in attendance:- Messrs S. O'Braonain, Colgan, Burke, Gunn, Neary, Moran, O'Neill, C. Mee, Ledwith, and Owens.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.

The following correspondence from the Ministry for Local Government was submitted:-

Letter No. 28654 enclosing copy of an Order dissolving the Roscommon Co. Board of Health and appointing Padraig O'Siochfhradha to discharge the duties.

The following resolution was passed thereon, the Chairman - Mr. O'Braonain, dissenting:-

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Proposed by Councillor P. J. Neary.
Seconded by Councillor Wm. O'Neill,
And Resolved:-

"That we protest against the action of the Ministry for Local Government in abolishing the Roscommon Board of Health in view of the evidence submitted at the Inquiry. Their action in dismissing the Board of Health and not at the same time dismissing the several Bodies which are represented is not, if their verdict is just, consistent with justice, since the men accused, but not convicted, still retain their seats on the several Bodies who originally appointed them. In view of

of their failure to prove allegations, their inconsistency in allowing suspected Members to retain their seats, and their high-handed action in dismissing the Board we protest in the strongest possible manner and demand a reconsideration of their Verdict."

Letters Nos. G. 28109 and S. 28109 to the Chairman of the County Council sanctioning the appointment of Secretary to the Co. Council.

Letter stating the Co. Council are not liable for the Pensions of Messrs M. J. Heverin, former Secretary to the County Council and Mr. J. L. Jordan, former Rate Collector in the County.

Letter No. G. 37003 stating that the Council's request for an Overdraft of £15,000 was acceded to.

The Quarterly Report of the Public Analyst was submitted, and the following order was made thereon:- "Approved."

An Application from the Public Analyst for an increase of salary was submitted:-
The following Motion was proposed:-
Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Colgain,
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Neary,
"That Miss Ryan's (Analyst's) salary be increased by £15 to £45."
The following Amendment was moved:-
Proposed by Councillor Owens,
Seconded by Councillor Ledwith,
"That Miss Ryan's

salary be not increased."
A Poll was then taken and Mr. O'Colgain's Motion for increase of salary was carried by 6 Votes to 4.

The following voted for the Motion:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, M. O'Braonain, Colgan, Burke, Neary, and Moran.
The following voted against:- Councillors Gunn, O'Neill, Ledwith, and Owens.
Proposed by Councillor Sean O Colgain,
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Neary,
And Resolved:-
"That Miss Ryan's (Analyst's) salary be increased by £15 to £45."

The Secretary submitted the Quarterly Report of the Co. Surveyor (Copy herewith).

Proposed by Councillor M. Gunn,
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca,
And Resolved:-
"That the Co. Surveyor's attention be called to the scandalous state of some of the by-roads in the County, especially in the Killeevan, Kilgefin, Curraghroe, and Ballintubber Districts."

Application for an increase of salary from Mr. Sean MacSinnead, clerk in the Co. Surveyor's Office, was submitted:-
The following Motion was moved:-

Proposed by Councillor M. Ó Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca,
"That Mr. MacSinneaid's salary be increased by £25 rising by annual increments of this amount to £230."

Proposed by Councillor Owens,
Seconded by Councillor Ledwith,
"That Mr. MacSinneaid get no increase in salary."

On a Poll being taken the Motion for an increase of salary was passed by 7 votes to 4.

The following voted for the ₰ increase:- Councillors S. Ó Braonain, M. Ó Braonain, Colgain, Burke, Neary, Moran, and O'Neill.

The following voted against:- Councillors Gunn, Mee, Ledwith, and Owens."

Proposed by Councillor M. Ó Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor S. DeBurca,
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. MacSinneaid's salary be increased by £25 rising by annual increments of this amount to £230."

Proposed by Councillor S. De Burca,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O Colgain,
And Resolved:-
"That the Proposals for Payments as set out on Form 22 for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1924, 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."

Form 20 from the Proposal Committee was submitted and the following Resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Neary,
And Resolved:-
"That the Proposals for Works formulated by the Proposal Committee of the County Council on the 30th July, 1924, and set out on Form 20 be approved of."

The Tender of Messrs. Wallace Bros, Coal Importers, Westmoreland St. Dublin, for supply of 45 Tons of Coal was accepted at 44/3 per Ton.

The Secretary reported that a sum of £16,793. 5. 5 was outstanding in rates.

Proposed by Councillor Sean De Burca,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O Colgain,
And Resolved:-
"That we ask the Minister for Local Government to sanction payment of poundage fees at the rate of 8d in the £ to the undermentioned Collectors on the ~~30th~~ amounts of their Warrants for the half-years ended 30th September, 1923, and 31st March, 1924, as they lodged both moieties within the periods stated:-
Collector McGrann with 4 months
Collectors B. V. Doyle, J. Murray, Drury, and Rorke within 6 months.
Collector Coleman within 7 months.
We also ask the Minister to sanction payment of 2d in the £ extra to Collectors Donlon & Connor who

have already been paid at the rate of 6d in the £ on their collections for the above half-years, as Mr. Donlon lodged both moieties within 4 months and Mr. Connor within five months, we wish to point out to the Minister that the two latter are our best Collectors."

Letter from Mr. C. C. Dignan, Under-Sheriff, Roscommon, enclosing Courtkeeper's Report on damage done to the Courthouse during his occupation by Military and Civic Guard. The following order was made thereon:- "County Surveyor to be asked to estimate."

Letter from Messrs Goff & Galley, Solicitors, Elphin, re rent and repairs to Frenchpark Sessions House and stating that legal proceedings will be taken. The following order was made thereon:- "Instruct our Solicitor."

Letter from Dr. L. G. Dillon, late Medical Officer, Athleague Dispensary District, asking to have his superannuation increased, was submitted and marked "Read."

Mr. Letter from Mr. A. Lavin, T.D. enclosing Scheme for Collection of Rates through the Post Office was submitted, and the following order was made thereon:- "Left over for next Meeting."

Letter from Mr. E. J. Bolton, late Veterinary Inspector, Athlone Rural District, asking for arrears of salary due was submitted. The Secretary

informed the Council that the Ministry for Local Government issued a Sealed Order in respect of another Veterinary Inspector similarly circumstanced. The following order was made thereon:- "To be paid."

Reports on patients in Pearmount Sanatorium were submitted.

Letter from Messrs Robinson & Williams, Solicitors, Sligo. asking the County Council if they required the ruined building at Ballyfarnon rebuilt for Courthouse purposes was submitted and marked. "Read."

Letter from Messrs MacDonagh & Boland, Insurance Brokers. Dublin, re "Employers' Liability Insurance was submitted. The following order was made thereon:- "Secretary to deal with Insurance."

Letter from Mr. John Harold, Lanesboro, asking to have Paying Order marked "out of date" re-authorised:-
Proposed by Councillor Edward Moran.
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca.
And Resolved:-
"That we hereby authorise the re-issue of Paying Order No. 3380, amount £1-2-11 "out of date" and payable to John Harold."

Letter from Messrs Farr & Murtagh, Solicitors, Athlone. re Bill of £15-2-0 alleged to be due to the Athlone Printing Works was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "Refused." Solicitor to be instructed."

Letter from Mr. James Cox, Clerk Boyle Rural District relative to the Collection of Rent and Rates on Labourers' Cottages was submitted and marked "Read."

Letter from Mr. J. J. Keenan, offering the Hall in Elphin for use as a Courthouse at £10 per annum was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "To be occupied on 1st September subject to Co. Surveyor's Report."

The following Declaration re vacancy on Co. Council was submitted:-

Copy.

"We hereby declare that a vacancy exists on the "County Council by the resignation of S. O'Ryan."

(Signed) M. O'Braonain,
C. Mee,
P. O'Duibgeannain.

Countersigned
P. J. Gilloolly, Secretary Co. Council.

Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Colgain,
Seconded by Councillor M. Quinn,
And Resolved:-
"That Patrick Murray, Manor, Tulsk, be co-opted in room of Mr. Ryan resigned."

Letter from Mr. Michael Fetherstone, stating that he would pay the rent due on apartments occupied

by him in the Castlrea esc- Workhouse was submitted.

Letter from Irish Coal Companies re supply of Irish Coal was submitted and marked "Read."

Application from Mr. F. Cahill, Boyle, asking the Council to grant the use of one of the vacant rooms in Boyle esc- Workhouse for the purpose of holding Dancing Classes was submitted and marked "Refused."

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Brannain,
Seconded by Councillor K. Moran,
And Resolved:-

"That we, the Members of the Roscommon Co. Council are in thorough sympathy with the Pre- Truce Personal Injury Claimants in their endeavour to expedite the hearing of their Claims that have been lodged, (by direction of the Local Government Department) with the Secretary of the County Council, and the Secretaries of all other County Councils in the Free State, for a period extending over two years.

We regret the delay caused in the hearing of those Claims, and the hardships and privations thereby endured by the Claimants.

We direct that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by our Secretary to President Cosgrave, for his immediate consideration, also that copies be forwarded to the Secretaries of the other County Councils in the Free State."

Proposed by Councillor Seán Ó' Braonáin,
Seconded by Councillor Chas. Mee,
And Resolved:-

"That we, the Roscommon County Council, are strongly of opinion that it is due to the dignity of the Province of Connacht, that its University College with all its Faculties should not merely be maintained, but that it should be developed and placed in the same position as the Munster University College. We cannot see the justice of giving Leinster two Universities, viz:- Trinity College, and University College, Dublin, and Munster one University, and lopping off any Faculty from the Connacht University Centre, nor can we see any special work for Ireland that is done in the other University Centres, that cannot equally be well done in the Galway College. On the contrary it is quite clear that on account of its being situated in the Gaeltacht, the Galway College can do extremely valuable work of a special nature for our Country in training teachers to be fluent speakers of Irish.

Copies of this resolution to be sent to President Cosgrave, the Ministers for Education, Finance and Agriculture, and the T. Ds' for the County."

Letter from the Secretary of the Irish Nurses and Midwives Union re superannuation awarded to Miss Bligh ex-Nurse in Castlrea Union. The following order was made thereon:- "Acquaint Solicitor."

Several Reports from the Secretary of the Advisory Committee (late Roscommon Town Commissioners)

were submitted.

The Secretary stated the Collectors' Refund Lists for several half-years were ready for the Council's consideration, and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Feany.

And Resolved:-

"That Councillors M. O' Braonain, Sean De Burca, and Martin O' Guinn, be appointed a Sub-Committee to deal with the Collectors' Refund Lists."

Collector E. Doyle, Boyle asked the Council to pay him poundage fees on rates collected for the yearended 31st March, 1924. and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O Colgain.

And Resolved:-

"That the Minister for Local Government be asked to sanction payment of poundage at the rate of 8d in the £ to Collector E. Doyle, who has closed his collection for the year ended 31st March, 1924. within four months less the sum of £42. 9. 4 irrecoverable rates on vacant houses. Mr. Doyle has now agreed to lodge this sum before Saturday nesch. In asking the Minister's sanction we would like to point out that Mr. Doyle has the most difficult Collection District in the County, viz:- the town of Boyle, having to lodge a considerable sum out of his own pocket as the people are extremely poor."

Letters from Mr. M. O'Connor, District Court Clerk, Strokestown, re office accomodation and stating that Strokestown Union Buildings were not convenient for an Office was submitted, and the following order was made thereon:- "Office to be in Workhouse."

Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Colgain
Seconded by Councillor P. Ledwith,
And Resolved:-
"That we protest against the abolition of District Councils."

Proposed by Councillor Ledwith,
Seconded by Councillor Neary,
And Resolved:-
"That the attention of those responsible for the Shannon Navigation be called to the damage being caused to land owners on the borders of the Shannon between Shannonbridge and Athlone by flooding due to the Lock at Meelick and request that the gates be raised sufficient to relieve those Districts."

Letter from the Organiser, Irish Transport and General Workers Union re road dispute in a section of the County was submitted and marked "Read."

Letter from the Secretary of the Griffith and Collins Commeration was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "Inform Committee Chairman attended."

Letter from Mr. P. Drury, esc- Rate Collector,

asking the Council to pay his pension monthly was submitted and marked "Read."

Letter from Mr. James Walker, Longford, Castlerea, enclosing authority to hand him Paying Order due to a Road Contractor was submitted and marked "Refused."

All other correspondence was marked "Read."

The Rate Books and Collectors' Warrants were signed and sealed.

The following are the amounts of the Warrants for the Rate Collectors in the County for the year ending 31st March, 1925.

Name of Collector.	Amounts.
Collector B. V. Doyle.	£2752 · 19 · 4
" J. Mannion	3591 · 19 · 6
" J. Martin	1966 · 11 · 9
" P. J. Fallon	1714 · 6 · 8
" J. Murray	3108 · 13 · 11
" J. Lane	3242 · 13 · 3
" L. O'Hara	4022 · 13 · 1
" E. Doyle	3607 · 13 · 2
" H. Drury	3738 · 3 · 0
" T. J. Coleman	2447 · 6 · 3
" H. Rogers.	4153 · 6 · 7
" C. L. Devaney.	1935 · 6 · 3
" J. McDermott	831 · 4 · 2
" J. Tyler	3771 · 6 · 7
" M. Kelly	3127 · 10 · 11

Collector W. Fleming.	£6599. 2. 11
" P. G. Shanagher.	2782. 14. 10
" M. Kelly	8966. 0. 3.
" J. Connor	3560. 3. 5
" T. Fleming	2462. 15. 5
" J. Connaughton	6172. 7. 3
" W. Dolan	2655. 8. 2
" Delia Brogan	3794. 19. 8
" M. Geraghty	6224. 4. 6
" M. Murray	3118. 6. 1
" O. Doulon	1433. 5. 10
" D. Hanly	3003. 14. 2
" P. Egan	4965. 2. 4
" M. P. Rorke	7149. 7. 5
" P. McGann	596. 13. 2
" P. Byrne	1584. 5. 3.

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

Roscommon.	Thursday, 9th Oct, 1924.	1 o'clock. p. m.
Boyle	Saturday, 11th " "	" " "
Carrick-on-Shn.	Thursday, 16th, " "	" " "
Castlerea	Saturday, 18th. " "	" " "
Athlone	" 25th. " "	" " "

Proposal Committee

Roscommon	Wednesday, 5th November, 1924.	11. 30 o'clock.

County Council.

Roscommon. Wednesday, 26th November, 1924. 11.30 oclock.

I certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Minutes.

(Signed) W. O'Kvaonain
Chairman.
5th Nov. 1924

Minutes of Proceedings of Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Wednesday, 5th November, 1924.

Councillor M. O'Braonain, Chairman, presided, and the following Members were in attendance:- Councillors Colgan, Burke, Moran, McHugh, O'Neill, Hughes, and Murray. + Mee.

Mr. Patrick Murray made the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office of County Councillor.

Proposed by Councillor Edward Moran.
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Murray.
And Resolved:-
"That the Minutes of last Meeting be taken as read."

The following correspondence from the Ministry of Local Government was submitted:-

Letter enclosing Memorandum relative to the new regulations regarding travelling expenses to Surveyors who use their own Motor Cars.

Letter relative to the distribution of the balance of the Agricultural Grant for the half-year ended 30th of September, 1923, and the whole of the Agricultural Grant for the half-year ended 30th September, 1924.

Letter No. G. 37859 stating that Mr. John Bosc, late Rate Collector, did not hold a pensionable Office.

Letter No. P.H. 39938 asking particulars re proposed increase of salary to Miss P. Ryan, Public Analyst, also letter from Miss Ryan on the

same subject. The following Order was made thereon:- "Council wish to adhere to decision, viz:- £75 per annum.

Letter No. R.S. 25 asking the Council to reconsider proposed increase of salary to Mr. Sean MacSinnead, Co. Surveyor's Clerk. The following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.

And Resolved:-

"That the salary of Sean MacSinnead be increased by £20 to £150 rising by two annual increments of £20 and one increment of £10 to £200. Payments to be retrospective from date of Council's resolution viz. the 18th August."

Letter No. G. 36369 re Miss Walsh's appointment on the County Council staff. The following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean DeBurca,

And Resolved:-

"That the Local Government Department be informed that the appointment of Miss Walsh as clerk in the Council Office is not additional, but the filling of a vacancy caused by the promotion of a member of the staff to the Secretaryship. With the inclusion of Miss Walsh the staff remains the same in ~~number~~ number as for the last twelve years and the Council wishing to retain the same efficiency in the Office request the Ministry to sanction the appointment at the proposed remuneration as Miss Walsh is five and a-half years in the

Office."

Letter No. 37162 enclosing copy of letter to Advisory Committee re holding fairs on the Roscommon streets.

Letters Nos. DB/202, DB/25, and DB/25 asking the Co. Council to pay contribution due under the Damage to Property (Compensation) Act, 1923. The following order was made thereon:- "To be paid an instalment of £7,000."

Letter No. M. 41125 giving the Minister's reasons for abolishing the Roscommon County Board of Health.

Letter No. RM/25 sanctioning the employment of an Overseer of Steam Rolling

Letter No. RM/25 sanctioning Mr. Ryan's appointment as Overseer of Steamrolling at a salary of £5 per week together with allowances for travelling.

Letter No. 32011 enclosing copy of an Order remitting Surcharges made by the Auditor.

Letter No. G. 44972 asking the County Council to provide a Courthouse in Frenchpark. The following order was made thereon:- Co. Surveyor to arrange for rebuilding the Council's Courthouse. Secretary to provide temporary accommodation in the meantime."

Letter No. G. 40433 returning Collectors Refund Lists and asking for further information thereon. The following resolutions were passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Brannain,
Seconded by Councillor K. Moran.

And Resolved:-

"That the Collectors'

Refund Lists returned by the Ministry of Local Government be again forwarded to them for approval as we went into them carefully on a former occasion and only allowed items which we considered were strictly irrecoverable."
Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor Sean O' Colgain.
And Resolved:-
"That Messrs Brennan and Burke be appointed to deal with the Collectors Refund Lists, and when dealt with by them be forwarded to the Ministry of Local Government for their approval."

Letter No. G. 46544 stating that a Warrant has been issued to the Sheriff to collect the rates due by certain defaulters.
Letter No. 25 sanctioning an appointment of an extra clerk in the Co. Surveyors Office.
Letter No. P. 47491 enclosing copy of letter from the Secretary of the Galway Co. Council re amount due to the Council in respect of the Ballinasloe Union liabilities.
Letter No. P. H. 46417 asking the Co. Council to draft a Tuberculosis Scheme for the County was "Adjourned"
Letter No. P. 45242 asking the County Council to increase the Lettings of certain Buildings in Castlrea ex-Workhouse and returning Agreements forwarded with suggested Amendments. The following order was made thereon:- "Present rents to stand."

A Notice of Motion signed by Councillor

Sean O' Braonain of which the following is a copy was "Rejected:-

Copy.

"I hereby give notice that at the next meeting of the Roscommon Co. Council, I, or some other Councillor on my behalf, will move that the yearly rent of the Castlerea Workhouse Fever Hospital let to Mr. Fetherstone be twelve pounds, the rent at this rate to be retrospective."

(Signed) Sean O' Braonain.

The Secretary stated that the Caretaker of the ex-Workhouse Buildings reported that the place was rapidly filling up, and asked the Co. Council to make an Order on the matter.
Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca.
And Resolved:-
"That the Local Government Department be asked if the Council can, in view of the Housing shortage in Castlerea, admit these people as Tenants that have already gone to live there."
Letter No. P. 47789 relative to the state of the Castlerea ex-Workhouse, also letter from the Courtkeeper on the same subject. The following order was thereon:-
Mr. Dickie be asked to report on the state of the Roof etc. of the Castlerea ex-Workhouse and submit estimate for Repairs."

(Signed) M. O' Braonain.

Mr. Jones, Tenant of the Nurses' Residence, ex-Workhouse, Castlerea, complained that the Contractor

has neglected to fulfil his Contract and the following order was made thereon:-
"Contractor Michael Cooney to fulfil the terms of his "Contract at once re Jones' House also proceedings be "taken Mr. Leech to arrange Contractor for the supply "of a double gate instead of single wicket as "contracted for."

(Signed) M. O'Braonain.

Circular No. H. 501/22939 re Loans under Sec. 6 of the Housing (Building) Facilities Act was "Adjourned."

Copies of the Auditor's Reports on the Accounts of Several Local Authorities were submitted.

The following correspondence from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction was submitted:-
Letter No. 2145 enclosing copy of the Inspector's Report on his inspection of Dipping Centres in Roscommon.
The following Order was made thereon:- "Adjourned for the attendance of Mr. Hans, Veterinary Inspector."

Mr. Staunton, Solicitor, Castlrea, issued a Civil Bill for loss of sheep at a dipping centre under Dipping Inspector Crean's supervision. The following order was made thereon:- "Dipping Inspector Crean be called upon for an explanation concerning the death of sheep, the property of Mr. Thomas Henehan, Ballindrimley."

The Secretary reported that owing to the

unsatisfactory discharge of duties he directed Mr. Hans. Veterinary Inspector, to suspend Dipping Inspector Reynolds until the Meeting of the County Council on the 5th November. The following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.
And Resolved:-

"That the Council call upon Sub-Inspector Reynolds to settle up his account satisfactorily. Failing this the Council will be obliged to dismiss Inspector Reynolds. Until this Account is satisfactorily settled Mr. Reynolds' suspension to continue."

A Letter from the National Health Insurance Commission asking the Co. Council to amend a former resolution relative to the appointment of Members on the County Roscommon Insurance Society was submitted. The following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.
And Resolved:-

"That Messrs P. Duignan, E. Moran, Wm. O' Neill, Sean De Burca, S. O' Braonain, and S. O' Colgain be appointed on the County Roscommon Insurance Society."

A Letter from Mr. M. J. O' Connor, District Court Clerk, Roscommon complaining of want of proper accommodation in Roscommon Courthouse for his Office was submitted, and the following order

was made thereon:- "Mr. O'Connor to have undisputed possession."

Reports from the R.M.S. Peamount Sanatorium re patients and asking the County Council to defray the cost of operation on a Patient was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "Approved."

Letter from Mr. A. O'Lamin, T.D. re collection of rates through the Post Office was submitted and marked "Adjourned."

Letter from the Manager of the Northern Banking Co, enclosing Assignment in Mr. John F. Brennan's Claim for Malicious Injury was submitted. No order was made on same.

Letter from Mr. P. J. McAndrew, B.E. enclosing particulars of the Blacksod Bay Harbour and Railways was submitted and marked "Approved."

The Secretary reported that there were still nine Rate Collectors having outstanding amounts in respect of the year ended 31st March, last, and he asked the Council to make some definite order on the matter. The following order was made thereon:- "That all Collectors who have amounts outstanding for March, 1924 and who have not their Collections closed by the 26th November be forthwith suspended."

The following is a copy of an application from

Collector John Tyler which was submitted:-

Copy.

Portaghard,
Frenchpark,
30th. Oct. 1924.

List of deferred poundage fees due to Collector J. Tyler.

	1st Moiety.	2nd Moiety.
For the year ending 31st March, 1920.	£15-10-8	£15-10-0
.. .. 1921.		14-11-10
.. .. 1922		26-4-2

For the year ended 31st March, 1920.

I closed my Collection before the 30th and before the 31st March. I got my Books on the 16th July and for not having one-third of 1st Moiety lodged on the 30th July, the above sum of £15-10-8 was deferred until the then L.G. Board would sanction payment and for not having one-third 2nd Moiety in on the 30th December the £15-10 of my poundage was not paid. The then L.G. Board would not sanction payment until I would send on a Medical Certificate and when I sent it on they agreed to sanction payment. I was ill in November and December.

At this time the Council broke with the L.G. Board I would have been paid only for they broke with the L.G. Board. Other Collectors who were not ill got paid in time as the L.G. Board sanctioned their payment.

For the Year ended 31st March, 1921.

I was only twelve days late in closing after the

time given by the County Council.

For the year ended 31st March, 1922.

It was very difficult to get in rates as there was a strike against paying in my District, which is the poorest and most disturbed part of the County and adjours Ballaghaderreen where no rate was collected for two years.

(Signed) John Tyler.

The following order was made on above:-
"Local Government Department be asked to agree to this request."
Proposed by Councillor Wm. O'Neill.
Seconded by Councillor John Hughes.
And Resolved:-

"That we ask the Ministry of Local Government to sanction payment of poundage fees at 8d in the £ to Collector John Mannion who has lodged the full amount of his Warrant for the four half-years ended 31st March. 1924, within a little over four months and has also collected and lodged nearly £800 arrears of rates for the year ended the 31st March, 1922".

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor R. Moran.
And Resolved:-

"That all Collectors who have closed up-to-date be paid poundage and where Collectors lodged both moieties within six months from the dates on which they received their Warrants the Minister of Local Government be

asked to sanction payment at the rate of 8d in the £ and that he also be asked to sanction payment of any deferred poundage to Collectors who lodged both moieties within six months for the years ended 31st March, 1921, 1922, 1923, and 1924, as owing to the exceptional times existing during these years it was almost impossible for the Collectors to comply with the Board's regulations."

Proposed by Councillor Sean O' Colgain,
Seconded by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
And Resolved:-

"That in the case of Collector Michael Kelly who has lodged a large amount to close his collection in respect of a man named Concannon for the years ended 31st March, 1922, 1923, and 1924, we respectfully ask the Minister to approve of this Collector's Refund Lists as early as possible so that Mr. Kelly made be paid the amounts claimed."

The following copy of Report of the University Committee was submitted:-

Copy.

Report of University Committee held on the 10th Oct. 1924.

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1. We recommend a Scholarship to Miss B. Cahalan. Derreenavagh, Leitrim P.O. as she has passed the required examinations and is otherwise qualified.
2. We recommend Miss Feely, and Mr. J. J. Jennings, each for a continuation Scholarship for two years of £50 per annum, both students having fully

complied with the rules laid down in the Councils Scheme for the granting of such extensions.

3. With regard to Messrs Hughes, and Naughten we are disposed in view of the fact that both got House Scholarships but not for three consecutive years and of the fact that both got Honours at all Examinations, to recommend the extension of their Scholarships for 2 years, but at £40 per annum instead of £50 as awarded to those who fully complied with the rule.

4. We regret that Miss Geraghty has not complied with Rule 10 of the Scheme, but in view of the fact that she has passed her B. A. with honours and has been strongly recommended by Dean Hynes for a continuation Scholarship in order to obtain a higher Diploma in Education we recommend that her College fees for one year be paid.

5. We recommend the Council to give favourable consideration to the Scheme submitted by the Minister of Education regarding Scholarships from Primary to Secondary Schools.

6. We also recommend that Messrs Allen, Hunt and Treacy be continued as Co. Council Scholars in University College, Galway for another year, as these students have complied with the Councils requirements.

(Signed) T. H. Cummins
Chairman of Scholarship Committee.

Proposed by Councillor Wm. O'Neill,
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca,
And Resolved:-
"That the Report of

the University Committee be adopted with the alteration that Messrs Naghten and Hughes in view of their distinguished answering, their Scholarships be increased from £40 to £50."

A Letter from which the following is a copy from the Rev. J. Hynes, Registrar, University College, Galway was read:-

Copy.

University College,
Galway,
3rd November, 1924.

A Chara,

The Sarbonne University, Paris, is prepared to appoint Miss B. Feely, B.A. B.Comm. honorary Lecturer on Modern Irish. Miss Feely is naturally very anxious to secure this appointment, inasmuch as it will enable her to attend Lectures in the Sarbonne, and to acquire a thorough knowledge of the French language. As the appointment carries no salary with it, she cannot accept it unless your Council provides her with a Scholarship. Your Education Committee has already recommended a Continuation Scholarship to her of £50 a year for two years, tenable at University College, Galway. When it made this recommendation it did not know of the Sarbonne appointment. I strongly recommend your Council to grant Miss Feely a Scholarship of at least £100 tenable for this year in the Sarbonne University, instead of adopting the recommendation of your Education Committee. Miss Feely has been an

exceptionally good student for she has got two Degrees in the course of three years. She will secure great intellectual advantages from a years study abroad. Students like Miss Feely should be encouraged. I may add that your Council has awarded only one Scholarship for the triennial period beginning 1st of October, 1924.

Yours, Sincerely.
(Sgd.) J. Hynes.

The Secretary.
Roscommon Co. Council.

The following order was made thereon:- "Approved" Subject to Sanction. M. O'B.

Letter from Mr. F. G. McSherry, Solicitor, Roscommon, claiming £5- 1- 11 on behalf of Mr. R. Mannion, Castlrea, ex- National Teacher in Castlrea Workhouse was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "To be defended."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran,
And Resolved:-

"That with the sanction of the Ministry of Local Government a temporary Overdraft to the 31st March, 1925, be obtained from the National Bank, Roscommon, on the Council Account not to exceed for Principal, £30,000 to bear interest at the rate not in excess of 2% under the Irish Bank Rate from time to time with a minimum of 4%."

Proposed by Councillor Sean DeBurca.
Seconded by Councillor Sean O'Colgain.
And Resolved:-
"That we, the Roscommon County Council, protest against the detention of Republicans in Jails in the 26 Counties, the 6 Counties and Great Britain.
Copies of this resolution to be forwarded to the proper authorities in above named-places."

The Form of Agreement relative to Telephone Exchange Line in the Courthouse, Roscommon was signed.

26th November 1924.

(Signed) Seán Ó Colgáin
Chairman.

Minutes of Proceedings of Quarterly Meeting of the Roscommon Co. Council, held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Wednesday, 26th November, 1924.

Councillor Sean O'Colgain, Vice-Chairman, presided and subsequently Councillor M. O'Braonain, Chairman took the Chair.

The following Members were in attendance:- Councillors Burke, Greene, Kelly, Murray, Ward, Quinn, Moran, McHugh, O'Neill, and Hughes.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Greene,
Seconded by Councillor Edward Moran.
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. G. 50471 calling attention to the large sums outstanding in the Collection Districts of Collectors William Fleming, M. Geraghty, Nicholas Kelly, and Miss Brogan. The Secretary informed the Council that Collector Delia Brogan has since closed and Collector Geraghty promised to do so on the 29th inst. Collector Nicholas Kelly subsequently resigned the office of Rate Collector and the following order was made thereon:- "Resignation accepted. To advertise for successor."

Letter No. 52216 re Scholarship awarded to Miss Feely and stating that same is only tenable in

an Irish University. The following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor Sean O' Colgain,
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Murray.
And Resolved:-
"That we ask the Ministry of Local Government to reconsider their decision re Scholarship awarded to Miss Feelp."

Letter No. 53202 sanctioning Council's Overdraft of £30,000 to the 31st March next.

Letter No. G. 52,366 (1) the present condition of Elphin Courthouse. The following order was made thereon:- "Co. Surveyor to report as to suitability of Mr. John Keenan's Hall."
(2) re Office accommodation for the District Court Clerk at Boyle. The following order was made thereon:- "District Clerk to have use of an Office there and rents to be charged for Labour Exchange and Pension Office since occupation began."

Letter No. G. 5220 sanctioning the payment of deferred poundage amounting to £31-0-8 to Collector Tyler for March, 1920. The following order was made thereon:- "Approved."

Letter No. G. 53, 312 re Bill from the Athlone Printing Works, for advertising Polling Stations. All the papers in the County made similar Claims. The following order was made thereon:- "To be paid." "Same order apply to similar Accounts."

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
And Resolved:-
"That the following
Members act as a Committee to deal with applications
for Grants and Loans under the Housing Act and
report to Special Meeting of the County Council to
deal with same:- Mr. D. J. Kelly. Wm. O' Neill,
Sean O' Colgain, P. Murray. E. Moran, P. McHugh,
P. J. Neary. M. Ward, Sean De Burca.
Committee Meeting 6th December.
Special Council Meeting. 15th December.

Mr. Hans, Veterinary Inspector, submitted Report on the Autumn Sheep Dipping and reported certain Sub- Inspectors for neglect of duty. The following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Murray.
And Resolved:-
"That Sub- Inspectors
under the Diseases of Animals Act not furnishing
their Accounts properly, be suspended and the Council
re- coup the outstanding amounts by witholding their
salaries."

The following Report of the Roads Committee was submitted:-

(Copy)

Roads Committee Meeting held 22nd November, 1924.

Unfortunately no Member of the Committee put in an appearance except myself, the Co. Surveyor,

and Deputy Surveyors McDonagh, Leech, and Dolan, were also in attendance.

The Co. Surveyor gave the following interesting particulars concerning supervision:-

The salaries of the Deputy Surveyors amount to £1020 per annum and their travelling expenses amount to £597. 5. 6 per annum, the latter calculation being made upon an average mileage for one year at the late rate fixed by the Local Government Department of six pence per mile by motor car. This means a total of £1017. 5. 6 per annum for the inspection by the Deputy Surveyors of the roads in the County.

It means a cost of about £1. 5 per mile for inspection apart from the Co. Surveyors allowances and salary. We should certainly have a good inspection for this amount of money, but somehow the system appears to me to be in fault not alone in this County, but all over Ireland, inasmuch as the Deputy Surveyors are not whole time officers. The fault may not be exactly here but it is certainly a drawback.

The many complaints that are daily made about road-men not doing a decent days wok for the Council, are an indication that the system requires considerable tightening up and the Co. Surveyor has agreed that edging, carting or quarrying ought to be done as far as possible by task. The present Scheme of Direct Labour does not permit of this, but the Co. Surveyor suggests an alteration ~~is permissable~~ is permissable in the Scheme for the coming year if such alteration

In framing the Estimate for the present year, wages were calculated at 36/= per week for Labarers and 45/= per week for Gangers. A.

reduction wages to 31/= and 40/= to 42/= respectively took place after the framing of the Estimate which meant a reduction of close on £5,000 for the year calculated on the new rate of wages. This amount was not struck out of the Estimate and although I had reckoned on a saving at the end of the present financial year of this amount, I find it has been actually used up in patch-rolling and other extra expenditure. The Co. Surveyor maintains that this was his instructions and I have no doubt he is correct although I have no actual remembrance of it. When framing the Estimate for the coming year I would insist that the Council keep this item in mind as the present expenditure on roads is enormous and the burden is really unbearable for the ratepayers.

When the present Steam-Rolling Grant is exhausted it is estimated that we will have over 30 miles of road newly steam-rolled. This ought to ensure a considerable reduction in maintenance on those particular roads and effect a saving for the coming year. A ratepayer in Mid-Roscommon made a complaint about road-men leaving their work on the roads and saving hay for other people. The complaint was investigated on the spot by the Co. Surveyor, who will give a report on the matter. Although this particular case was not proved by the complainant I think he deserves the thanks of the Council for having the matter brought to light, as it certainly had a very suspicious appearance and I hope his action will be an incentive to other ratepayers in the County, who

in their own and the public interest ought to be on the look-out of any delinquencies to have a report made wherever there is any doubt. The Co. Surveyor also reported on the valuable work being done by the Overseer of the Steam-Rolling - Mr. Ryan and personally I think we were fortunate in securing his services.

If the Co. Surveyor makes an alteration in the Direct Labour Scheme, I'd recommend that a Special Committee be appointed when the time comes to go into the matter with him.

(Signed) M. O'Braonain.

The following order was made on above "Approved."

The Co. Surveyor submitted his Report for the Quarter ended 30th September, 1924, (copy herewith) and same was marked. "Approved."

The Co. Surveyor's report on the examination for the position of temporary clerk in his office and notifying the Council that Mr. J. J. Healy was appointed was submitted and Approved.

Form 20 from the Proposal Committee was submitted:-

Proposed by Councillor Michael Greene,
Seconded by Councillor Edward Moran.

And Resolved:-

"That the Proposal for Maintenance Works formulated by the Proposal Committee of the Co. Council and set out on Form 20, dated the 5th day of November, 1924, be and

is hereby approved. And we authorise our Secretary to Seal this Resolution."

Proposed by Councillor Michael Greene,
Seconded by Councillor Edward Moran,
And Resolved:-
"That the Proposal for Maintenance Works formulated by the Proposal Committee set out on Form 20, and approved of by us at our Meeting held this day, be placed in charge of the Co. Surveyor. And we authorise our Secretary to Seal this Resolution."

The following application from Mr. B. Curley, Clerk in the Co. Surveyor's Office, asking to be placed on the same salary basis as the Clerks in the Co. Council Office, was submitted:-

(Copy)

Co. Surveyor's Office,
Roscommon,
18th November, 1924.

Mr. Chairman & Gentlemen,

I beg to make application to be put on the same salary basis as regards maximum and increments, as allowed to the clerks in the Co. Council Office under the Award made by Inspector Geraghty and sanctioned by the Ministry of Local Government.

In support of this Application I wish to point out to you that I have now over 12 years' service in the Co. Surveyor's Department, and during all that period I have always given of the best in the

interests of the Council.

For over three years of that period I had the responsibility of the checking of the Accounts and the general working of the Co. Surveyor's Office without any supervision. That period has now been audited by the Local Government Auditor, and the Accounts found correct. This I think speaks fully for the interest I have shown in my work.

Furthermore owing to the large Scheme of road construction now going on the work has increased by fully 70%. This necessitates my working on an average of at least eight hours per week overtime in order to cope with this extra work and for which I receive no extra remuneration whatsoever.

I feel confident that it is only necessary to acquaint you with those facts to see the justice of my claim, but if you do not consider me entitled to it, I am quite willing to have the question left to arbitration.

I am, Mr Chairman & Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
(Sgd.) B. Curley.

The following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca.
And Resolved:-

"That Mr. Curley, Clerk in the Co. Surveyor's Office, be put on same salary basis as Clerks in Co. Secretary's Office were awarded in the Arbitration award made by Inspector Geraghty and sanctioned by the Ministry of Local Government that is, that his present salary of £230 be increased by £10 to

£240 as from the 1st April, 1925, and afterwards by annual increments of £10 per year to a maximum of £350."

Proposed by Councillor Michael Greene.
Seconded by Councillor Edward Moran.
And Resolved:-
"That the Proposals for Payments as set out on Form 22 for the Quarter ended 30th September, 1924, 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."

Letter from Mr. A. O'Laimin L.D. re Collection of Rates through the Post Office was marked. "Read".

The following letter from Miss R. Ryan, Public Analyst, was submitted:-

(Copy.)

University College,
Earlsfort Terrace.
Dublin,
25/11/24.

A Chara,

I have to thank you for two letters one dated the 8th November in connection with the Council's decision not to increase my salary above £145. Another of the 22nd November enclosing a letter from the Ministry of Local Government with regard to that increase. I enclose the information you require, though I have sent you

at the end of each Quarter a report on my work in triplicate for that Quarter, and I thought this information was for the Local Government Ministry.

With regard to the question in the letter from the Local Government Ministry as to whether my functions include examinations other than those performed at the instance of the sampling officers under the sale of the Food and Drugs Acts, I should like also to be clear on this point. I should like to hear from the Roscommon Co. Council whether they intend their prospective £45 to cover all the analyses from all the District Councils in the County as well as those from the Inspectors of Food and Drugs acts, ~~I should like also to be clear on this point.~~

~~I should like to hear from the Roscommon County Council or whether they intend their prospective £45 to cover all the analyses from all the District Councils in the County as well as those from the Inspectors of Food & Drugs~~, or whether I may send for instance to the Roscommon Rural District Council my charge for the analysis of all the waters and sour milks which I have done for them, and whether I may send in future my A/c to all other bodies, other than those which come under the Sale of Food & Drugs Acts. The terms of my appointment as Analyst to Roscommon Co. Council were Nil. You merely appointed an Analyst, without saying what were to be his or her duties. I can see a way of fixing up our differences with regard to salary in above way, and I should like to hear as soon as possible from you as to whether you will accept this

method of payment. If not will you ask the Council to define what amount of work they expect me to perform for £45. Is it not enough to expect to have all the work of the Co. Board of Health done for that, as well as all the foods that may be sent by the Department of Agriculture, and the Civic Guard Inspectors? If you Council cannot agree to those terms, or to those contained in my letter dated 30/10/24, I am afraid I shall be compelled to resign my position as Analyst to the Roscommon Co. Council, so that the position may be readvertised and then we may get clear on the amount of work expected for the given salary.

Faithfully yours,

(Sgd) Phyllis Ryan.

The following order was made on above:- "Miss Ryan to be informed that Council's offer of £45 was to include all work for County."

The Report of the Advisory Committee (late Roscommon Town Commissioners) was submitted.
The Rate Book and Warrant for the collection of the Town rate was submitted, and signed and sealed by the Council. The amount of Collector Rabbett's Warrant for year ending 31st March, 1925 is £148-5-7.

The Secretary submitted a Report on the state of the Rate Collection and notified the Council that a sum of £97,222-5-7 was outstanding in respect of the year ending 31st March, 1925.

Collector W. Fleming attended before the County Council asking for a further extension of time within which to close his collection for the year

ended 31st March last. The County Council decided to leave this matter in the hands of the Local Government Department.

An application of which the following is a copy was submitted from Collector Delia Croghan:-

(Copy)

Lisduff. Creggs.
18th November. 1924.

Re Collection of Rates for Years ended March. 1922-'23.

Chairman and Gentlemen.

I beg to apply for £24. 9. 4. (Poundage fees) and £6. 9. 10 (Refund) due to my brother John for years ended March 1921 and 1923.

He was only paid at the rate of 6d in the £ for collecting rates for year ending March 1921 which he closed in four months after getting his Books minus the sum of £163. 17. 0 seized by the Military. this latter sum he lodged the following December as directed by the Council. All the other Collectors were paid at 8d in the £ and has their books eight months before him.

Hoping that you will give this application your kind consideration.

I am Gentlemen.
(Sgd.) Delia Croghan.

The following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor Sean DeBurca.
Seconded by Councillor Edward Moran.
And Resolved:-
"That we ask the Minister for Local Government to sanction payment of poundage fees at 2d in the £ extra to the representatives of the late Collector John Brogan on the amount of his Warrants for the year ended 31st March, 1922, and at 8d in the £ on the amount of the 1923-24 Rate which he lodged. He lodged the full amounts of his Warrants for March 1922 within four months less a sum of £163 · 17 · 0 seized by Crown Forces which he subsequently lodged when directed to do so."

Proposed by Councillor Sean DeBurca.
Seconded by Councillor Edward Moran.
And Resolved:-
"That we ask the Minister to sanction payment of poundage fees to Collector Rogers, Fallon and Michael Kelly, who have lodged the full amounts of their Warrants for the year ended 31st March, 1924, less amounts placed in the hands of the Minister for Local Government under the Collection of Rates Act, 1923. We also ask the Minister to sanction poundage fees to Collector Geraghty and Shanagher who have promised to close their Collections for above year before the 12th. December next."

The Collectors refund Lists were submitted to the Council whose recommendations were duly set out thereon and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
Seconded by Councillor William O'Neill.
And Resolved:-
"That Father B. J. Keane, C.C., Four Roads, and Mr. John Hughes, Ballyhugh, Ballinasloe, be appointed to represent the County Council on Ballinasloe Asylum Committee."

Mr. M. J. Leech, Assistant Surveyor, informed the Co. Council that it would take about £15 to have a gate and piers put up at the entrance to Mr. Jones's house at the Eastern esc- Workhouse. Order:- "Contractors price for small gate to be deducted."

Letter from Superintendent P. Glynn, Civic Guard, Roscommon, submitting letter from Sgt. J. J. Kiernan Inspector under the Weights and Measures Act was submitted. Order:- "Former Office in old Jail to be requisitioned and Coal supplied."

Reports on Patients in Dunmore Sanatorium were submitted.

Letters from Mr. W. A. Browne, Mount Browne, Strokestown, relative to the application of the Agricultural Rates Emergency Bill were submitted and marked "Read."

Application from the Secretary of the Agriculture and Technical Committee, Roscommon, for use of a room in Boyle esc- Workhouse for holding classes was submitted and the following order

was made thereon:- "Permission Granted."

Letter from Mr. J. J. Shiel, 29 Newtown Avenue, Blackrock, asking the Co. Council to guarantee that his grazing land will not be interfered with was submitted and marked. "Read."

Agreement between Mrs. S. J. Kelly, Frenchpark, and the Co. Council for the use of two rooms as a Courthouse in Frenchpark at £20 per annum was submitted and marked "Approved."

Mr. Martin Curran's offer of 30/- for old weights and scales rejected by the Trade Department Inspector was accepted.

All other correspondence was marked. "Read."

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

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Roscommon.	Thursday 8th Jany. 1925.	10 clock p. m.
Boyle	Saturday 10th " "	do
Castlerea	" 17th " "	do
Ck-on-Shannon	Wednesday 21st " "	do
Athlone	Saturday 24th " "	do.
	Proposal Committee.	
Roscommon.	Wednesday 4th Feby. 1925.	11·30 a. m.
	County Council.	
Roscommon.	Tuesday 24th Feby. 1925.	11·30. a. m.

(Signed.) M. Kraeman
Chairman. 4 2 '25

Minutes of Proceedings of Special Meeting of the Roscommon Co. Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon on Monday, 22nd December, 1924.

Mr. P. J. Neary, Vice-Chairman and subsequently Mr. M. O Braonain, Chairman presided. The following Members were present:- Councillors S. O Braonain, Colgan, Creaton, Gavin, Burke, D. J. Kelly, Mee, T. Lavin, Murray, Quinn, Moran, Judge, Hughes, and Ledwith.

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Neary.
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
And Resolved:-

"That we view with alarm and concern the threatened starvation and total unemployment of the people of Ireland and we also view with alarm the steady flow of unchecked, nay, unheeded emigration from Ireland and in order that a solution of those unfortunate difficulties may be arrived at, that we call a public Meeting in this Courthouse at a early date in January next, so that the business men, employees, professional men and the different Public Bodies throughout the County and all other men of intelligence may formulate a Scheme or Schemes, so as to preserve to the Nation the rising manhood and womanhood of Roscommon."

The following order was made:- "Date of Meeting to be 10th January."

The following correspondence from the Department of Local Government and Public Health was

submitted:-

Letter No. G. 54908 with enclosure and G. 56745 re Rate Collector William Fleming and notifying the Council that the suspension imposed on him was removed by the Department. The following order was made thereon:- "Leave him in hands of L. G. Department."

Letter No. G. 55005 re Scholarship granted to Miss Feely in Sarbonne University and enclosing copy of letter addressed to Professor Liam O'Brien, University College, Galway, on the same subject. The following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor J. J. O' Colgain,
And Resolved:-

"That the Scholarship granted to Miss Feely for the Sarbonne University, Paris, revert to the Galway University."

Letter No. P. H. 55445 re expenditure of the Roscommon County Council for tuberculosis patients in Pearmount Sanatorium. The following order was made thereon:- Sec. to get more information re Schemes in other Counties."

Circular No. F. 57456 postponing Elections to a date subsequent to the 15th January next.

Circular No. 55189 re Administrative Economy in the affairs of Local Authorities. The following order was made thereon:- To be complied with."

Applications for the vacant Collectorship in Castlerea Rural District were received from the following:- Messrs M. Gordon, New Street, Ballaghaderreen, William Caron, Ruskey, Ballaghaderreen, and James McDermott, Derryhippo, Creggs.

Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Colgain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O'Braonain.
"That M. Gordon be appointed Rate Collector for Ballaghaderreen."

Proposed by Councillor Sean De Burca.
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
"That James McDermott be appointed Rate Collector for Ballaghaderreen."

Proposed by Councillor D. Creaton.
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.
"That William Caron be appointed Rate Collector for Ballaghaderreen."

On a Poll being taken the following voted for Mr. Caron:- Councillors Creaton, L. Lavin, Neary, Moran, Hughes, and McDermott.

The following voted for Mr. McDermott:- Councillors Gavin, Burke, Kelly, Mee, Murray, Quinn, and Ledwith.

The following voted for Mr. Gordon:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, Colgain, and Judge.

Mr. Gordon then dropped out and a second Poll was taken, the voting being as follows:- For Mr. Caron:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, Creaton, L. Lavin, Neary, Moran, Judge, Hughes, and McDermott. For Mr. McDermott:- Councillors Gavin, Burke.

Kelly, Mee, Murray, Gunn, and Ledwith.
Mr. Cavon was then declared elected by eight votes to seven.

Mr. Verney, Co. Surveyor, reported that Mr. Keenan's Hall in Elphin was suitable for the holding of District Courts.

Letter from Mr. Hans, V. S. stating that on the suspension of Mr. P. J. Reynolds, Sheep-Dipping Inspector he temporarily appointed Mr. Bryan Bernie at a salary of £2 per week and the following resolution was passed:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Beaonain,
Seconded by Councillor D. Creaton.
And Resolved:-
"That Bryan Bernie, temporary Dipping Inspector, be paid £10 as per Agreement with Mr. Hans."

Letter from Mr. M. J. Cassidy, District Court Clerk, Castlrea, asking to have improvements made in his office in the Courthouse, Castlrea, was submitted and the following order was made thereon:- "To be complied with."

Mr. Michael Finnegan, Ballymurry, handed in a Paying Order which he allowed to go out of date and asked the Council to issue a new one.
The following order was made thereon:- "To be re-authorised."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor P. Gavin.

And Resolved:-

"That we call upon the Department of Agriculture to take seriously in hand at once the question of Diseases in sheep and have the people instructed to take whatever precautionary measures are necessary to combat the disease.

The Department of Agriculture to be called upon to send a representative to the nesch Meeting of the County Committee of Agriculture."

Proposed by Councillor P. Gavin.
Seconded by Councillor P. Ledwith.

And Resolved:-

"That we, the Members of the Roscommon Co. Council, respectfully call the attention of the Government to the deplorable flooding at present existing along the Shannon Valley, especially from Athlone to Shannonbridge, and request them to send an Inspector at once on this Section with a view to commence a system of Drainage.

We are also of opinion that drainage should precede the laying down of machinery, to develop electrical power from the current. We further earnestly urge on them the necessity of expediting the work of the Land Commission as immediate relief could be given by migration to ~~many~~ many families who are now homeless and have lost the year's crops, and have the water laping through the windows of their houses, especially whre the Mather Estate is

available for division on those suffering from both Suck and Shannon from Clonmacnoise to Shannonbridge.

That copies of this resolution be sent to President Cosgrave, Mr. Hogan, Minister for Agriculture, and Mr. A. Lavin. T. D."

The Secretary submitted the lists of Applicants in each Rural District for Grants and Loans under the Housing Scheme as adopted by the Co. Council.
Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor Sean O' Colgain.
And Resolved:-

"That the Secretary of the Council send a list of the applicants for Housing Grants and Loans who have not received Government Certificates, to the Local Government Housing Department, asking if they are prepared to deal with those applicants as the Council can come to no decision in granting their Certificates until the Government Certificates are all in.

Copies of the L. G. Department's letter together with list of applicants be sent to each Councillor."

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor P. Gavin.
And Resolved:-

"That the Decrees for loss of sheep occasioned by the alleged neglect of Dipping Inspectors be referred to the Council's Solicitor, and his opinion be obtained as to whether the amounts of these Decrees may be deducted from the salaries of the Inspectors concerned."

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor P. Gavin.
And Resolved:-
"That the Department be requested by wire to allow Collector Mannion his poundage for the four half-years ended March, 1924."

Proposed by Councillor Edward Moran.
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Murray.
And Resolved:-
"That we ask the Minister for Local Government to sanction payment of poundage fees to ex-Collector Nicholas Kelly on the sum of £4830. 19. 5 Poor Rate collected and lodged by him for the years ended 31st March, 1921, 1922, 1923, and 1924."

Agreements between the following tenants in the Castlerea ex-Workhouse, and the County Council were signed by the Chairman:- Messrs John Jones, Patrick McMahon, and Michael Fetherstone.

(Signed) M O'Braonain
Chairman.
4. 2. '25

Minutes of Proceedings of Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on 4th February, 1925.

Mr. M. O'Braonain, Chairman, presided, and the following were in attendance:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, Colgain, Cox, Duggan, Burke, Mee, Neary, Moran and Mc Hugh.

Proposed by Councillor Edward Moran,
Seconded by Councillor P. O Duibgeannain
And Resolved:-
"That the Minutes of last Meetings be taken as read"

Proposed by Councillor Edward Moran,
Seconded by Councillor Sean O'Braonain
And Resolved:-
"That we, the Members of the Roscommon County Council tender to Mrs. Dickie our deepest sympathy on the death of her husband - Mr. E. Dickie - one of our Deputy Surveyors, and also to Mr. John Fleming on the death of his son"

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Neary,
Seconded by Councillor John Burke
And

And Resolved:-

"That we extend to Archbishop Mannix and Father M. O'Flanagan our deepest sympathy on the deaths of their mothers. That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the above-named Reverend gentlemen."

In connection with Circular No. G. 55189 of the 3rd. of December from the Local Government Ministry re Administrative Economy the following Reports were submitted:-

(Copy)

County Councils of Galway & Roscommon

Gentlemen,

By directions of our respective Councils we attended a Meeting held at the Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe, on the 21st. instant, when the Estimates for the coming financial year were considered. The Estimates for the coming year amounts to £43,735 as against £64,730 for the preceding year. The first point that struck us was that the Estimate included a sum of £130 credit interest which the

Asylum

Asylum Committee estimate they will receive in the coming year. It is understood that the interest allowed on Credit Balances is either 2 or 2½ o/o (per cent) so that the interest anticipated denotes credit balances equal to £5000 or £6000 for 12 months. At the same time both Councils have had to obtain sanctions to Overdrafts for which they have to pay, at least, 4½ o/o (per cent) and it seems bad business that Subsidiary Bodies should have money lying at 2 or 2½ o/o (per cent) for which the parent Bodies have to pay 4½ o/o (per cent)

It is not possible for anybody paying a casual visit to the Asylum to lay a finger on the definite items of expenditure in regard to which economy can be secured. It appears that the total expenditure works out at £55-5-7 per head of the inmates, which is at least as much as, if not more than the average ratepayer spends per annum on the maintenance and education of the son or daughter sent away to a Secondary School or College.

Included

Included in this item is £-4.13.6 per head for fuel and light. The whole Schedule is as follows:-

Salaries, wages & Superannuation.	£-18.19.2 per hd
Provisions & groceries.	15.18.0 " "
Wine, Spirits & Beer.	6.9 " "
Tobacco & snuff.	17.0 " "
Medicine & appliances.	5.0 " "
Clothing.	4.10.1 " "
Bedding.	1.11.3 " "
Furniture	19.9 " "
Fuel & Light	4.13.6 " "
Washing Materials.	16.9 " "
Water Supply	14.5 " "
Farm & Garden Expenses.	1.3.4 " "
Repairs & alterations	1.4.6 " "
Stationery, Printing & advertising	9.0 " "
Rent, Rates & Taxes Etc.	7.8 " "
Incidental expenses. Postage etc.,	9.5 " "
Repayment of Loans	1.19.7 " "

The per capita costage of clothing, bedding and fuel seems very high for an Institution catering for 1,481 inmates. If the policy of the Committee of Management is to continue upon the lines indicated by the actual expenditure of the last four years, no decrease in the charge upon the ratepayers can

can be looked for. It is therefore for the contributing bounty bouncils to consider whether they can by any means bring about an alteration in the Policy as it effects the finances of the Institution.

The bommittee under Article 9 (3) of the L. G. Act is subject to the general control of the bouncil as regards finance, and we are of the opinion that the only effective way that a bounty bouncil can exercise such general control over the Subsidiary Bodies is the institution of a system of financial rationing. We recommend the bounty bouncils of Galway and Roscommon to reduce the demand of the bommittee of management for the year ending March, 1926, to £65,000, being approximately £41,412 on the bounty of Galway and £23,588 on the bounty of Roscommon. We are unable to consider the estimated Balances in bolumn 3. of the Demand as it is quite clear from the audited Accounts that the estimated balances in last year's demand were quite

different

different from the realised balances on Audit.

It will not, however, effect any useful purpose if the bounty bouncils merely cut down the demand. Economy cannot be effected merely on official ~~(illegible)~~ forms the real work must be done in the coal, clothing and provision stores, in the supervision of the orders issued, and of the goods received and in making the stores go as far as possible. If the bounty bouncils decide to ration to £65,000 (and we believe the Institution can be efficiently run within this figure) it will be necessary for the bommittee of Management to pass this instruction on to their Principal Executive Officer, and direct him in turn to ration each Department of the Institution so that the total expenditure shall not exceed the limits defined by the bounty bouncils. The Chief Executive Officer of the Mental Hospital should get such full disciplinary powers from his bommittee

as

as will enable him to insist upon the limits defined by him for each Department being observed. We further recommend that if a limit is fixed by the bounty councils, joint notice should be served by them upon the Treasurer to the Mental Hospital so that the Treasurer's Account of the Joint Committee should not under any circumstances be allowed to be overdrawn without the written sanction of both councils.

Dated this 22nd Day of January. 1925

Your obedient Servants

(Sgd) P. J. Gillooly
Sec. Roscommon Co. Council

W. G. Fogarty
Asst. Sec. Galway Co. Council

The following order was made on above "Approved"

(Copy)

County Council Office
Courthouse
Roscommon
3rd February. 1925

A Cohoe

The Local Government Department in their Circular Letter G. 55189 of the 3rd December.

re administrative economy in preparing the Annual Estimates for the financial year commencing the 1st April, 1925, directed that all officers of Local Authorities should report to their respective Bodies on the economies which they propose to effect. Copies of the Circulars were forwarded to each Local Authority in the County, and that the suggestions contained therein have been carefully studied and acted upon is evidenced by the fact that with few exceptions, the Estimates of all Subsidiary Bodies, show substantial reductions from last year.

There are however two where increases are asked for. I give herewith Tabular Statement showing the figures for the year ending the 31st March next, and also for the financial year commencing 1st April, 1925:-

Administration

Name of District	1925	1926	Reduction
Athlone	£869	£1213	
Boyle	468	480	

Carrick

Name of District	1925	1926	Reduction
Barnicks	-	-	-
Castlerea	818	246	
Roscommon	3402	3090	
Roscommon Co. Board of Health Ballinasloe Mental Hospital	28980	22980	
	22000	25108	
	£ 56,834	£53114	£ 3,720

No estimate for general administration has been received from the District Council of Barnicks on Shannon No. 2.

You will observe that the amount required to administer the Rural District of Roscommon for the financial year commencing on the 1st April next exceeds the combined totals of the other Rural Districts by £1151.

Road Expenditure.

Name of District	1925	1926	Reduction
Athlone	£ 4,950	£ 4,884	
Boyle	6,816	6,309	
Barnicks	2,888	2,183	
Castlerea	14,356	13,495	
Roscommon	16,335	14,626	
	£ 45,345	£ 41,494	£ 3,848

I submit a joint copy of a Report submitted by the Secretary

Secretary of the Galway County Council and myself, as a result of a conference between the Counties of Galway and Roscommon at the Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe, on January 21st last. Your representatives of your Council attended viz. Mr. D. J. Kelly, V.C. of the Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe Mr. M. O'Braonain, Chairman of the County Council, Mr. Edward Moran, and Rev. B. J. Keane, Four Roads.

The question of staff organisation is particularly stressed in the Department's Circular, and directing the Council's attention to the making of any new appointments where existing posts can be combined.

No. 5 on the agenda for to-day's Meeting is a case in point. I give in full, extract from Circular which to my mind is the key to the entire situation:-

"Unless the burden of local "Taxation is brought more "closely into relation with "the present paying capacity

of

"of ratepayers a situation may
"arise where most extensive
"retrenchment may become
"imperative which with results
"which would impair very
"seriously some of the public
"services for which local
"authorities are responsible.

Mise, le meas.
(Sgd) P. J. Gillooly
Runaide.

The following order was made on above:- "Send copy to Local Government Department".

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor Sean O'Colgain.
And Resolved:-

"That the Report be adopted and that it be an instruction to the Committee of the Mental Hospital to direct their Chief Executive Officer to ration the various Departments of the Hospital within the general limitation of £65.000 now imposed, and to give their Chief Executive Officer such powers as will enable him to carry this instruction into effect. That we join with the Galway County Council in notifying the

the Treasurer of the Mental Hospital that the Bank Account must not be overdrawn without the written consent of the of the Chairman of the Finance Committee of both Councils."

The following motion was moved:-
Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Colgain
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran,
"That the County Surveyor's Estimate be adopted as regards Direct Labour."

The following Amendment was moved:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor P. Duignan,
"That the County Surveyor's Estimate be reduced by a sum of £424 for Direct Labour."

On a poll being taken the Amendment was carried by the casting vote of the Chairman
The following voted for the Amendment:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, M. O'Braonain, (Chairman) Duignan, Mee and Mc Hugh.
The following voted for the Motion:- Councillors:- Colgain, Cox, Burke Neary and Moran.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor P. Brugman
And Resolved:-
"That the County rates be made responsible for amounts of rates seized and taken by armed force from Rate Collectors."

The following correspondence from the Ministry of Local Government and Public Health was submitted:-

Letter No P.H. 55.445 asking the County Council to frame a suitable Tuberculosis Scheme for the County. Order made thereon:- "Adjourn"

Letter No. G. 52224 giving sanction to Miss Walsh's appointment on a temporary basis.

Letter No R. S/25 re salaries of clerks in the County Surveyor's Office.
Proposed by Co. M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Co. E. Moran.
And Resolved:-
"That the L.G. Department be requested to take into consideration the reasonable demand made in respect of increase of

of salary from Mr. Sean Mac Sinnead as he has eight years service in the office and is a very efficient clerk The Council would therefore be anxious to have sanction for the small increase granted".

Proposed by Co. M. O. Braonain
Seconded by Co. E. Moran.
And Resolved:-

"That the Ministry of Local Government be asked to sanction payment of poundage fees at the rate of 8d in the £ to Collectors O'Hara, Coleman and Devanny and Connor who have closed their Collections within four months from the date on which they received their Warants".

Proposed by Co. M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Co. Sean O'Colgain
And Resolved:-

"That we hereby request the Athlone Urban Council to make payment of the sums due to this Council out of the Bounties in lieu of rates on Government Property to date"

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The Meeting was then adjourned owing to the absence of a quorum.

(Signed) M O'Gorman

Chairman

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Minutes of Procedings of Quarterly Meeting of the Roscommon Co. Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Tuesday, 24th. February, 1925.

Mr. M. O' Braonain, presided and the following Members were in attendance:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, Colgain, Dugnan, Burke, Kelly, Murray, Gunn, Doogue, Moran, McHugh and Judge.

Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.
And Resolved:-
"That the Council place on record an espression of its deep regret on the death of its Chief Clerk - Mr. John Byrne - the oldest public Official in County Roscommon, who was for forty-four years an official in the public service, being a transfered Officer from the Grand Jury to the Co. Council.

A Copy of this resolution expressing the Council's sincere sympathy be sent to his widow, and the other Members of his family."

Proposed by Councillor Edward Moran.
Seconded by Councillor Sean O' Braonain.
And Resolved:-
"That the Minutes of last Meeting be taken as read."

The following correspondence from the Ministry of Local Government and Public Health was submitted:-

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Letter No. G. 59400 enclosing copy of letter addressed

to Collector William Fleming, Castlrea. Mr. Fleming's resignation was before the Co. Council. Order. "Accepted. Position to be advertised."

Letter No. P. 38415 asking the Council's views as to the action of two of their Members giving orders for the admission of families to Castlrea ex-Workhouse.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Brannain,
Seconded by Councillor William Judge,
And Resolved:-

That the Council's views of the action of Members of the Council in admitting certain persons to the Castlrea Workhouse is, that under the circumstances, which the Councillor concerned states was eviction, and that those people had no roof over their heads, that while we do not agree that under ordinary conditions such orders should be made, no blame can be attached to those concerned in the present cases."

Letter No. P. H. 510/1925. awaiting the Council's views on Miss Ryan's letter re the position of Public Analyst. Miss Ryan's resignation was before the County Council. Order:- "Position to be advertised at a salary of £145 per annum to include all work of Food and Drugs Inspectors and Local Authorities.

The Quarterly Report of the Public Analyst was submitted.

Letter No. L. G. 53483 suggesting to the Co. Council that the business of the Town Commissioners be transferred to the Commissioner appointed for the Co. Board of Health.

Proposed by Councillor D. T. Kelly.
Seconded by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
"That the Minister's letter re the transference of the work of the Roscommon Town Commissioners to a Commissioner be complied with."

The following Amendment was moved:-
Proposed by Councillor T. J. Colgan.
Seconded by Councillor P. T. Doogue.
"That the present arrangement re the work of Roscommon Town Commissioners be continued."
A Poll was then taken and the Amendment was carried by 6 votes to 4.
The following voted for the Amendment:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, Colgan, Murray, Doogue, Moran and Judge.
The following voted against:- Councillors M. O'Braonain, Dungian, Kelly & McHugh.

Letter No. G. 58875 giving sanction to Mr. Wm. Cavan's appointment as Rate Collector.
Letter No. P. H. 569/103 asking the Co. Council to fix a definite date by which Certificates under the Housing Scheme should be lodged. The following order was made:- "Special Meeting "of Council on Monday, 16th. March, to deal "with the Housing Act applications, appoint "Rate Collector for Fleming's vacancy, appoint "District Surveyor for Castlrea District."
Letter No. G. 4764 re Courthouse accommodation at Ballyfarnon. Order:- "Accommodation to be advertised for."
Letter No. L. R. 104 re alterations in the Telegraph Plant

rendered necessary by Road Improvement Schemes.

Order:- "Agreed."

General Circular of the 15th. January, 1925, and letter No. G. 5678 re the backward state of the Rate Collection in the County.

The Secretary submitted Rate Return showing that a sum of £77.072 still remains uncollected in respect of the year ending 31st March, 1925.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Brannain,
Seconded by Councillor P. Dugnan.

And Resolved:-

"That all Rate Collectors, unless specially excepted, be automatically suspended on the 6th. April if their Accounts up to the end of March, 1925, have not been closed and amounts lodged by that date - 6th. April - and any Collector who has not on date of Special Meeting on the 16th. March, a sum equal to 25% of the amount presently outstanding, lodged into the Council's Account, will on that date, be suspended."

Collector William Caron has taken up duty in ex-Collector M. Kelly's District. The Books for the year ending 31st March, 1925. are not handed to this Collector pending the collection of the rates outstanding for previous years.

Mr James Cox reported on Form 62 that Collector T. Lane stated he was robbed of £112.18.8 on his way to Boyle to attend Checker on the 18th. instant. The appointed day for checking was the 16th. instant.

Proposed by Councillor P. Dunphian,
Seconded by Councillor P. Doogue.
And Resolved:-

"That Collector Lane be held responsible for money alleged to be forcibly taken off him on the 18th. February near Boyle amounting to £112-18-8.

Proposed by Councillor Sean O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Edward Moran.
And Resolved:-

"That we ask the Minister for Local Government to allow us to strike out as irrecoverable the arrears of rates outstanding in the Collection Districts of Paul Egan and Patrick Beirne amounting to £36-2-5 and £14-19-3 respectively, as we consider it most unfair to ask them to go through the usual channel - Form 58- to get a refund of this money.

We wish to point out to the Minister that these sums are balances of arrears due by former Collectors for the year ended 31st March, 1922. and every effort was made by the present Collectors to get it. Part of it was collected by the R. I. C. Police in 1921 and 1922 but was never lodged to the credit of the Council. Copies of the Declarations made by the present Collectors be forwarded to the Minister with this resolution."

Letter No. P. 2617 enclosing Order under Seal determining pension of Miss Annie Flanagan, ex-School-Teacher in Castlerea Workhouse at £62-3-2 a year.

Letter enclosing Auditors Reports on the Accounts of

Local Authorities.

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Mr. E. Moran was ordered to be complied with :-

(Copy.)

"That the attendance of Members of this Council during its term of Office be submitted to the Council at "Special Meeting to be held on the 16th. March."

(Signed) Edward Moran.

The following Notices of Motion in the name of Councillor P. J. Neary were Adjourned :-

(Copy).

"That all Place Names and names of Streets in Towns "in County Roscommon presently bearing Anti - Irish "Names be changed and orignal or Irish Names be "adopted and that this work be entrusted to the Gaelic "League."

(Signed) P. J. Neary.

(Copy.)

"That this Council adopt the Carnegie Library "Scheme."

(Signed) P. J. Neary.

The Co. Surveyor submitted his Report for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1924 (Copy herewith).

Proposed by Councillor Sean De Burca.
Seconded by Councillor D. T. Kelly.
And Resolved:-
"That the Co. Surveyor's Report be adopted."

The following Report of the Roads Committee was submitted:-

(Copy).

Report of the Co. Surveyor to the Roads Committee to be held on the 24th. February, 1925. (Copy herewith).

(Copy).

Gentlemen Present:- Councillors T. T. Colgan, M. O'Braonain, S. O' Braonain, and E. Moran.

The Roads Committee recommend the Co. Surveyor's suggestion that the appointment of District Surveyor for the Castlrea vacancy, be a whole time position, and that in order to have better supervision of road work in the County, the Co. Surveyor re-adjust the existing Districts and the Council then declare all the District Surveyors to be whole time officers.

The Co. Surveyor to further prepare a Scheme setting out in detail the work, duties and responsibilities of each District Surveyor and have same in readiness for the Council at next Meeting.

The following order was made on above "Adopted".

The Committee had before it what it considered a very serious complaint by the Co. Surveyor against District Surveyor McDonagh, and as Mr. McDonagh who was requested by the Co. Surveyor to be in attendance at the Roads Committee Meeting to-day, did not put in an appearance, the Committee

would, if it came to any decision, be obliged to recommend his immediate dismissal, but as his failure to attend or offer an explanation may be due to some cause over which he had no control, the Roads Committee has left the matter an open question for the Council.

Mr. McDonagh's explanation offered at Council Meeting V and matter ended.

(Signed) M. O' Braonain,
Sean O' Colgain,
Sean O' Braonain,
Edward Moran.

Proposed by Councillor Sean O' Colgain,
Seconded by Councillor M. Gunn,
And Resolved:-

"That an appointment of District Surveyor for Castlerea District be made at a salary of £200 per annum and £150 travelling expenses. His duties to be that of a wholetime officer. The appointment (subject to sanction) to be made at the nesch Meeting of the Council - 16th March.

Forms 20 from the Proposal Committee and Rural District Councils were submitted:-
Proposed by Councillor P. O' Duibgeannain,
Seconded by Councillor P. Doogue.
And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals for New Works and Maintenance Works formulated by the several Rural District Councils and the Proposal Committee and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved, except the following Nos:-

which were rejected, viz:-

Athlone No. 2.	Nos. 7, 8 & 21.
Boyle No. 1.	Nos. 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 30.
Castlerea	Nos. 336, 344, 401, and 426.
Roscommon	Nos. 407, 421, 424, 425, 437, 456, and 472.

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 P. Doogue.
Seconded by Councillor P. O'Duibgeannain.
And Resolved:-

"That the Statutory Limit of Road Expenditure for the year ending 31st. March, 1926. be increased in the Rural Districts of the County as follows:-

Athlone No. 2.	To.	£4. 602.
Boyle No. 1.	"	5. 908
Carrick No. 2.	"	2. 101
Castlerea	"	12. 875.
Roscommon.	"	14. 077.

The Proposals for Payments were submitted and the following resolution passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor P. O'Duibgeannain.
Seconded by Councillor P. Doogue.
And Resolved:-

"That the Proposals for Payments as set out on Forms 22 from the several Rural District Councils and the Proposal Committee of the County Council for the Quarter ended 31st. December, 1924. and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved, and that the Treasurer's Authority

be signed."

Mr. D. F. Hannon, Co. Solicitor. submitted his Bill of Costs for opposing Claims for Malicious Injuries. Order:- "Mr. McSherry to appear for Council before Taxing Master."

Letter from the R. M. S. Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe. enclosing copies of resolutions passed by the Committee of Management re reduction of Estimate and appointment of Financial Secretary.

Proposed by Councillor P. Dugnan.
Seconded by Councillor P. Doogue.
And Resolved:-
"That this Council ask the Local Government Department to have a Special Report from their Auditor on the Management of the Ballinasloe Asylum, and the suggestion to have a Financial Escperk appointed to the Institution. In anticipation of such Report the Council will make no suggestion."

The following Scheme (Copy herewith) for the sale of the Artizans' Dwellings to the occupying tenants was submitted. These houses are the property of the esc- Town Commissioners.
Proposed by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor P. Dugnan.
And Resolved:-
That the Council approves of the proposal of the Tenants in the Artizans Dwellings, Roscommon, to purchase their Dwellings

and would be anxious to have their terms adopted."

Mr. C. C. Dignan wrote asking the County Council to procure a few of the Minimax Fire Extinguishers for the Courthouse.

Mrs. S. J. Kelly, Frenchpark, in whose house the District Courts are being held, enclosed Agreement for Signature. Order:- "Give six months notice."

Proposed by Councillor P. Doogue.
Seconded by Councillor P. Dugnan.
And Resolved:-
"That the Sub-Sheriff, Mr. Dignan, be informed that a complaint has been made at the Council Meeting to-day that unauthorised people, use portions of the Boyle Courthouse for entertainments &c. and that such gatherings are a constant source of danger to the property of the ratepayers and he make enquiries and report to next Meeting of the Council."

Reports on patients under Treatment in Roscommon Sanatorium were submitted.

Proposed by Councillor P. Doogue.
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.
And Resolved:-
"That the lists of uncollected rates returned by the Ministry for Local Government be again forwarded to them for their consideration as none of the items claimed come under Section 16 of the Increase of Rent and Mortgage

Interest (Restrictions) Act, 1923."

Proposed by Councillor Sean O' Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor T. T. Colgain,
And Resolved:-

"That Collector James Connaughton who lodged the full amount of his Warrant for the half-year ended the 30th. September 1924, within five months from the date on which he received his Warrant be paid poundage at the rate of 8d in the £ subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government."

Letter from Mr. John Crean, Sheep Dipping Inspector, was submitted and marked "Refused."

A Letter from the Sinnarth Press, Dundee, asking the Council to give their official sanction to issue a County Guide was submitted. Order "Approved."

Letter from the Avoca Mining Co. asking the Co. Council to refund the rates paid during the time the Mines were out of their possession, was submitted. Order "Refused."

Letters from the owners of the papers in the County asking to be paid at the rate of 6d per line were submitted.- Order "Only three pence to be paid. To apply to all papers."

Letter from Mr. P. Doogue, Co. Councillor, Boyle, asking to have some slight repair carried out to the roof of Boyle Workhouse, was submitted. Order.

"To be done."

Letter from the Caretaker of the esc-Workhouse, Strokestown, asking to have locks procured. Order "To be procured."

Letter from Mr. P. J. Neilan, State Solicitor, Roscommon asking the Council to pay two Malicious Injury Claims was submitted. Order:- "Cannot be complied with."

Letter from Mr. Thomas Nevin, Racecourse Road, Roscommon, asking the Council to sell him the field which he at present holds from the Council under grazing Agreement, was submitted. Order. Secretary to find out particulars as to price paid orginally &c, and if the L. G. D. agree to sale, same be agreed to by the County Council.

Letter from the Cumann na Gaedheal asking the County Council to take advantage of the Rates on Agricultural Land Act, 1924, was submitted and marked. "Read."

The following Notice of Motion was handed in:-
(Copy.)

"Take Notice that I, or some other Member, on my "behalf, will move at the nesch Meeting of the County "Council that Mr. John Kilmartin, be promoted to "fill the position of Chief Clerk rendered vacant by "the death of Mr. Byrne."

(Signed) Martin O' Gunn. C. C.

The following dates were fixed for the Quarterly Meeting of the Rural District Councils, the Proposal Committee, and the Co. Council:-

Roscommon.	Thursday 9th April 1925.	10 o'clock. a.m.
Boyle	Saturday 11th " "	do
Carrick	Thursday 16th " "	do
Castlrea	Saturday 18th " "	do
Athlone	Saturday 25th " "	do

Proposal Committee

Roscommon.	Wednesday 29th April 1925.	11.30 o'clock a.m.

County Council.

Roscommon:	Wednesday 20th May. 1925.	11.30 o'clock. a.m.

M O'Gara 20.5.'25
(Signed)
Chairman.

Minutes of Proceedings of Special Meeting of the Roscommon Co. Council held on Monday, 16th. March. 1925.

Mr. M. O' Braonain, Chairman, presided, and the following Members were in attendance:- Councillors S. O' Braonain, Colgain, Cosc, Dugnian, Gavin, Burke, Greene, Kelly, Mee, A. Lavin, L. Lavin, Neary, Murray, Quinn, Doogue, Moran, McHugh, Judge, O'Neill, Hughes, and Ledwith.

Applications for the vacant Collectorship in the Castlrea Rural District were received from the following:- Messrs John Crawley, John J. Moran, A. J. McBrann, Jas. McDonnell, Patrick Connolly.
Proposed by Councillor E. Moran.
Seconded by Councillor Wm. Judge.
"That Mr. John Crawley be appointed Rate Collector for the Castlrea No. 2. District".

Proposed by Councillor P. McHugh.
Seconded by Councillor Sean O' Braonain.
"That Mr. John Moran be appointed Rate Collector for the Castlrea No. 2 Collection District."

Proposed by Councillor A. O' Lainin.
Seconded by Councillor P. Doogue.
"That Mr. A. McBrann be appointed Rate Collector for the Castlrea No. 2 Collection District."

Proposed by Councillor Sean Burke.
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly.

"That Mr. Jas. McDermott be appointed Rate Collector for Castlrea No. 2 Collection Distruct".

The following voted for Mr. Crawley:- Councillors Moran, Judge, O'Neill.

The following voted for Mr. McDermott:- Councillors Burke. Greene. Kelly, Mee, Murray and Quinn.

The following voted for Mr. Moran:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, and McHugh.

The following voted for Mr. McGrann:- Councillors Cox. Duignan. Gavin. A. Lavin. J. Lavin. Neary. Doogue. and Ledwith.

Messrs Crawley and Moran being the lowest were then eliminated and a further poll was taken between Messrs. Mc. Dermott and Mc. Cann and the voting was as follows:-

For Mr. Mc. Dermott:- Councillors Burke, Greene, Kelly, Mee, Murray Quinn and Mc. Hugh.

For Mr. Mc. Cann:- Councillors Cox, Duignan, Gavin, A. Lavin, J. Lavin, Neary, Doogue, Judge O'Neill, Hughes and Ledwith.

Mr. Mc. Cann was then declared elected by 11 votes to 4 for Mr. Mc. Dermott

Applications from the following for the position of Public

Public Analyst were received:-
Miss Phyllis Ryan, 91 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin; Mr. Wm. Thorpe, 194 Gt. Brunswick St. Dublin; Mr. D. J. O'Mahony Eglington St. Cork, and Mr. Charles Mc. Mullan, 4 William St. South, Belfast. The following resolution was passed:-
Proposed by Councillor John Cox.
Seconded by Councillor P. Gavin.
And Resolved:-
"That the Local Government Department be asked to sanction the appointment of Miss Phyllis Ryan as Public Analyst at a salary of £45 per annum as per advertisement plus her further demand of 4/6 per sample as her application is the lowest and the works being of such importance cannot afford to be deferred."

The question of appointing a junior clerk to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. John Byrne on the Council's staff was adjourned to next Meeting.

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name

name of Councillor Maurtin O'Quinn was moved:-

(Copy)

"Take Notice that I, or some other Member on my behalf, will move at the next Meeting of the County Council that Mr. John Kilmartin be promoted to fill the position of Chief Clerk rendered vacant by the death of Mr. Byrne.

(Signed) Maurtin O'Quinn"

Proposed by Councillor M. Quinn
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Neary.
And Resolved:-

"That Mr. John Kilmartin be promoted to the vacant position of Chief Clerk Mr. Kilmartin's salary to be on the same basis as Mr. Banahan's from the 1st of April next."

A letter was read from the County Surveyor asking the Council to extend the appointment of Mr. James Ryan Road Overseer, for a further period of three months. The Ministry of Local Government in their letter No. R.M. 25 to the

County

County Surveyor stated that the duties formerly discharged by Mr. Ryan could now be performed by the Survey Staff. The following resolution was passed

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor Tom O'Neill
And Resolved:-

"That the Local Government Department be asked to extend the appointment of Mr. J. Ryan, Road Overseer, as we consider his technical knowledge as a skilled mechanic is invaluable and an eventual saving to the rates in looking after the Council's machinery which consists of 4 Traction Engines 2 Stationery Engines, 4 Road Rollers and 6 Crushers."

The Secretary submitted Letter No. R.S. 25 from the Ministry of Local Government enclosing Map on which the County Surveyor is to mark the areas (a) as at present divided between five Surveyors, and (b) as between four Surveyors. The County Surveyor marked on the Map as required by (a) and the following

following resolution was passed:-
Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Colgan
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran,
And Resolved:-
"That after fully considering the County Surveyor's explanations and estimates for extra travelling expenses if four instead of five Assistant Surveyors have to do the work in the County, the Council adheres to the previous decision that it is necessary to appoint a successor to Mr. Dickie in the Castlerea District. The County Surveyor to make a full report of extra mileage etc. to the Local Government Department."

The following letter was received from the County Surveyor re travelling expenses

(Copy)
County Surveyor's Office
Courthouse
Roscommon
16th March, 1923

The Secretary,
Roscommon County Council
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The present travelling expenses which are allowed me £100 per annum, I find quite inadequate and I wish to make application to be put on a mileage basis as per the Local Government Department's Circular Letter R.106 of the 26th August, 1924.

I would be glad if you would bring this before the Council at to-day's Meeting to ascertain their views on it.

Mise le meas.

(Sgd) Michael Hennessy

The following order was made on above "Adjourned for next Meeting".

The Estimate for Rates for General and Separate Charges for the year ending 31st March, 1925, was submitted by the Secretary:-

Estimate

Summary of Rates for General Charges

Rural District	In respect of	Other hereditaments than Land	Agric. Grant	Land
		s d	d	d
Athlone No. 2	Board of Health	1. 3	0. 8	0. 4
	Other Co. Charges	2. 8 3/8	0. 3 3/8	2. 5
	District Charges	2. 6 5/8	0. 5 3/4	2. 1
	Total for year	6. 6	1. 5 1/8	5. 1
Boyle No. 1	Board of Health	1. 3	8	4
	Other Co. Charges	2. 8 3/8	3 3/8	2. 5
	District do.	2. 6 5/8	4	2. 0
	Total for year	6. 6	1. 6 3/8	5. 0
Carrick No. 2.	Board of Health	1. 3	8	4
	Other Co. Charges	2. 8 3/8	3 3/8	2. 5
	District do	1. 8 5/8	4	1. 1
	Total for year	5. 8	1. 6 3/8	4. 1
Castlerea	Board of Health	1. 3	8	4
	Other Co. Charges	2. 8 3/8	3 3/8	2. 5
	District do	3. 3 5/8	5 1/4	2. 10
	Total for year	7. 3	1. 4 5/8	5. 10
Roscommon	Board of Health	1. 3	8	4
	Other Co. Charges	2. 8 3/8	3 3/8	2. 5
	District	2. 9 5/8	5 5/8	2. 4
	Total for year	6. 9	1. 4 3/4	5. 4

Summary of Rates for Separate Charges

Total for Year | 6. 9 | 1. 4¾ | 5. 4

Summary of Rates for Separate Charges.

No. in Separate Charges Register (1)	Rural District (2)	Name of Charge (3)	Area liable (4)	Amt. to be raised (5)	Rate in the £ (6)
1	Athlone No. 2	Suck Drainage	Catchment Area	£59	1
1		Athlone D. D. Sanitary	Athlone No. 2 Dis. District		Nil
2		Brideswell " "	Brideswell " "		Nil
3		Kiltoom " "	Kiltoom " "		Nil
146		Road Rate	Whole Rural District	£1100	6d
150		Ex-Union Liabilities	do		2d
		do	Creagh Dispensary do.	£400	9d
153		(formerly R. D. of Ballinasloe No. 2) Mather's Injuries	Townlands of Dolanstown (Kilcashel) Liberty & Toberiheen (for 3 years)	£24	2.4
1	Boyle No. 1	Town Sanitary	Boyle Urban E. D.	£160	8d
39		Ballinamore Navigation	Whole R. D. except E. D's of Kilcolagh, Kilmacumsey, Mantua & Lisgarve and part of adjoining ~~Townlands~~ Divisions		
146		Road Rate	Whole Rural District	£1130	6d
147		Ex-Union Liabilities	do		1½
154		Harrington's Injury	do	£17	¼
155		Sharkey's "	Townlands of Cloonacarrow & Kingsland	£11¼	6½
				Carrick	

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
39	Carrick	Ballinamore Navigation	Whole R.D. except E.Ds of Cloonteem, Aughrim East, Creeve and Kilmore and part of adjoining Divisions	nil	nil
146		Road Rate	Whole Rural District	£559	6d
151		Ex. Union Liabilities	do	521	6d
1	Castlerea	Suck Drainage	Catchment area	£128	1d
1		Ballaghaderreen Sanitary	Townland of Ballaghaderreen	–	nil
2		Castlerea do	Castlerea Townland & Railway Co's Station & yard in Townland of Longford valued at £245	£422	3/2d
3		Ballaghaderreen Light	Ballaghaderreen townland and portions of townlands of Friar Hill, Kilcolman, Knockanaconny & Lung	£128	1/=
4		Castlerea Light	Townland of Castlerea	£60	/6d
5		Loughglynn Sanitary	Ballaghaderreen Dispensary District	–	nil
6		Ballinlough	Castlerea " "	–	nil
7		Lisacul Telegraph	Artagh North Division	–	nil
8		Frenchpark Sewerage	Frenchpark D. Division	£186	2¼
9		do Water	Whole Rural District	£46	¼
10		Fairymount Telegraph	Fairymount Division	nil	—
146		Road Rate	Whole Rural District	£1923	6d
148		Ex. Union Liabilities	do	£543	1¾

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1	Roscommon	Sucks Drainage District Separate Charges.	Catchment Area	L-110	1 d
1			Whole Rural District	-	nil
2a cb.		Town Sanitary	Ardnanagh, Ballypheason, Cloonbracknа, in E. Dis of Roscommon Rural Urban	L-365	2/-
			The remainder of Roscommon Rural District.	L-33	1 d
			The other Divisions in the District than the two named above.	L-56	¼ d
3a cb.		Athleague & Tibarney Sanitary.	Athleague Dispensary District	-	nil
4		Moneymore Water Supply	Roscommon " "	-	nil
5		Ballinaboy " "	Ballyleague " "	-	nil
6		Strokestown Town Sanitary	Cloonradoon, Farnbeg, Kildaloge, Lisroyan & Vesnoy Townlands.	L-220	1/9
7		" Dispensary District	Strokestown Dispensary District	L-100	nil
8		Elphin " "	Elphin do do	-	nil
9		Rooskey	Rooskey do do	-	nil
146		Road Rate	Whole Rural District	L-2922	6 d
149		Ex-Union Liabilities	do	L-1400	3 d
156		Cattle Injuries	do	L-73	¼ d
157		Banahans "	Killbride North E. D.	L-26	2 d
158		Dolans "	Athleague West E. D.	L-22	1¾ d
159		Rorkes "	Former Strokestown R. D.	L-108	½ d

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Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Heavy.
And Resolved:-
"That the Estimate of Rates for the year ending 31st March 1926, for the General and Separate Charges approved of by the Finance Committee and submitted to us at our meeting held this day be adopted."

The Secretary submitted a Deed of Mortgage on the County rates for £2000 Loan to steam-roll the streets of Boyle. The Instrument was signed by the Chairman and Mr. Doogue and the Council's Seal affixed thereto. The following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor P. Doogue.
And Resolved:- "That pursuant to the letter of sanction from the Local Government Ministry dated the 20th February, 1925, the sum of £2000 be borrowed from the National Bank, Ltd. Roscommon for the purposes therein mentioned to be repaid by instalments within five years with Interest at one-half per cent under the Irish Banks rate from time to time

time rising or falling therewith subject to a minimum rate of 4 per cent per annum."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor A. O'Lainnin,
And Resolved:-
"That the Council's Treasurer, the National Bank, Ltd, Roscommon, be asked for a loan of £1,800 to meet the requirements of the Housing Scheme as already sanctioned by the Local Government Ministry. The Loan to be repaid by instalments within fifteen years with Interest at 4½ per cent under the Irish Bank's rate from time to time rising or falling ~~therewith~~ therewith subject to a minimum rate of 4 per cent per annum."

The Report of the University Committee on University Scholarships and Scholarships from Primary Schools to Secondary Schools was submitted and the following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Colgain
Seconded by Councillor John Cox,
And Resolved:-
"That we hereby approve

approve of the Report of the University Committee."

Copy of Resolution from the Committee of Management of the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital asking the Councils of Galway and Roscommon to guarantee an Overdraft of £10,000 to the Councils Treasurer was marked "Adopted" Council to guarantee Overdraft."

Mr. P. Deegan applied for permission to use a room in the ex-Workhouse, Boyle, on Easter Monday night. The following order was made thereon:- "The Boyle Gaelic Football and Hurling Club be permitted to hold a Dance in the ex-Workhouse, Boyle, on Easter Monday night, 1925."

Arising out of a discussion re stoppage of Grants for defaulting land purchase annuitants, the following resolution was passed thereon:- Proposed by Councillor P. Duignan Seconded by Councillor John Bosc. And Resolved:-

"That

"That the Government be asked if the Sheriff of Roscommon has attempted to make seizures in all cases where Decrees for non-payment of annuities to the Land Commission have been obtained."

Applications for payments of fees due for Motor Tax Collection was submitted by the Secretary. The following order was made thereon:- "To be paid out of Subsidiary Account."

The Secretary as directed by Letter No. G. 28109 from the Ministry of Local Government of the 3rd June, 1924, submitted Agreement prepared by the County Solicitor on the Council's behalf as between the Council and their Secretary. The Agreement was duly signed and perfected and the Council's Seal affixed.

(Signed) Mo Laonáin
Chairman
20.5.'25

Minutes of Proceedings of Special Meeting of the Roscommon County Council, held on Wednesday 15th April, 1925.

Councillor M. O'Braonain, Chairman, presided, and the following were in attendance:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, Colgain, Cox, Creaton, Duignan, Burke, Greene, Kelly, Mee, Murray, Ward, Quinn, Doogue, Moran, McHugh, Judge, O'Neill, Owens and ~~[illegible]~~, McDermott.

The following correspondence from the Ministry of Local Government and Public Health was submitted:-

Letter No. G. 13196 refusing to sanction Mr. Alfred McCrann's appointment as Rate Collector for the No. 3. Collection District in the Castlerea Rural District.

The following Notice of Motion was moved:-

(Copy)

"Take Notice that I, or some other "County Councillor on my behalf "will move at the Special Meeting "of the County Council to be held "on Wednesday, 15th day of April, "1925, that Nos. 3 and 4 Collections in

in the Castlerea Rural District be altered so as to read as follows: "No 3. Ballinlough, Boolougher and Killullagh, and No. 4. Baslick Castleteeheen and Castlerea"

(Signed) M. O'Braonain

The following Motion was moved by Mr. O'Braonain:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor P. Doogue.

"That No 3 Collection District in the Castlerea area now read Ballinlough, Boolougher, and Killullagh and No 4 Baslick Castlerea and Castleteeheen"

The following was moved by Mr. Moran:-

Proposed by Councillor E. Moran,
Seconded by Councillor P. Mc Hugh.

"That the Castlerea Collection Districts remain as they are."

On a poll being taken Mr. O'Braonain's Motion was carried by 9 votes to 4
The voting was as follows:-
For Mr. O'Braonain's Motion:- Councillors S. O'Braonain, M. O'Braonain, Colgan Duignan, Kelly, Mee, Ward, Doogue and Judge.
For Mr. Moran's Motion:- Councillors

Creaton

Creaton, Burke, Greene, Murray, Quinn, Moran and Mc Hugh.
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor R. Doogue.
And Resolved:-
"That No. 3 Collection District in the Castlerea area now read Ballinlough, Coolaughor and Kiltullagh and No. 4 read Baslick, Castlerea & Castleteeheen"

Applications were received from the following for the vacant Collectorship in the Castlerea Rural District:- Messrs. John Crawley, Hugh Flanagan & James McDermott.
Proposed by Councillor E. Moran
Seconded by Councillor P. McHugh.
"That John Crawley be appointed Rate Collector for the Castlerea No. 3 Collection District."
Proposed by Councillor Sean De Burca.
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
"That James McDermott be appointed Rate Collector for the Castlerea No. 3 Collection District."

A Poll was then taken and Mr. Crawley was elected by 10 votes to 4.
The following voted for Mr. Crawley:-
Councillors

Councillors S. O. Braonain, Cox, Creaton, Duignan, Ward, Doogue, Moran, Mc Hugh, Judge & O. Neill.

The following voted for Mr. Mc Dermott:- Councillors Colgain, Burke, Greene, Kelly, Mee, Murray and Quinn.

Proposed by Councillor E. Moran
Seconded by Councillor P. Mc Hugh,
And Resolved:-
"That John Crawley be appointed Rate Collector for the Castlerea No. 3 Collection District."

Circular Letter No. Y.14,590 fixing the date of the County Council Elections for the 23rd June, 1925.

Letter No. R.S/25 sanctioning the Council's proposal to appoint an Assistant County Surveyor for the Castlerea Rural District

Applications for the above position were received from the following:- Messrs. James Flanagan, Tons. Mile House, Roscommon; J. J. Mc Kiernan, Moyeullen, Co. Galway; James J. Rocks, Castlerea; Owen L. D. Gill, Tattheen House, Co. Tipperary; George A. Byrne, 34 Dunbar St. Corks, and

Martin

and Martin J. Conroy, Fort Augustus, Baslena.
Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca,
"That Mr. James Flanagan
be appointed Assistant Surveyor in
room of Mr. Dickie (deceased).

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Judge,
Seconded by Councillor Edward Moran,
"That Martin Joseph Conroy
be appointed Assistant Surveyor
in room of Mr. Dickie (deceased)"

On a poll being taken
Mr. Flanagan was elected by
12 votes to 4.
The following voted for
Mr. Flanagan:- Councillors S. O'Braonain
M. O'Braonain, Colgain, Cox, Duggan,
Burke, Greene, Kelly, Mac. Murray,
Quinn and O'Neill.

The following voted for Mr. Conroy:-
Councillors Keaton, Moran, Mc Hugh
and Judge.
Proposed by Councillor Sean O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca,
And Resolved:-
"That James Flanagan
be appointed Assistant Surveyor in
room of Mr. Dickie (deceased)"

Circular

Circular Letter No. L.R/93 re charges for rent of Petrol Pumps erected in the County.
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
And Resolved:-
"That a rent of Three Pounds per annum be fixed on all petrol pumps erected on the public thoroughfares in the County"

Letter No. G.15968 sanctioning the continuance of the Council's Overdraft to day of Meeting viz. the 15th April.
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor M. Ward.
And Resolved:-
"That a further extension of Overdraft not exceeding Twenty-Thousand Pounds (£20.000) be asked for up to the 30th June"

Letter from the Irish Land Commission enclosing list of Land Purchase Annuitants in the County was submitted and the following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
And

And Resolved:-
"That the names of the defaulting Annuitants in the bounty be published if the bounty Solicitor advises there is no question of law involved"

Letter from the Office of Public Works. Dublin, enclosing copy of the Drainage Maintenance Act of 1924, was submitted, and stating that the Minister for Finance had authorised them to expend £6000 in the Elphin District. Order:- "Refer to Co. Surveyor for Report for next Meeting."

A letter of which the following is a copy was received from the bounty Surveyor:-

(Copy)
County Surveyor's Office.
Courthouse
Roscommon
16th March, 1925.

The Secretary,
Roscommon County Council.

A Chas

The present travelling expenses which are allowed me £100 per annum - I find quite inadequate

inadequate, and I wish to make application to be put on a mileage basis as per the Local Government Department's Circular Letter R.106 of the 26th August, 1924.

I would be glad if you would bring this before the Council at to-day's Meeting to ascertain their views on it:-

Mise, le meas.

(Sgd) Michael Verney.
Co. Surveyor

Proposed by Councillor E. Moran,
Seconded by Councillor M. Ward,
And Resolved:-

"That instead of the bulk sum of £100 allowed to the County Surveyor for travelling expenses, he to be paid at the ordinary mileage rate as laid down in the Ministry's Circular R.106 of the 26th August, 1924."

The Secretary submitted Rate Return showing the state of the Rate Collection up to the 14th April and informed the Council that it was quite obvious that some of the Collectors were not doing their duty when outstanding rates amounted to £47.218-7-4. The following resolution was

was passed:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor P. Deegan.
And Resolved:-
"That Collectors
John Mc Dermott, H. Rogers, Michl. Kelly,
W. Dolan, M. Geraghty and P. Egan be
warned that unless they have at
least the full three-fourths of
their warrants lodged by the next
Meeting on the 29th April, their
services will be dispensed with
and arrangements made for
Collection."

Proposed by Councillor Edward Moran.
Seconded by Councillor William Judge.
And Resolved:-
"That the Minister
for Local Government be asked to
sanction payment of poundage
at the rate of 8d in the £ to Collector
James Connor for the half-years ended
the 31st March 1925, and 2d in the £
extra for the half-years ended
31st March 1921 and 1922, he being
already paid at 6d in the £ for
the two latter half-years. As Mr.
Connor is an exceptionally good
Collector we trust the Minister
will sanction our proposal."

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor E. Moran,
Seconded by Councillor P. Doohey.
And Resolved:-
"That we ask the Minister for Local Government to sanction payment of poundage at the rate of 8d in the £ to Collector Owen Donlon who has lodged both moieties for the year ended 31st March, 1925, and to Malachy Murray who has closed his first moiety for the half-year ended 30th September, 1924.
Donlon lodged both moieties inside seven months."

The Secretary reported that Collector Martin Geraghty alleged he was robbed of £1451-5-4 the result one week's collection and the following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor P. Doohey.
Seconded by Councillor P. Murray.
And Resolved:-
"That Collector Martin Geraghty be held responsible for the sum of £1451-5-4 alleged to have been forcibly taken from him."

The Secretary reported that Collector John Lane was arrested by

by the Authorities for embezzling the sum of £112.18.8 which he stated he was robbed of. As there was no evidence and informations were refused the Secretary is handing the Collector back his books."

Letter from the Irish Land Commission stating that they were prepared to hand over a plantation in the townland of Willsgrove to the County Council with a view to preservation:- Order "Ask for terms."

The Secretary informed the County Council that it was imperative that a junior clerk should be appointed in the office as it was impossible to perform the duties without such assistance. Proposed by Councillor E. Moran. Seconded by Councillor P. Keogue. And Resolved:-

"That on the application of the Secretary the Local Government Department be asked to agree to the appointment of a junior male clerk at a salary of £120 a year subject to the Local Government Department's sanction as to qualifications and fitness for the position.

Preference

Preference to be given for previous office experience."

Letter from Mr. Martin Rafferty, Roscommon, enclosing out-of-date Paying Order was submitted and the following resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed by Councillor T. Doogue,
Seconded by Councillor Michl. Ward.
And Resolved:-
"That Paying Order No. 934, Capital Account, George Murphy, now out-of-date be re-authorised."

Letter of which the following is a copy was received from Dr. T. G. Dillon, 29 Rathgar Rd. Dublin:-

(Copy)

29 Rathgar Road,
Dublin,
9th April, 1925.

To
The Presiding Chairman of the
Roscommon County Council

Sir,

I wish to bring before you the notice of the County Council the unjust manner in which I have been treated regarding my

my superannuation as late Medical Officer of the Ardleague Dispensary District. I had 30 years service and my salary and emoluments were, as Medical Officer £190, Sanitary Officer £25, and Vaccination £10. Total £225.

I am entitled to two thirds of this sum, viz £150 when 10 years are added to my service as has always been done in other cases in this Union and throughout Ireland. Yet in fixing my superannuation the District Council did not add on the ten years and consequently my superannuation was fixed at £120.6.

I may mention that Dr. Mc. Donnell who resigned a few years before me, had several years less service than I had and in fixing his superannuation had the usual ten years added on and so got the full benefit under the Act of 1919, Section 8. All other officials were similarly treated and I hope the Board will see that the injustice meted in my solitary case will be rectified.

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully

(Sgd) T. G. Dillon

Proposed by Councillor C. Moran.
Seconded by Councillor W. Judge.
And Resolved:-
"That in view of the facts stated in enclosed letter from D. J. G. Dillon re his superannuation, we recommend the Local Government Department to re-consider his case with a view to adding the 10 years to his services as was done in all other cases."

Letter from Mr. Maurice Staunton, Solicitor, Castlerea, stating that his motor car ran into a barricade erected by the County Council during the progress of works at a damaged Bridge in Ballymurry
Order:- "Mr. Staunton to be informed that the Council believe the Contractor liable."

Letter from the District Court Clerk, Ballaghaderreen, re rent of Hall used as a Courthouse in Ballaghaderreen and enclosing letter from Father Spelman, Adm. on the same subject, was submitted.
Order:- "Pay £12"

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The Secretary reported that no decision had been arrived at by the Compensation Authorities relative to the burned Courthouses at Ballaghadereen and Frenchpark and although a Decree was given in June last for the burning of the Strokestown Courthouse no payment has been made in respect of it.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Beaonain
Seconded by Councillor P. Doogue.
And Resolved:-

"That the Government be called upon to expedite the hearing and granting of our claims for the burned Courthouses in Ballaghadereen, Frenchpark and Strokestown"

Application from Miss Mary Davis, Main St. Boyle, asking to have the use of one of the rooms in Boyle ex-Workhouse for Commercial Classes was granted.

Application from Mr. Philip W. Brady for the use of a room or two in the Boyle ex-Workhouse for the purpose of a club for ex-service men was submitted and refused.

Application

Application from Mr. Parks Boyle, Strokestown, for rooms in the ex-Union Buildings there was submitted and marked "Read"

Application from the Caretaker of the ex-Union Buildings in Castlerea was submitted and referred to the County Councillors for the District.

Letter from Collector H. Drury re deferred poundage was submitted. Order:- Councils officials to look into the matter.

The Secretary notified the County Council that he had appointed Mr. Edward Costello, Dromore Carrick-on-Shannon, Deputy Checker for that District, which was approved.

An Application from the Secretary for a new Typewriter for the County Council Office was submitted, and it was ordered that same be obtained through the Trade Department, Ministry of Local Government.

The

The Deed of Mortgage between the County Council and the National Bank, Ltd. Roscommon relative to the County Council's application for a loan of £1,800 under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act, 1924, was signed and sealed.

All other correspondence was marked "Read."

The Tender of the Athlone Printing Works Ltd. for the printing of the County Council's Demand Notes, for the lump sum of £45 was accepted as it was the lowest.

(Signed) M. O'Gorman
29.5.'25
Chairman

Minutes of Proceedings of Annual Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Monday 6th July, 1925.

Mr. M. O'Brannain outgoing Chairman presided and the following members who comprise the entire Council were in attendance:- Councillors James Neary, Andrew Hogg, John Dunn, Owen Bell, John Kelly, John Keaveney, Joseph O'Beirne Parks, Thos. Jordan, Michael H. Grogan, Parks J. Waters, Parks Mc Greal, James Donegan Wm. Heffernan, Edwd. Moran, Edwd. Creaton, Denis Creaton, Edwd. Kline, Michl. J. McDermott, John D. O'Farrell, Joseph McGann, Bernard Vaughan, William Flynn, William Donnelly, Michael Killion, Michael Brennan, John Burke, John Flynn (Dan) John Allen, Denis Joseph Kelly, John Millar, and Patrick Ledwith.

Declarations of Acceptance of Office were signed by all the

the Members.

Proposed by Councillor John Drury
Seconded by Councillor Jas. Donegan.
"That ~~James Donegan~~
Michael Brennan be elected
Chairman for the ensuing
year."

Proposed by Co. John O'Farrell,
Seconded by Co. John Millar.
"That Michael H. Grogan
be elected Chairman of the
County Council"

On a Poll being taken
Michael Brennan was elected
by 16 votes to 15. The following
voted for Mr. Brennan:-
Councillors Hogg, Drury, Lull,
J. Kelly, Kearney, Donegan,
Hafferty, Moran, Cline, Mangle,
Killion, Brennan, Burke, J. Flynn,
Allen and Ledwith.

The following voted for
Mr. Grogan:- Councillors
Neary, O'Beirne, Jordan, Grogan
Waters, Mrs. Greal, E. Creaton,
D. Creaton, Mrs. Bennett
O'Farrell, Mrs. Crann, W. Flynn
Donnelly, D. J. Kelly and Millar.

The

The Chairman made the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Proposed by Councillor John Keaveney.
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. John Drury be elected Vice-Chairman."

The Vice Chairman made the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Proposed by Councillor Drury
Seconded by Councillor O'Beirne.
And Resolved:-
"That the whole Council constitute the Finance Committee - three to form a quorum."

Proposed by Councillor E. Kline,
Seconded by Councillor M. J. McDermott,
And Resolved:-
"That the whole Council form the Committee under the Diseases of Animals Acts - seven to form a quorum"

Proposed by Councillor W. Hafferty.
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca
And Resolved:-
"That

"That a Roads Committee consisting of the following Members be appointed :-

Boyle	- Messrs. Hogg & Keaveney
Elphin	" O'Farrell & Mc Dermott
Castlerea	" Waters & Hafferty
Roscommon	" Allen & Ledwith

Proposed by Councillor Sean De Burca,
Seconded by Councillor Wm. Donnelly
"That the County Council be represented on the Ballinasloe Asylum Committee by eight Members of the Council".

Proposed by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
Seconded by Councillor J. Drury,
"That the County Council be represented on the Ballinasloe Asylum Committee by six Members of the Council and two non-Members."

On a Poll being taken Mr. De Burca's Motion was carried by 19 votes to 12.

The following voted for Mr. De Burca's Motion :- Councillors Bell, J. Kelly, Mc Greal, Hafferty, Moran, E. Creaton, D. Creaton, Kline

Mc Dermott

Mc Dermott, Mc Cann, Nangle, Flynn, Donnelly, Killion, Brennan, Burke, J. Flynn, Allen & Sedwith.

The following voted for Mr. D. J. Kelly's Motion:- Councillors Neary, Hogg, Drury, Keaveney, O'Beirne, Jordan, Grogan, Waters, Donegan, O'Farrell, D. J. Kelly & Miller.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor M. J. Mc Dermott,
And Resolved:-

"That the following members be appointed on the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Committee:- Councillors D. J. Kelly, Dysart, Ballinasloe; M. O'Braonain, Carrowbeg, Roscommon; J. Flynn, Yaghnacomell, Ballinasloe; Patrick Sedwith, Cappahuse, Thomastown, Athlone; Denis Beaton, Longlynn, Edward Moran, Castlerea; M. J. Mc Dermott, Rathroe, Mantua, Castlerea, Wm. Flynn, Creene, Elphin.

Proposed by Councillor John Drury.
Seconded by Councillor James Neary.
And Resolved:-

"That we, the Roscommon County Council at our first Meeting hereby record

record our opinion that in the interests of the general community we consider that the maintenance of Lunatic Asylums should be a State charge, and further we are of opinion that the Trunk roads of the country should be maintained as a State charge owing to the great increase in motor traffic in recent years."

Proposed by Councillor Jordan,
Seconded by Councillor Grogan,
"That the further selection of six Members of the Board of Health be proceeded with on the following basis:- 2 Members from Roscommon area; 2 from Castlerea area, one from Lilphin and one from Boyle area"

Proposed by Councillor John Dunn,
Seconded by Councillor O'Beirne,
"That the further selection of six Members of the Board of Health be proceeded with on the following basis, that one further Member be appointed from each Electoral

area

area and the two remaining Members from any part of the County."

On a Poll being taken Mr. Jordan's Motion was Denied by 18 votes to 12.

The following voted for Mr. Jordan's Motion:- Councillors Jordan, Gregan, Waters, Mc Geal, Donegan, Hafferty, Moran, E. Creaton, D. Creaton, Donnelly, Killion, Brennan, Burke, J. Flynn, Allen, D. J. Kelly, Millar and Ledwith.

The following voted for Mr. Deany's Motion:- Councillors Neary, Hogg, Deany, Bull, J. Kelly, O'Beirne, Kline, Mc Dermott, O'Farrell, Mc Cann, Nangle and W. Flynn.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Brannan.
Seconded by Councillor M. J. Mc Dermott
And Resolved:-

"That the following Members be appointed on the County Board of Health, representing the Electoral areas:-

Castlerea	Mr. P. J. Waters
Elphin	" Joseph Mc Cann
Boyle	" James Neary
Roscommon	" Michael Killion

Additional Members:- Messrs. J. D. O'Farrell
John Allen

John Allen, Wm. Donnelly,
John Keaveney, P. V. Jordan
and E. Moran."

Proposed by Councillor Ledwith
Seconded by Councillor Allen,
"That Mr. W. Donnelly
be appointed a representative
on the General Council of
County Councils"

Proposed by Councillor Flynn,
Seconded by Councillor Killion,
"That Councillor Millar
be a representative on the
General Council of County
Councils"

Proposed by Councillor M. H. Grogan
Seconded by Councillor J. Mc. Cann,
"That Messrs. O'Farrell
and O'Braonain be appointed
on the General Councils of
County Councils"

On a poll being taken
Mr. Grogans motion was carried
Mr. Brennan getting 21 votes,
Mr. O'Farrell 20, Mr. Millar 6, and
Mr. Donnelly 3.

The following voted for
Mr. Brennan :- Councillors
Neary, Hogg, Drury, Bell,

J. Kelly

J. Kelly, Jordan, Grogan, Waters, Mc Geal, Haffenty, D. Breaton, Kline Mc Dermott, O'Farrell, Mc Cann, Vaugle, W. Flynn, Killion, Brennan, Burke and Allen.

The following voted for Mr. O'Farrell:- Councillors Neary, Hogg, Drury, O'Beirne, Grogan, Waters, Mc Geal, Haffenty, E. Creaton, D. Breaton, Kline Mc Dermott, O'Farrell, Mc Cann, Vaugle, Flynn, Brennan, Burke and Allen.

The following voted for Mr. Millar:- Councillors Killion, O'Beirne, E. Creaton, J. Flynn, and Millar.

The following voted for Mr. Donnelly:- Councillors Flynn, Millar and Ledwith.

Mr. Donnelly withdrew his name as a Candidate.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Brassain
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.
And Resolved:-
"That the entire Council form the Old Age Pension Committee"

Proposed by Councillor M. Killion
Seconded by Councillor W. Donnelly
And Resolved:- That

"That the following be appointed on the Athlone No. 2. Sub-Pension Committee:-
Mr. John Fallon, Pigeonfield, Cloonown, Athlone
" D. J. Kelly, Bryant, Ballinasloe
" W. Donnelly, Killoom, Athlone
Canon Keane, Athlone
Mr. Thos. Corcoran, Ardmullen, Curraghboy
" Michl. Killion, Milanboy, Athlone
" Michl. Macken, Lisdillane, Comafulla.
Rev. Father Neary, Drum, Athlone
Mr. Wm. O Neill, Mount Hussey.

Proposed by Councillor John Millar
Seconded by Councillor Park. Ledwith,
And Resolved:-
"That the following be appointed on the Ballinasloe Old Age Pension Sub-Committee:-
Mr. John Flynn (Dan) Bloomfield, Ballinasloe
" Park. Ledwith, Cappahuse, Thomastown, Athlone
" Francis Kenny, Oldtown, Ballinasloe
" Edwd. O'Connor, Lakelands, Ballydangan,
Rev. John Mylotte, P.P. Moore, do B'sloe
" Joseph Pelly, P.P. Taghmaconnell do
Mr. Michael Kenny, Bloomfield, Thomastown
" Kieran Daly, Campeloon do
" Thomas Ryan, do do

Proposed by Councillor John Drury
Seconded by Councillor Andrew Hogg
And Resolved:-
"That

"That the following be appointed on the Boyle Old Age Pension Sub-Committee:-
Rev. Canon Sharkey, P.P. Boyle.
" Archdeacon Wagner "
Mr. James Neary, County Councillor
" John Kelly " "
" Owen Cull " "
" J. Keaveney " "
" A. Hogg " "
" Tom Devine Boyle.
" J. Drury, Ardsallagh, Boyle."

Proposed by Councillor Joseph O'Beirne,
Seconded by Councillor E. Clyne,
And Resolved:-
"That the following be appointed on the Carrick No. 2. Pension Committee:-
Z/ ~~Rev. T. Carney, P.P. Aughrim, Drumsna~~
Joseph O'Beirne, C.C.
Martin Mc Dermott, Drumlion
Michael Fox, Lisadorn, Elphin
J. M. Dorr, Clogher, Kilmore
John Regan, Cortehall.
James Brennan, Finnerr, Carrick-on-Shan.
P. J. Donagher, Boyle Road " " "

Proposed by Councillor Edward Moran,
Seconded by Councillor Denis Creaton,
And Resolved:-
"That the following be appointed on the Casilerea Sub-Pension

Sub-Pension Committee:-
Patrick Jordan, Fairymount
Canon Harte, Castlerea
Martin Gara, Tibohine
Frank Forde, Castlerea
Thomas Flynn, Cloonree, Castlerea
Edward Moran, Castlerea
M. H. Grogan do
James Donegan, Clogher, Ballinlough
Rev. R. Mullany, Fairymount
William Hafferty, Ballinlough

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters,
Seconded by Councillor Denis Creaton
And Resolved:-
"That the following
be appointed on the Ballaghaderreen
Sub-Pension Committee:-
Rev. Father Spelman, Adm, or his successor
John Vesey, Edmondstown
P. J. Beirne, Ballaghaderreen
Peter Beirne do
John Creaton do
T. B. Doyle do
P. J. Waters do
Felix Patridge do
Loughglynn
Canon Geraghty
Andrew Keaveney
Denis Creaton
Father Glynn, Lisacul
Patrick McGreal & Edwd Creaton, Aghadreston
Proposed

Proposed by Councillor John Burke
Seconded by Councillor John Allen.
And Resolved:-
"That the following
be appointed on the Roscommon
Old Age Pension Sub-Committee:-
Messrs. M. O'Braonain, George Geraghty,
John Burke, John Allen
Rev. Canon Cummins, Rev. T. Hurley
Canon Conry, E. P. Keogh & Frank Judge."

Proposed by Councillor John O'Farrell
Seconded by Councillor Edward Kline
And Resolved:-
"That the following
be appointed on the Strokestown
Sub-Pension Committee:-
Dean Gearty, Strokestown, E. Kline, B.C.
Wm. Flynn, B.C. Joseph Mc.Cann, B.C.
M. J. Mc. Dermott, B.C. J. D. O'Farrell, B.C.
Bryan Mangle, B.C. Park. Gearty
Bloommore, Rev. A. Doocey, B.C. Kilina
Tulsk."

Letter from the National
Health Insurance Commission
asking the County Council to
appoint eight Members on
the County Roscommon
Insurance Committee was
submitted and the following
resolution was passed:-

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor J. Burke.
And Resolved :-
"That the following be appointed Members of the County Roscommon Insurance Committee :- Messrs. M. O'Braonain, J. Drury, P. Y. Jordan, Miss Sharkey, Miss O'Farrell, E. Moran, J. Donegan and J. Burke."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.
And Resolved :-
"That the following be appointed Members on the County Roscommon Insurance Society :- Messrs. John Allen, M. O'Braonain, John Drury, E. Moran, John Burke & J. D. O'Farrell"

Proposed by Councillor John O'Farrell
Seconded by Councillor M. H. Grogan
And Resolved :-
"That the following be appointed on the University Committee :- Very Rev. Canon Cummins Father O'Donnell, b.b, Messrs. Michl. J. Mc Dermott b.b. M. O'Braonain b.b. Thos. Larkin, N. Y. P. Y. Jordan, N.Y Michael Killion, b.b. John Millar, b.b. and John Flynn, b.b."

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.
And Resolved:-

"That we appoint the following as a Committee of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for the ensuing triennial term - four to form a quorum - All Members of this Council for the time being and the following additional persons:-

Baron Cummins, Wm. Phair, J. J. Carlos, E. Hayden, Baron Shanley, Rev. Malachi Brennan, Wm. O'Neill, Rev. M. Keane, P.P. Francis Lavan, Thos. Feehily; Joseph O'Donnell Castleplunket; P. Duignan, Keadue; James Mulligan, John Mc. Grath, Franks Judge, William Judge, Rev. P. A. Shanley, Boyle; A. Kearney, Loughglynn; Rev. M. O'Donnell, Roscommon; Tom Collins, Coolmeen; Wm. J. Molloy, James Frances, Tans; Park. Keneban, Kiltullagh; Rody Beirne, Tulsk; P. A. Beirne and P. B. Lennon.

Six months absence entails disqualification in above cases of additional Members."

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor M. O Braonain
Seconded by Councillor Wm. Flynn,
And Resolved:-
"That the following
constitute the Roscommon Town
Committee:-
"Very Rev. Canon Cummins,
Wm. Molloy, (Senator) C. U. Geraghty
Gerald O'Connor, John F. Hession,
John P. Nolan, James B. Finlay,
P. Murray, Wm. Black, John Allen,
John Burke and M. O'Braonain."

The following correspondence
from the Department of Local
Government and Public Health
was submitted by the Secretary:-
Circular No. G. 15444/25 of the 21st April
asking the County Council
to draft a Scheme for
the retention or superannuation
of ex-Rural District
Council Officers now
transferred to the County
Council: Order:-"Adjourned
to Quarterly Meeting to
be held on the 22nd July."
Letter No. P. H. 18414 of the 24th April
last asking the County
Council to draft a Tuberculosis
Scheme for the County
and pointing out that
without

without any additional cost to the ratepayers, the Scheme when approved by the Minister would come under the terms of the National Tuberculosis Grant.

The Secretary informed the Council that if the matter was adjourned to the Quarterly Meeting on the 22nd instant he would request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to instruct his Medical Inspector - Dr. Boyd Barrett - to attend".

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Hafferty.
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Braonain.

"That the question of formulating a Scheme for the treatment of Tuberculosis be adjourned until the next Meeting for the attendance of Dr. Boyd Barrett"

Proposed by Councillor John O'Farrell.
Seconded by Councillor Michl. J. McDermott

"That the drafting of a Tuberculosis Scheme for this County be adjourned for 12 months".

A Poll was then taken and Mr. O'Farrell's Motion was "Carried" by 19 votes to 4.

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The following voted for Mr. O'Farrell's Motion :-
Councillors Neary, Hogg, J. Kelly, O'Beirne, Jordan, Waters, Mc Greal, Donegan, E. Keaton, D. Keaton, Kline, Mc Dermott, O'Farrell, McGann, Mangle, W. Flynn, J. Flynn, Allen and Millar.

The following voted for Mr. Haffenty's Motion :-
Councillors Drury, Haffenty, Moran, Donnelly, Killian, Brennan and Ledwith.

Circular No. 501/13231/25 of the 4th May enclosing copy of the "Housing Act 1925. Order :- "Adjourn to next Meeting".

Circular No. S.R.V/220 relative to the use of certain Mechanically Propelled Vehicles on the public roads.
Proposed by Councillor P.J. Waters
Seconded by Councillor Joseph McGann
And Resolved :-
"That, we, the Members of the Roscommon County Council wish to draw the attention of the Roads Department to the inconsistent tax on a

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four tow lorry compared with the tax on an ordinary Motor bar considering the amount of damage done to the roads by the former. We consider it only fair that the Tax on the Lorries should be increased according to the damage done by them."

Letter No. P. 24190 and Circular No. 31424 were read before the election of the County Home Committee took place.

Letter No. G. 24382 of the 26th May giving sanction to the Council's Overdraft not exceeding £20.000 to the 30th ultimo:-

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

"That the Minister for Local Government be asked to sanction a further extension of the Overdraft of £20.000 to the 30th September next."

The Secretary submitted Rate Return showing the amount of rates viz:- £14.112 uncollected to the 30th ultimo and asked the County Council to make some definite

definite Order on the matter as the Rate Books for the year ending 31st March 1926 would be signed at the Quarterly Meeting to be held on the 22nd July :-
Proposed by Councillor A. Stagg
Seconded by Councillor Wm. Flynn,
And Resolved :-
"That all Rate Collectors not having their Collections closed by the 6th August be dismissed."

Proposed by Councillor Joseph McCann,
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters,
And Resolved :-
"That the Minister for Local Government be asked to sanction payment of poundage to Collectors Edward Boyle, Tyler, Shanagher, Kelly, Malachy Murray, Donlon, McCann and Beirne, who have lodged the full amounts of their 1925 arrears for the year ended 31st March, 1925, and to Collector Bruny for the half-year ended 30th September, 1924, as he has closed his Collection for that half-year."

The Secretary explained that a sum of £-86-8-10 was out-

outstanding in Collector John Mannion's District in respect of the year ended 31st March, 1922. Order:- "The Council strike out the sum of £86-8-10 arrears outstanding in John Mannion's District and deduct same from poundage fees due to ex-Collector O'Brien."

Mr. John Mc. Dermott tendered his resignation as Rate Collector for the No. 3 Collection District in the Carrick-on-Shannon No 2 Rural District. The Secretary suggested to the Council that as Mr. Mc. Dermott had only two small Electoral Divisions the Collection could be added to Collector E. L. Devanny's which adjoins it:-
Proposed by Councillor John Drury,
Seconded by Councillor Jas. Neary,
And Resolved:-
"That ex-Collector Mc. Dermott's Collecting Books for the Electoral Divisions of Tumna North and South be handed to Collector Devanny to complete the Collection."

The Deed of Mortgage between the National Bank and the Roscommon

Roscommon County Council for the loan of £4,800 at 4½ per cent. under the Housing (Building Facilities) Act, 1924, was submitted
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters,
And Resolved:-

"That the Council's Seal be affixed to Mortgage on Rates to the extent of £4,800 to meet the Housing Act requirements."

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

"That we authorise the Secretary to forward Revision Lists to the Valuation Office."

Proposed by Councillor Michl. Killian
Seconded by Councillor John Flynn,
And Resolved:-

"That in consequence of the loss sustained by farmers by the flabe and other causes that the Government in addition to such remedies as are already in contemplation adopt the following remedy:-

1. That each tenant farmer under the Irish Land Commission get

get the option of a remission of his annuity to the said Commission for a period of two years.

2. That the amount of such annuity be obtained by the Government by loan similar to the loans obtained to finance the previous Land Purchase Acts with possibly a difference in the interest on the loan required in the present instance.

3. That the Loan of two years annuity thus obtained be added to the purchase money still outstanding on such farm thus increasing the liability of the farm to that extent.

4. That the term for repayment of annuities on all Land Purchase Acts (the Ashbourne Act excepted) be extended by 20 years which extension will reduce the annuity on each respective holding notwithstanding the increase in the purchase money required under this Scheme.

5. That the Loan thus obtained be used by the Land Commission to meet the said Annuities

for

for the two years in question.

6. To ascertain the number of farmers who require such loan that the Land Commission issue a circular letter on the lines of the circular issued by the Commission to ascertain what tenants wished to avail themselves of the decedal reductions under the Ashbourne Act. Thus within one week of the issue of such letter the Government will know the exact amount of loan required.

As most of the tenant purchasers have already repaid an average of 20 years annuities and by the reduction of future annuities owing to the extension of terms of redemption the Government and Land Commission have ample security for the amount of loan required."

As a further six months will elapse after the two years covered by said loan each tenant will have 2½ years grace to enable him to get on square terms again."

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The following Notice of Motion was handed in:-

"Take Notice that I, or some other "Councillor on my behalf, will "move at the next Meeting of "the County Council, that in "the opinion of this Council, "the Land Commission alone "should be responsible for the "Collection of rents due to them, "and we request the Government "to alter the practice which saddles "the ratepayers with the debts "of defaulters.

That copies of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Agriculture and to Messrs. Lavan & Coulon, T.D's for this County."

(Signed) Patrick Ledwith

All other business was adjourned to Quarterly Meeting owing to no quorum being present.

(Signed) M. O'Raonain

Chairman.

Minutes of Proceedings of Quarterly Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse Roscommon, on Wed. 22nd July 1925

Mr. M. O'Braonain Chairman presided and the following Members were in attendance:- Councillors Neary, Hogg, Derry, Keaveney, O'Beirne, Jordan, Grogan, Waters, Mc Greal, Donegan, Hafferty, Moran, G. Beaton, D. Beaton, Kline, Mc Dermott, O'Farrell, Mc Cann, Nangle, W. Flynn, Donnelly, Killion, ~~Brannan~~, Burke, J. Flynn, Allen and Ledwith.

Proposed by Councillor Hafferty.
Seconded by Councillor D. Beaton.
And Resolved:-
"That the Minutes of last Meeting be taken as read"

Proposed by Councillor M. Killion
Seconded by Councillor W. Donnelly.
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. Pack. Lennon Bastion St. Athlone. Mr. Grenham, Connaught St. Athlone; and Mr. O. J. Nolan, Connaught Street Athlone.

Athlone, be added to the Athlone Pension Committee."

Proposed by Councillor Joseph O'Beirne
Seconded by Councillor M. J. Mc Dermott
And Resolved:-
"That the following names be added to the Carrick No. 2 Old Age Pension Committee:- Messrs. J. J. Costello, Drumlion, Carrick; and Leo Duignan, "Danesfort" House, Killukin."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor M. J. Mc Dermott
And Resolved:-
"That the name of Mr. M. Pettit, Lanesboro, be added to the Roscommon Pension Sub-Committee"

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Hafferty
Seconded by Councillor Denis Beatón
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. B. V. Lavan Ballinlough, be added to the Pension Committee of Castlerea, and Mr. J. Henehan, Ballinlough, be also appointed a Member."

Proposed by Councillor Pat. Ledwith
Seconded

Seconded by Councillor Edward Kline.
And Resolved:-
"That the names of Pat Gavin, Derrylahan, and Mrs. McCann Roscommon, be added to the Technical Committee."

Proposed by Councillor Denis Keaton.
Seconded by Councillor Wm. Hafferty.
And Resolved:-
"That the names of Patk. Mc Donagh, Carnaghs. Loughglynn; and John Mc Grath Kilmore, Ballaghaderreen, be added to the Technical Committee."

The following correspondence from the Department of Local Government and Public Health was submitted:-

Letter No. G. 15444 asking the County Council to prepare a Scheme for discharging the duties formerly performed by the Rural District Council Clerks:-
Proposed by Co. M. J. Mc Dermott
Seconded by Co. M. O. Braonain
And Resolved:-
"That the following Members constitute a Sub-Committee to

to draft a ~~Report~~ Scheme to make provision for the carrying out of the District Council work:-
"All the members of the County Board of Health, with the Chairman, Mr. Grogan, Mr. Mc Dermott, Mr. Ledwich and Mr. Kline; the three Clerks of the District Councils, the Secretary of the County Board of Health and the Secretary of the County Council, to meet on the 8th August at the Board-room of the County Home".

Letter No. H. 501/13231 enclosing copy of the Housing Act, 1925:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Brannan
Seconded by Councillor M. J. Mc Dermott
And Resolved:-
"That the following constitute a Sub-Committee to deal with the Housing Scheme and report to next quarterly meeting. Meeting to be held on the 1st August:- Messrs. Donnelly Burke, Grogan, Allen and the Chairman".

Letter No. L. 30948 giving the Minister's sanction to loan of £1700 to improve Castlerea Waterworks Order:- Mortgage to be prepared".

Letter

Letter No. G. 22, 173 approving of Mr. John Kilmartin's appointment as Chief Clerk in the County Council office, and stating that the Council offices are sufficiently staffed.

Letter No. G. 32, 131 re State of the Rate Collection in the County, also stating that the County Council should consider Collector Lane's fitness for continuance in office as Rate Collector:-

Proposed by Councillor John Drury.
Seconded by Councillor James Neary.
And Resolved:-

"That in view of the letter from the Local Government Department with reference to Collector Lane, that the services of Collector Lane be dispensed with from this date."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Raonain
Seconded by Councillor M. J. Grogan.
And Resolved:-

"That information concerning the collection of rates through the Post Office be sought from the officials of the County Councils where this system is in operation with a view to putting the same system into operation

operation in ex-Collector Lane's District and any other vacancies that may arise."

Letter No. G. 33984 Sanctioning the Council's Overdraft of £15,000 to the 30th September 1925.

Circular No. R./I.R/93 re Petrol Pumps (Fees) Regulations 1925.

The Auditor's Accounts of Local Authorities were also submitted and marked "Read"

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

Letter No. L. 2495 of the 30th June re Sheep-Dipping arrangements for the present year also other correspondence on various matters:-

Proposed by Councillor O. Y. Jordan,
Seconded by Councillor M. J. Mc Dermott
And Resolved:-

"That the following be appointed on a Sub-Committee to deal with the Sheep-Dipping Scheme and other matters arising out of the Diseases of Animals Acts:- Messrs. James Donegan M. J. Mc Dermott, E. Cline, M. Killion J. Drury, J. O'Farrell, J. Mc Cann and the Chairman, with the

two

two Veterinary Surgeons.
Meeting on the 1st August."

The following correspondence from the Office of Public Works, Dublin, was submitted:-
Letter No. 18028/24 of the 9th April enclosing copy of the Drainage Maintenance Act 1924, and stating that the Minister for Finance had authorised certain works in Elphin District to be carried out:-
Proposed by Councillor Wm. Flynn
Seconded by Councillor Mr. McCann.
And Resolved:-
"That no provision be made for the building of Drumullin Bridge."
Letters Nos. 11903, and 11835 re Works in Ballyhay and Brogban Districts were marked "Approved".
Letter No. 10290 enclosing copy of Form of Petition and copy of explanation of the Arterial Drainage Act 1925. Order:-Secretary to obtain copies of explanation and petition Forms for applicants

The County Surveyor submitted his Report for the Quarter ended the 30th June (copy herewith). Order made thereon

thereon:- "Approved"

Proposed by Councillor Edward Kline,
Seconded by Councillor Patk. Sedwick
And Resolved:-
"That as it appears that the present system of maintaining what are known as local roads by Direct Labour is extravagant and uneconomical the County Surveyor be ordered to inquire with the Local Government Department if their sanction may be obtained to altering the Direct Labour Scheme at present in force in this County so that only Trunk and Main Roads be done by Direct Labour and that all local roads be advertised and set for maintenance by contract. This to take effect from the 1st April 1926"

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor J. O'Farrell,
And Resolved:-
"That all roads passed for repair provisionally be struck off unless the necessary Assignment is perfected by the next quarterly Meeting"

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor ~~[illegible]~~ Breaton.
And Resolved:-
"That we hereby authorise our County Secretary to advertise for a dumping ground and site to be approved of by the County Surveyor in the vicinity of Roscommon and Strokestown."

Proposed by Councillor Edward Kline
Seconded by Councillor Park. Mc. Geal.
And Resolved:-
"That the Proposals for Payments made by the Proposal Committee of the County Council on the 6th day of July, 1925, and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved".

The Secretary informed the County Council that the Rate Books and Collectors' Warrants were ready for signature:-
Proposed by Councillor Park. Mc. Geal
Seconded by Councillor Edwd Breaton
And Resolved:-
"That the Chairman Messrs. Allen and Burke be appointed

appointed a Committee to sign and seal the Council's rate Books."

The Secretary submitted the following Summary of outstanding rates for the year ended 31st March, 1925:-

Summary of Rates unlodged for the year ended 31st March, 1925

Collector	B. V. Doyle	£ 134.	6. 4
"	P. J. Fallon	182.	6. 0
"	J. Lane	699.	11. 9
"	H. Drury	141.	6. 2
"	H. Rogers	401.	6. 8
"	J. McDermott	202.	13. 1
"	Wm. Bacon	3124.	10. 11
"	J. Bramley	1004.	16. 3
"	P. G. Shanaghi	2626.	11. 0
"	T. J. Fleming	118.	1. 4
"	J. Connaghton	384.	2. 6
"	M. Geraghty	3509.	14. 5
"	P. Egan	953.	6. 9
"	M. P. Clarke	643.	12. 10
		£ 14,192.	6. 6
Previous Years.		2.289.	4. 8
Total		£ 16,481	14. 2

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor John Burke,
And Resolved:-

"That

"That we ask the Minister for Local Government to sanction payment of poundage fees at 8d in the £ to Miss Croghan for the half-year ended 31st March, 1925. and 2d extra for the half-year ended 30th September, 1924. as she lodged both moieties in a little over seven months, and 2d extra to Laurence O'Hara who closed both moieties within eight months."

The Quarterly Report of the Public Analyst was submitted.

The following Notice of Motion was moved by Councillor Ledwith:-

(Copy)

"Take Notice that I, or some other County Councillor on my behalf, will move at the next Meeting of the County Council, that in the opinion of this County Council the Land Commission alone should be responsible for the collection of rents due to them, and we request the Government to alter the practice which saddles the ratepayers with the debts of Defaulters

That copies of above be forwarded to the Minister of Agriculture and to Messrs. Lavin and Conlon T.D's for the county
(Signed) Patrick Ledwith

Proposed by Councillor Park. Ledwith
Seconded by Councillor E. Kline.
And Resolved:-
"That in the opinion of this Council the Land Commission alone should be responsible for the collection of rents due to them and we request the Government to alter the practice which saddles the ratepayers with the debts of defaulters, and we hereby call on the Government to instruct the Sub-Sheriff to have all Decrees in his possession executed at once.
That copies of above be forwarded to the Minister of Agriculture and to Messrs. Lavin and Conlon T.D's for the county."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor John Keaveney
And Resolved:-
"That we again ask

ask the Irish Land Commission to submit to this Council an up-to-date list of Defaulting Land Purchase Annuitants and that we authorise our Secretary to print same and circularise amongst the Members"

Proposed by Councillor Michl. Killian
Seconded by Councillor Joseph Mc Cann
And Resolved:-

"That we would have repealed the Clause in the Land Purchase Act which enables the Land Commission to withhold such unpaid Annuity from the Agricultural Grant as such Clause is not founded on justice or equity and in practice has led directly to demoralisation and fraud. We would have the Land Commission to depend on the ordinary law for the recovery of such annuity with the further power if it does not already exist with the Commission of taking up possession of each such holding allowed to lapse into arrear.

Letter from the Boardkeeper Boardhouse.

Courthouse, Roscommon, asking the County Council to provide for the usual supply of coal viz. 45 tons. Order:- "Advertise"

Mr. James Cox submitted his resignation as Clerk of the Boyle No. 1. Rural District Council. Order:- "Refer to the Board of Health."

Application from Mr. Martin Rafferty, Castle St. Roscommon, for a licence under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act was submitted Order:- "Granted."

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Donnelly
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters.
And Resolved:-
"That the Board of Works through the Local Government Department be requested to give their sanction to the Scheme submitted by the Roscommon Town Committee and approved of by the County Council for the sale of the Artizans' Dwellings to the occupying tenants. We are anxious to have this matter settled as early as convenient

as

as the Cottages are badly in need of repair."

Letter from the Resident Medical Superintendent, Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe re Finances of the Hospital was submitted and marked "Read"

Letter from Mrs. Winifred Morris, wife of the late Wardsman of Roscommon Workhouse re pension was submitted and marked "Refused".

Letter from Mr. George Gilbert 23 Eustace Street, Dublin, re Mallows Powder Sheep Dip was submitted and referred to the Sub-Committee (Diseases of Animals Acts) to be held on the 1st August.

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

"That owing to the abolition of Rural District Councils, the Council's Solicitor be hereby instructed to defend all Malicious Injury Claims brought against the County Council".

Letter

Letter from ratepayers in Ballintough re vacant rooms in boyshouse was submitted. Order:- "Kenny to be asked to vacate boyshouse."

All other correspondence was marked "Read"

The following dates were fixed for the next Meetings of the County Council:-

Proposal Committee

Roscommon Monday, 19th October '25 11.30 a.m.

County Council

Roscommon Tuesday, 10th November, 25 do.

The following are the amounts of the Warrants for the Rate Collectors in the County for the year ending 31st March, 1926:-

Name of Collector	Amount
B. V. Doyle	£2.192. 13. 1
J. Mannion	2,849. 5. 4
J. Martin	1,545. 12. 11
P. J. Fallon	1,334. 16. 9
J. Murray	2,885. 6. 2
Vacant (Collector dismissed)	2,011. 16. 5
L. O'Hara	2,441. 10. 3
E. Doyle	2,634. 15. 4
H. Drury	2,212. 1. 11

Name of Collector	Amount
T. J. Coleman	£1,464. 16. 9
H. Rogers	2,625. 13. 5
C. L. Devanny	1,248. 14. 11
Collector resigned	528. 9. 5
J. Tyler	2,959. 6. 4
W. Barron	2,540. 14. 0
J. Bramley	2,490. 8. 6
P. G. Shanagher	4,845. 8. 0
M. Kelly	6,881. 11. 8
J. Bonnie	2,449. 15. 2
T. J. Fleming	1,806. 15. 5
J. Connaghton	4,405. 3. 2
W. Dolan	1,860. 14. 2
Miss D. Croghan	2,651. 11. 2
Books in C. Gds. hands	4,434. 1. 8
M. Murray	2,165. 13. 6
O. Boulon	998. 4. 8
D. Hanly	2,120. 19. 4
P. Egan	3,674. 4. 4
M. P. Rourke	5,047. 2. 8
P. Mc Cann	418. 14. 9
P. Berine	1,116. 1. 9

(Signed) M O'Braonáin

Chairman

19th October 1925

Minutes of Proceedings of Special Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon on Wednesday, 23rd September, 1925. Mr. O'Braonain, Chairman, presided, and the following Members were in attendance:-

Councillors Neary, Hogg, Drury, Bell, Keaveney, O'Beirne, Jordan, Grogan, Waters, Mc Greal, Donegan, Hafferty, Moran, E. Creaton, D. Creaton, Kline, Mc Dermott, O'Farrell, Mc Cann, Vaughe, W. Flynn, Donnelly, Killion, ~~Brennan~~, Burke, Allen, Millar and Ledwith.

Proposed by Councillor John Drury,
Seconded by Councillor Edward Kline,
And Resolved:-

"That we, the Roscommon County Council hereby express our deepest regret at the death of Mr. Timothy Burke, a former Member of this Council and father on one of the Rate Collectors and that copies be sent to the Members of his family."

The Chairman submitted Scheme prepared by him in conjunction with the Secretary for

for the carrying out of the duties of District Councils as from the 1st October next (Copy herewith)

(Copy).

For the purpose of discharging the duties transferred from the District Councils to the County Council, the following Clauses constitute a Scheme for the County.

1. A District for the purpose of levying District Charges shall be co-terminus with the present Electoral area as distinct from the former Rural District area.
2. Roads other than County and Main Roads shall continue to be District Charges within the meaning of the altered District. (Clause 1.)
3. The County Surveyor to amend the Direct Labour Scheme where necessary in accordance with the Districts where altered
4. A Sub-Committee to be set up in each Electoral Area consisting of the ~~Electoral Area~~ Elected Members of the County Council in

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the Area. Sec. 58 (5) L. G. Act 1925.

5. The Titles of the Sub-Committee to be as follows:- Boyle Sub-Committee Castlerea Sub-Committee, Elphin Sub-Committee and Roscommon Sub-Committee, and the places of Meeting shall be respectively Boyle Courthouse; Castlerea Courthouse; Elphin, Strokestown ex-Union Buildings and Roscommon Courthouse.

6. The Sub-Committee shall meet before the 15th January in each year (and subsequently as called by the County Secretary) and consider applications for New Works and repairs to bye-roads, and shall submit their proposals to the County Council in the same manner as heretofore by the District Councils. Proposals to be forwarded to the Secretary of the County Council 20 days before the date fixed for the January Meeting.

(a) The Sub-Committee shall, at its first Meeting appoint one of its Members as Chairman who will hold office until the first Meeting after the election of the Chairman of the County Council

council in each year.

7. For the purpose of co-ordinating the work previously performed by the District Council, and to give adequate representation to the people concerned, we request the Board of Health under Sec. (13) of the L.G. Act 1925 to appoint the same Sub-Committees as mentioned in Clause 4 of this Scheme, and when matters relating to Labourers and Sanitary Acts, and any other matters latterly discharged by District Councils come before the Board of Health for consideration the Members of the Sub-Committee be entitled to sit, act and vote with the Board of Health on matters appertaining to their respective areas, or, as an alternative, the Members of the Sub-Committee be entitled to discuss and offer their views, but not to vote on matters appertaining to their Areas.

8. That one District Council Clerk with the addition of a Typist go to the Board of Health offices, one Clerk to be

engaged

engaged as Checkers of all Rate Collectors and Rent Collectors in the County and one blank to go to the County Council Office.

The above was marked "Approved" by the County Council subject to sanction of Local Government Department.

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Jordan
Seconded by Councillor James Neary.
And Resolved:-

"That in accordance with the Sub-Committee's recommendation, one of the District Council blanks be appointed Checker for the County, same to include Water Rents and Cottage Rents."

Proposed by Councillor M. Killian
Seconded by Councillor Wm. Donnelly.
"That Mr. J. Donnelly be appointed Deputy Checker for the County."

Proposed by Councillor John Burke.
Seconded by Councillor Wm. Flynn.
"That John Gilleran be appointed Deputy Checker for the County."

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor M. H. Grogan
Seconded by Councillor W. Hafferty.
"That Mr. P. A. Flanagan
be appointed Deputy Sheeler for
the County at his present salary
plus travelling expenses. Sheeling
to be conducted at convenient
centres to be specified by the Secretary"

The following voted for Mr. Flanagan:-
Councillors Neary, Hogg, Keaveney
Jordan, Grogan, Waters, Mc. Great
Donegan, Hafferty, Moran, E. Keaton
D. Keaton, Kline, O'Farrell and
Millar.
The following voted for Mr. Gilleran:-
Councillors Bull, O'Beirne, Mc. Dermott
Mc Cann, Vaughe, Wm. Flynn,
Burke and Allen.
The following voted for Mr.
Donnelly:- Councillors Drury
Donnelly, Killion and Leduith.
Mr. Flanagan having a
clear majority over the other
two candidates was declared
elected by 15 votes to 12.

Proposed by Councillor M. H. Grogan
Seconded by Councillor W. Hafferty
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. P. A. Flanagan
be appointed Deputy Sheeler for
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the bounty at his present salary plus travelling expenses. Blessing to be conducted at convenient centres to be specified by the Secretary."

Proposed by Councillor M. Killian
Seconded by Councillor J. Millar
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. Donnelly go to the County Council Offices and Mr. Gilleran with an additional typist go to the Board of Health."

The following Report of the University Committee was submitted by the Secretary:-
Copy Report of the University Committee at their Meeting held in the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Saturday, 29th August, 1925.
Present:- Messrs. M. Killian, M. O'Braonain, J. Y. Jordan, M. J. Mc Dermott and Father O'Donnell.

In accordance with Examination Results obtained from the Office of National Education in the Scholarship Scheme from Primary to Secondary Schools, the following students are awarded Scholarships:-
Margaret Mee, Parks. Y. Killion,
Teresa

Teresa Owens, Mary A. Martin, Catherine Ryder, Margt. A. Flanagan, Mary E. McGuiness, P. T. Reid and Cathe. C. Craughwell.

Owing to the numbers allotted to the various Districts not having qualified the Committee allow Scholarships to one in excess of the number allotted for Athlone and Boyle Districts. The above students to inform the Secretary of the County Council inside one week from this date of their selection of Secondary Schools. Prospectus of selected Schools to be forwarded to the Secretary as soon as possible.

Secondary Scholarships:

Mary Foxe of Mount-Cashel, Kilrooskey, who obtained her Leaving Certificate with Honours but has not yet matriculated be awarded a Scholarship if she complies with III (f) of the Scholarship Scheme.

Maureen McNally, of Castleplunket, who has obtained a Scholarship with Honours be allowed at her own special request to hold this Scholarship in the National University

Dublin

Dublin.

Michael P. Dallon be allowed his 3rd years Scholarship in Galway University provided he passes his 2nd Engineering Examination to the satisfaction of the College Authorities and the compliance of the University Scheme previous to taking advantage of the 3rd years Course

The requests of Messrs. Jennings Hughes and Naughten for a payment to cover their Hospital fees be complied with and they be paid £25 each.

(Signed) M. O'Braonain, M. O'Donnell M. J. Mc Dermott, Michael Killian and P. Y. Jordan.

The above Report was marked Approved by the County Council at their Meeting held on 23rd September Proposed by Councillor Joseph O'Beirne Seconded by Councillor J. D. O'Farrell.

And Resolved:-

"That the Education Commissioners be ~~asked~~ asked to allow Primary Scholarships to Bgt. M. Scally, Kitty Mullooly, and Patrick Cox. as they are only slightly over age and from every other point of view are well entitled to Scholarships

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some of them having passed a very brilliant examination".

The Secretary submitted Letter No. 16583/25 from the Board of Works asking the County Council if they were prepared to contribute towards the cost of the Drainage in the Ballybay, Croghan and Lilpshin Drainage Districts. The following order was made thereon :- No contribution to be given."

The County Surveyor submitted a Report of which the following is a copy on the Arterial Drainage Act 1925 :-

(Copy)

Arterial Drainage Act 1925

Report of County Surveyor to Roscommon County Council at their Meeting on the 23rd September, 1925

Gentlemen,

According to the provisions of this Act, all petitions having the names of at least six occupiers of land appended must be sent to the Secretary of the County Council who transmits them on to me for a Report. All those petitions must be accompanied by

by an Ordnance Map showing in red the rivers and drains to be improved, and in blue the area approximately which will be benefited by such improvement.

Up to the present I have received about sixty petitions but in only a few cases have the Maps been marked properly and in a great number of cases no effort has been made to mark the rivers on the map at all with the result that it is impossible to locate them.

When this business started I had no idea that so many applications would be forthcoming, but it seems from the number and variety now in my possession that practically every drain in the County is to be put up. I could not be expected to be able to inspect all those drains, it is an utter impossibility. It takes a day at least to walk the drains indicated on each application and in some cases two or three so that going every day it would take me about three months to inspect the number already on hand and they are still coming in

every

every day. As it is, my whole time is amply filled with road works and I cannot neglect this works for the drainage. So far I have been only able to inspect four of these Schemes and you will find my Report attached to each petition.

Generally from looking over the Maps a great deal of the applications seem to be for small individual drains and from reading the Act it appears that drainage district must be formed with a definite Scheme of drainage improvement set forth for that District.

In the case of Athlone District I have amalgamated six applications in one case and two in another, thus forming fairly decent Schemes.

I expect that all over the bounty the same thing can be done to advantage.

It is now getting late in the year and the Autumn and Winter rains will be coming on so I expect that nothing is likely to be done on any of those rivers or drains until next Spring and Summer

as it will take a considerable time to make the necessary preliminary preparations.

I am, Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant,
(Sgd) Michael Verney
Co. Surveyor.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor Sean De Burca.
And Resolved:-
"That the Corbeola and Sandfield Drainage District be approved of and investigation invited from the Board of Works"

Proposed by Councillor John Millar,
Seconded by Councillor P. Ledwith,
And Resolved:-
"That the Council approve of the County Surveyor's Report on the Drumlosh and Moore Drainage Scheme and invite detailed inspection from the Board of Works on the matter."

Proposed by Councillor John Burke
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
And Resolved:-
"That the County Surveyor's Report on the Hind River Scheme be approved and detailed inspection from the Board of Works"

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor J. D. O'Farrell,
And Resolved:-
"That the Council approves of the County Surveyor's Report on the Cross River Drainage Scheme and invite detailed inspection from the Board of Works."

The Secretary stated that the total amount of rates outstanding for the period ended 31st March 1935, was £13,628. 9. 8 and asked the County Council to take definite action against the Collectors who have amounts outstanding
Proposed by Councillor J. Keaveney.
Seconded by Councillor A. Hogg.
And Resolved:-
"That all Rate Collectors have their outstanding accounts closed by the 19th October or hand in their resignations".

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor J. D. O'Farrell,
And Resolved:-
"That the Secretary having reported that some Collectors have not yet completed their Bonds according to the Public

Bodies

Bodies Order, all such Defaulters be informed that their services must be dispensed with if they do not comply with the Order.

The Secretary read a letter received from the Secretary of the Sligo County Council re the Collection of rates through the Post Office :- Order Advertise for Rate Collectors in No. 1 Collection District in Boyle and No. 3 in Carrick-on-Shannon.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Brannain
Seconded by Councillor J. D. O'Farrell.
And Resolved :-
"That the Local Government Department be asked to allow the Secretary to collect the outstanding arrears in Collector Geraghty's District. The Secretary be allowed to engage a clerk at the usual poundage."

Proposed by Councillor John D. O'Farrell
Seconded by Councillor Edward Kline.
And Resolved :-
"That the Minister for Local Government be asked to sanction payment of poundage fees to Collector Denis Hanly for the year

year ended 31st March, 1925; and to Collector Connaghton for the half-year ended 31st March 1925 as both Collectors have lodged the full amount of their Warrants, at eightpence in the £."

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

"That Collector P. J. Shanagher having closed his Collection for March 1925 (both moieties included) within six months, the Local Government Department be asked to allow poundage at the rate of 8d in the £"

Proposed by Councillor John Burke,
Seconded by Councillor Owen Bull,
And Resolved:-

"That we ask the Minister for the Local Government to sanction payment of 2d in the £ extra to Collectors Miss Brogan, L. O'Hara and M. Murray on their Collections for the year ended 31st March 1925. In doing so we would refer the Minister to his letter No. G. 25122 of the 28th May last and point out that Collector Murray lodged the full amount of

of his second moiety within ten weeks from the date of closing the first moiety. Miss Croghan lodged the full amount of both moieties within eight months. Collector O'Hara is one of our best Collectors and closed both moieties in a little over nine months."

The Secretary reported that sanction of the Ministry of Local Government and Public Health would be required to the County Council Overdraft and the following resolution was passed thereon:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor E. Moran.
And Resolved:-

"That we ask the Local Government Department to agree to a continuance of our Overdraft to date of next Meeting - 19th October."

Proposed by Councillor J. Keaveney.
Seconded by Councillor Andrew Hogg.
And Resolved:-

"That we appoint a Committee consisting of Messrs. Waters, Mc. Grail & Creaton and D. Creaton to consider the Refund of

of Rate Collector Baron and submit Report to next Meeting of County Council"

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waldron
Seconded by Councillor M. H. Grogan.
And Resolved:-

"That the speed limit of Motor Cars, Lorries and Motor Bicycles in the Towns of Roscommon, Boyle, Strokestown, Elphin, Castlerea, Frenchpark and Ballaghaderreen be limited to eight miles per hour and to three miles at dangerous corners". The County Surveyor to see that Limit Boards are erected at once."

The Secretary reported that the total cost of the County Council Elections held in June last amounted to £1142. 5. 11.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Brannain
Seconded by Councillor J. D. O'Farrell
And Resolved:-

"That the Secretary be paid balance of Local Government Election Expenses- £246. 5. 11 out of the Subsidiary Account."

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The following Notice of Motion was handed in:-

(Copy)

"Take Notice that I, or some other Member on my behalf, will move that the Unit of Ballyfermoyle be added to Tumna North and Tumna South, so as to make both Collection areas nearly equal"

(Signed) Andrew Hogg.

(Signed) T. O'Loughlin

Chairman

19 October 1925

Minutes of Proceedings of Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on Monday, 19th October, 1925.

Councillor M. O'Brannan (Chairman) presided, and the following Members were in attendance:- Councillors Neary, Hogg, Drury, Bell, J. Kelly, Keaveney, O'Beirne, Jordan, Grogan, Waters, Mc. Greal, Donegan, Hafferty, Moran, E. Creaton, D. Creaton, Kline, Mc. Dermott, O'Farrell, Mc. Cann, Kangley, W. Flynn, Donnelly, Killian, Burke, J. Flynn, Allen, D. J. Kelly, Millar and Ledwith.

The Minutes were read by the Secretary and signed by the Chairman.

The following correspondence from the Department of Local Government and Public Health was submitted:-

Letter No. G 36005-25 re complaint by a ratepayer - Mr. John Higgins against Collector Drury.
Order:- Messrs. Higgins & Drury be asked to attend next

Meeting

Meeting for explanation."
Letter No. G. 44142-25 re complaint by a ratepayer - Mr. P. Gordon against Collector Shanagher
Order:- Messrs. Shanagher and Gordon be asked to attend next Meeting for explanation"
No. 35654 Auditors Report on the Accounts of the Roscommon County Council for the period ended 30th September, 1923.
No. R.M. 25 re Mr. J. J. Donnellan's complaint re condition of streets in front of his premises. Order:- "Read"
No. F. 35898 re expenses incurred in the preperation of the Register of Electors.
P. H. 46066 re National Tuberculosis Grant and asking the County Council to formulate a Scheme. Order:- "Already dealt with."
Explanatory Circular of the 4th October re Local Government Act of 1925.
G. 43004 re travelling expenses of Members of the County Council and of approved Committees:-

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor John Drury
Seconded by Councillor J. Keaveney.
And Resolved:-
"That in view of the Regulations governing the allowances for travelling etc. and the requirements of Members having to give a definite number of hours attendance at Meetings of County Council and it's respective Committees. We, the Roscommon County Council hereby protest against the spirit of economy which has prompted our Ministry to endeavour to secure economy in public expenditure by such means. Many of us have given many years public service without any allowances and we consider the present regulations as nothing less than an insult for Members should at least get the entire travelling expenses or nothing. Copies to be sent to Y.D.S. for County and to the Dail."
Letter No. 46265 re loan of £2000.
for steam-rolling Castlerea Streets and stating same is a County-at-Large charge.
G. 28496 giving sanction for collection

collection of arrears of rates in District No. 24 (Roscommon)
Letter No. R.D. 201 circular re Main Roads in the County.
R.D. 25 stating that all Public Roads in the County Roscommon are County-at-Large Charges.

Proposed by Councillor John Drury
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waldron
And Resolved:-
"That the claims of Messrs. M. Dermott and Cox for fees and compensation during the occupation of the Workhouse, Boyle, by British Military be referred to a committee of the Council from the County Electoral area of Boyle. That to form a quorum and the committee to report to next Meeting of the Council."

The following correspondence from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction was submitted:-
Letter No. L. 3490 stating that the Department cannot agree with the Report of the Diseases of Animals Acts Committee

Committee at their Meeting held on the 1st August 1925. Mr. Malone, Veterinary Inspector from the Department appeared before the Council and explained the Department's requirements in the matter:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor John Drury.
And Resolved:-

"That the Diseases of Animals Acts Committee (the whole Council) be called together one hour before the hour fixed for the next Meeting to further consider the Sheep Dipping Scheme for the County".

Proposed by Councillor D. Creaton.
Seconded by Councillor M. H. Grogan.
And Resolved:-

"That a Sub-Committee consisting of the following be appointed to inquire into the Suspension of John Crean, Dipping Inspector. Messrs. Hayes and Crean to be brought before the Committee and report to the next Meeting of the Council. Sub-Committee:- Messrs. M. McDermott, E. Creaton, Hafferty, Moran and Mc. Geal".

Letter

Letter No. L. 3412-25 re Sale of Food and Drugs Acts and samples of butter purchased from Miss Nora Kenny, Aghadrestan, Loughglynn. Order:- "Attention to be drawn to the matter".

Letter No. 3853 sanctioning the appointment of Sheep-Dipping Inspectors for the coming year.

Letter No. L. 3049-25 enclosing copy of Protection of Animals Act, 1911. Order:- "Attention to be drawn to matter, two D.S.'s to be acquainted".

Letter from Mr. Andrew Lavin, T.D. enclosing copy of the Minister's reply to the Council's resolution re Defaulting Land Purchase Annuitants:-

Proposed by Councillor Denis Keaton,
Seconded by Councillor John O'Farrell,
And Resolved:-

"That we hereby ask the Land Commission to instruct the State Solicitor to put up for sale the holdings of ten of the largest Defaulters under the Land Purchase Act in the County".

Letters from the Department of Finance stating that the

following

following amounts have been awarded for destroyed bourthouses in the bounty:- Ballaghadereen, £1000. Strokestown £1180. and Frenchpark £550. also letter from the Board of Works re Ballaghadereen bourthouse were submitted. Order:- "Plans and Specifications to be prepared at once advertisements issued and tenders taken on the 10th November next."

Letter from Mr. James Cox, ex-Clerk of Boyle No. 1 Rural District Council tendering his resignation and asking the County Council to fix superannuation:-

Proposed by Councillor M. H. Grogan.
Seconded by Councillor M. O' Braonain.
And Resolved:-

That Mr. James Cox, retired Clerk the Boyle Union and District Council be granted a Pension of £183, calculated on a full two-thirds of his salary."

"The following Notice of Motion was moved by Mr. Killian:-

(Copy).

I, or some other Member on my behalf, will move that all inconvenient Polling Stations be re-arranged.

(Signed) Michael Killian.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Killian.
Seconded by Councillor William Donnelly.
And Resolved:-
"That the Cloonown Division poll in Cloonown School instead of Cornafulla as heretofore. That Taughmaconnell Division poll in Dundonnell School instead of Ballymintan. That Tunrock, Dyark and Taghboy poll in Thomas Street."

Proposed by Councillor Edward Cline.
Seconded by Councillor Joseph McGann.
And Resolved:-
"That Kilglass South Polling Station be changed from Rooskey School to Slatta School and Kilbride North be changed from Aghnaderry to Carnalasson, and that Bumlin be changed from Stokestown School to Northyard School."

Proposed by Councillor M. J. McDermott.
Seconded by Councillor John Flynn.
And Resolved:-
"That (Kilglass So) Rossmore Polling Booth be transfered from Clooneyquinn to Elphin."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Brannan.
Seconded by Councillor M. H. Grogan.
And Resolved:-
That Athleague East poll in Scardane School instead of Athleague."

Proposed by Councillor John Kelly.
Seconded by Councillor James Neary.
And Resolved:-
"That Kilmacumsey and Edesnaw poll in the one Booth at Ballinameen."

Proposed by Councillor John Drury.
Seconded by Councillor Joseph McKeown.
And Resolved:-
"That Tumnagh Division poll at St. Patricks Hall, Boyle. Rushfield Division at the Grange N. School, and Greve (Carrick-on-Shannon) poll at Boherroe N. School."

Proposed by Councillor M. H. Grogan.
Seconded by Councillor James Donegan.
And Resolved:-
"That Polling Stations be held in Fortaugustus School and Treen School, both in the Coolaghey Division, Castlrea District."

The following Notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Killian was moved by him:-

(Copy).

"I, or some other Member on my behalf shall move, that the Secretary forward to the State Solicitor a list of all defaulters owing two or more instalments to the Land Commission and charged to the County Council with a request to be furnished with particulars as to what steps have been taken by the Land Commission to recover the

amounts due. Also to be furnished with Reports from the Sheriff if any, thereon."

(Signed) Michael Killian.

Proposed by Councillor Michael Killian.
Seconded by Councillor Edward Cline.

And Resolved:-

"That the Secretary forward to the (Secretary) State Solicitor a list of all Defaulters owing two or more instalments to the Land Commission and charged to the County Council with a request to be furnished with particulars as to what steps have been taken by the Land Commission to recover the amounts due. Also to be furnished with reports from the Sheriff if any, thereon."

Mr. Killian's Notice of Motion relative to ex-Collector Fleming was withdrawn by him.

The following Notice of Motion was moved by Councillor John Drury:-

(Copy)

"I hereby give notice that at the next Meeting of the County Council, I, or some other Member on my behalf, will move, that with a view to utilise the vacant Workhouse buildings in this County, the County Council hereby consents to take such action as may be necessary to deal with these concerns as follows:- "That the Boyle Workhouse premises or such portion thereof as may not be

required for an Hospital be converted into an Industrial School for boys. The Stokestown Workhouse in like manner to be converted into a similar school for girls, both institutions to be placed under the charge of a Religious Order, and that the Castlerea Workhouse premises be converted into an Agricultural School for the purpose of providing facilities for Agricultural Instruction for boys and girls over 14 years of age, who desire to follow an Agricultural career. And that in the event of this resolution being adopted by the Council, a Committee of the Council in conjunction with any other Authorities as the Council may approve, be appointed to draft a Scheme suitable to the requirements of the County, such Scheme to be afterwards submitted to the County Council for approval or amendment, and that application be made to the Ministers of Lands and Education for Grants in aid of this proposal and the Department of Agriculture be asked to assist in promoting the Scheme."

(Signed) John Drury.

Proposed by Councillor John Drury.
Seconded by Councillor John Keaveney.

And Resolved:-

"That the Notice of Motion standing in my name be amended to read that the Boyle Workhouse Buildings or such portion thereof as may not be required for the use of the Hospital be available for use as an Agricultural and Technical School and that an Industrial School for boys under the charge of some Religious Community be established in either Stokestown or

Castlerea.

That the paragraph relating to Boyle Workhouse be referred to a Committee viz. Messrs Leaveney. Hogg, Neavy, Cull. Kelly. Drury. to draft a Scheme for this purpose to be submitted to nesch Meeting of this Council."

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

(Copy)

"~~Take~~ "Take Notice that I, or some Councillor on my behalf shall move at the nesch Meeting of the County Council that a public inquiry be held into the finances and expenditure of the Council."

(Signed) Patrick T. Jordan.

Proposed by Councillor P. T. Jordan.
Seconded by Councillor John O' Farrell.

And Resolved:-

"That a public inquiry be held into the finances and expenditure of all departments under the administration of the Roscommon County Council and that a Special Meeting be held, at which no other business be transacted, all officials to attend. Meeting to be held on Saturday, 31st October, at 11.30. a.m."

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

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(Copy).

"Take Notice that I, or some other Member on my behalf, will move that the unit of Ballyfermoyle be added to Tumna North and Tumna South, so as to make both Collection areas nearly equal."

(Signed) Andrew Hogg.

Proposed by Councillor Andrew Hogg.
Seconded by Councillor Owen Cull.

And Resolved:-

"That the unit of Ballyfermoyle be added to Tumna North and Tumna South Rate Collection area so as to equalise both areas."

Applications for the vacant Rate Collectorship for No. 1 Collection District, Boyle Rural District, were received from the following:- Messrs Batty Moran, Grosana, Knockvicar, Boyle. Michael Martin, Derrenadonglas, Derrenargon, Carrick-on-Shannon. Thomas Hunt, Smuttermagh, Corrigeenroe, Boyle. Patrick Quinn, Kieltystown, Doon, Boyle, and Michael McManus, Lower Rover, Boyle.

Proposed by Councillor John Keaveney.
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Ledwith.

"That Mr. McManus be appointed Rate Collector for the Boyle No. 1. Area."

Proposed by Councillor John Drury.
Seconded by Councillor P. T. Jordan.

"That Mr Tom Hunt be

appointed Rate Collector for Boyle No. 1. Area."

Proposed by Councillor M. J. McDermott.
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly.
"That Mr. Quinn be appointed Rate Collector for the Boyle No. 1. Area."

Proposed by Councillor A. Hogg.
Seconded by Councillor W. Flynn.
"That Michael Martin be appointed Rate Collector for Boyle No. 1. Collection."

Proposed by Councillor Joseph McGrann.
Seconded by Councillor Owen Cull.
"That for No. 1 Collection District in Boyle, Mr. B. Moran, Crossna be appointed."

On a Poll being taken the following voted for McManus:- Councillor Keaveney.

The following voted for Martin:- Councillors Hogg. O'Beirne. E. Creaton, Cline, and W. Flynn.

The following voted for Moran:- Councillors Cull. J. Kelly. Waters, McGreal. Donegan. Hafferty, Moran McGrann, Wangle. Killian, and Burke.

The following voted for Hunt:- Councillors Drury. Jordan, and Allen.

The following voted for Quinn:- Councillors Neary Grogan. D. Creaton. McDermott. Donnelly. J. Flynn. D. J. Kelly. and Jedwith.

Messrs McManus and Hunt then fell out and a Second poll was taken, the voting being as follows:-

For Martin:- Councillors Hogg. Drury. O'Beirne

E. Keaton, Cline, O'Farrell, W. Flynn, and Allen.

For Moran:- Councillors Cull, T. Kelly, Wales, McGreal, Donegan, Hafferty, Moran, McGrann, Nangle, Killian, & Burke.

For Quinn:- Councillors Neary, Grogan, D. Keaton, McDermott, Donnelly, T. Flynn, D. T. Kelly, and Leduith.

As Messrs Martin and Quinn secured an equal number of votes a further Poll was taken with the following result:-

For Martin:- Councillors Hogg, Drury, O'Beirne, Jordan, McGreal, Donegan, Hafferty, E. Keaton, Cline, Nangle, O'Farrell, W. Flynn, and Allen.

For Quinn:- Councillors Neary, T. Kelly, Grogan, D. Keaton, McDermott, McGrann, Donnelly, Killion, Burke, T. Flynn, D. T. Kelly, and Leduith.

Mr. Quinn's name was then deleted and the final poll between Messrs Martin and Moran resulted as follows:-

For Moran:- Councillors Cull, T. Kelly, Grogan, Wales, McGreal, Donegan, Hafferty, Moran, D. Keaton, McGrann, Nangle, Donnelly, Killion, Burke, T. Flynn, and Leduith.

For Martin:- Councillors Neary, Hogg, Drury, O'Beirne E. Keaton, Cline, McDermott, O'Farrell, W. Flynn, and Allen.

Mr. Moran was then declared "Elected" and the following resolution was carried:-

Proposed by Councillor Joseph McGrann.
Seconded by Councillor Owen Cull.

And Resolved:-

"That for No. 1 Collection Distrikt, Boyle, Mr. B. Moran, Crossna be appointed.

Applications from the following for the position of Rate Collector for No. 3. Collection District, in Carrick-on-Shannon No. 2 Rural District were received:- Messrs Joseph Armstrong, Annaghbeg, Leitrim, Michael Gray, Drumdoe, Mohill. James Glynn, Oghill, Knockvicar, Boyle, and Patrick Quinn, Kiltystown. Doon, Boyle.

Mr. Quinn withdrew his name from the list of Applicants and the following resolution was passed:-

Proposed by Councillor John Keaveney.
Seconded by Councillor John Drury.
And Resolved:-

"That Mr. James Glynn, be appointed Rate Collector for Carrick-on-Shannon No. 3. Collection District."

The Secretary reported that a sum of £8197-0-10 was outstanding in rates in respect of the year ended 31st March, 1925, and stated that the following Collectors had not complied with the Council's Order to have closed by to-day:- Messrs B. V. Doyle, Rogers, Dolan, and Egan.

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

"That Rate Collectors not having their Accounts closed to date get until the next Meeting - 31st October to clear."

The Secretary also reported Collectors Rogers and Egan for neglecting to attend before the Checker.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor T. D. O'Farrell.
And Resolved:-
"That Collectors Rogers and Egan be asked for an explanation for not attending the Checker."

Proposed by Councillor D. T. Kelly.
Seconded by Councillor M. Kilhan.
And Resolved:-
"That we ask the Minister for Local Government to sanction payment of poundage to Collectors P. T. Fallon, Thomas Fleming, M. P. Rake, and T. Crawley who have closed their Collections for the year ended 31st March, 1925."

Proposed by Councillor John Flynn.
Seconded by Councillor D. T. Kelly.
And Resolved:-
"That we ask the Minister for Local Government to sanction payment at 2d in the £ extra to James Murray on the amount of his warrant for the year ended 31st March, 1925, as he lodged the full amount of same within eight months from the date he received it."

Proposed by Councillor P. T. Waters.
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Braonain.
And Resolved:-
"That the Minister for Local Government and Public Health be asked to consider Collector Barron's Refund lists for the years ended 31st March, 1921, 1922, 1923, and 1924, at his earliest.

convenience in order that this Collector may get his Books for the year ended March 1925.
We have gone carefully into Carron's Lists and have only allowed the items which in our opinion are strictly irrecoverable."

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. T. Waters.
And Resolved:-
"That the Collectors Refund Lists be forwarded to the Ministry of Local Government and Public Health for their approval."

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors William Flynn and McDermott was moved:-

(Copy).

"Take Notice that I, or some Member on my behalf, will move at the nesch Meeting of the County Council, that the Council take advantage of the provisions of the Housing Facilities Act. 1925 in order to build the Labourers Houses at Elphin which were approved and for which plots were acquired by the late Roscommon District Council.
(Signed) William Flynn.
Michael T. McDermott.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain.
Seconded by Councillor M. H. Grogan.
And Resolved:-
"That the following constitute a Committee to draft a Scheme for

taking advantage of the Housing Act:- Messrs Flynn. Donegan. Hafferty. O'Farrell. McDermott. Burke. McEvans, Keaveney and Killain.

Meeting to be held on the 10th. November at 10. a. m.

A letter of which the following is a copy from the Co. Surveyor re Sudden Damage was submitted by the Secretary:-

(Copy).

Co. Surveyor's Office.
Courthouse, Roscommon.
October, 17th 1925.

The Secretary,
Roscommon Co. Council.

Sudden Damage Proposals.

A Chara,

I have been informed by the Auditor that it is necessary to have the sanction of the County Council to the spending of all monies under Sudden Damage.

I accordingly wish to bring before them the following proposals under Sudden Damage at their meeting on the 19th instant:-

1. To rebuild a small bridge on the Trunk Road T. 34. near Clooneyquinn. Cost not to exceed £50. This is on a very important road and badly needs doing.
2. Repairs to a gullet at junction of road Nos 138 & 140 Roscommon District at Derrane. Cost £7. 15. 0
3. Repairs to Cunny Bridge, Athlone District at

junction of roads Nos 76 and 77. Cost £5.

4. Building a retaining wall on road No. 30. Athlone. Cost £10.

5. Broken down sewer on road No. 56. Roscommon District. Cost £3.5.0.

6. Repairs to broken down Bridge near Kilglass. Cost £1.10.

7. Building a gullet on Road No. 24. Carrick-on-Shannon Rural District. Cost £13.13.2.

8. Bridge on road No. 12. Roscommon Rural District Cost £4.

9. Bridge on Road No. 32. Roscommon Rural District Cost £6.18.1.

These latter (Nos. 2 to 8) have already been done but as I had not the Council's sanction before I now wish to have the expenditure sanctioned.

Is mise, le meas.

(Signed) Michael Verney.

Co. Surveyor.

The following order was made on above "Approved"

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain.

Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters.

And Resolved:-

"That the Co. Surveyor's applications for Sudden Damage be approved of."

The following correspondence from the Co. Surveyor was also submitted by the Secretary:-

(Copy).

Co. Surveyor's Office

Roscommon.

19th October 1925.

The Secretary,

Roscommon Co. Council.

Re Raising of Public Road near Tom Copelys. Termon.

A Chara,

In my report to the County Council for the quarter ended 30th June 1925. I brought under their notice a letter which I had received from Mr. Thomas Copely of Termon, Castlerea, objecting to the raising of the road for a distance of about 120 yards between his house in Termon and the river.

A proposal to do this was passed by the Castlerea Rural District Council in February, 1925. He complains that in the event of any flooding occurring to his house and lands by doing this he will hold the Council responsible. I stopped the Contractor and wrote to the Council's Solicitor and he advised me to bring the matter before the County Council and act on their resolution.

At that time the Council made no ruling on the matter and as I am anxious to get the work started at once if it is to be done, I would be glad if you bring this before them at their Meeting on the 19th instant in order to get their ruling on it.

Is mise, le meas.
(Sgd). Michael Verney.
Co. Surveyor.

Order:- "Work to be proceeded with."

Proposed by Councillor E. Moran.
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters.
And Resolved:-
"That the raising of the

road near Thomas Copely's in Fermon, Castlea be proceeded with."

(Copy).

Co. Surveyor's Office.
Courthouse, Roscommon.
19th October, 1925.

The Secretary,
Roscommon Co. Council.

A Chara,

I have received a Claim from the Great Southern Railways Company for Railway Sleepers used in the temporary repairs to Ballymurray Bridge.

This Bridge was blown up about January 1922 and the temporary repairs were done by the Military at the time. It was they who took the sleepers. Recently when building the bridge permanently the Contractor used the timber which was there for centering Etc. The sleepers are now no use having been under the bridge for three years.

I desire to have the ruling of the County Council as to whether or not we should pay the claim, or the Military Authorities.

Kindly bring it before them at the Meeting on Monday the 19th instant.

Is mise, le meas,
(Sgd.) Michael Verney.
Co. Surveyor.

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor Wm. Hafferty.
And Resolved:-

"That the County Surveyor be directed to examine and place a true value on the timber alleged to be taken from and claimed for by the Railway Company."

The Co. Surveyor submitted Reports on a number of the Drainage Applications refered to him, and the following resolutions were passed:-

Proposed by Councillor M. J. McDermott.
Seconded by Councillor William Flynn.

And Resolved:-

"That we approve of the Co. Surveyors recommendations for the Drainage of Carrigeen river and direct our Secretary have Maps etc forwarded to the proper authority for their attention."

Proposed by Councillor M. J. McDermott.
Seconded by Councillor William Flynn.

And Resolved:-

"That we approve of the Co. Surveyor's recommendations for the drainage from Tartan bogs flowing into Longhally and we direct the Secretary to have Maps etc. forwarded to the proper Authority for their attention."

Proposed by Councillor James Neary.
Seconded by Councillor Patrick McNeal.

And Resolved:-

"That Drainage in Bracklon and Mullinduff be carried out by the Board of Works."

Proposed by Councillor John O'Farrell.
Seconded by Councillor E. Cline.

And Resolved:-

"That the Drainage Scheme in Brierfield approved of by the Co. Surveyor be carried out."

Proposed by Councillor P. T. Jordan.
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters.

And Resolved:-

"That the Council approve of the Co. Surveyor's Report on the Cloonsheever. Castlera, Drainage Scheme and invite inspection from the Board of Works on the matter."

Proposed by Councillor P. T. Jordan.
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters.

And Resolved:-

"That the Council approve of the Co. Surveyor's Report on the Keelbanada Drainage Schemes and invite inspection from the Board of Works on the matter."

Proposed by Councillor P. T. Jordan.
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters.

And Resolved:-

"The Council approve of the County Surveyors Report on the Fossergool Drainage and invite inspection by the Board of Works."

Proposed by Councillor P. T. Jordan.
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters.

And Resolved:- "That the

Council approve of the County Surveyor's Report on the Buckhill and Aughurine Drainage Scheme and invite inspection by Department."

Proposed by Councillor P. T. Jordan.
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters.
And Resolved:-
"That the Council approve of the Surveyor's Report on the Lisduff and Frenchpark Drainage Scheme and invite inspection by the Board of Works."

Proposed by Councillor M. Kilkian,
Seconded by Councillor P. T. Jordan.
And Resolved:-
"That the Roscommon County Council ask the Board of Works if anything is being done about the Drainage Schemes already forwarded for the Athlone District."

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters.
Seconded by Councillor James Neary.
And Resolved:-
"That Mr. Jack Gordon's name be added to the Ballaghaderreen Pension Committee."

Proposed by Councillor Edward Kline.
Seconded by Councillor John D. O'Farrell.
And Resolved:-
"That the Department be informed that this Council desire to bring a system of Contract and maintenance of all roads in this

County that are not Main or Trunk Roads into operation on the 1st January next and the Council request the Department to facilitate them in the execution of this desire, and express consent at an early date, and the Co. Surveyor is directed to then draft such a Scheme for submission to the Co. Council at a Meeting to be called specially for the purpose."

Proposed by Councillor John Keaveney.
Seconded by Councillor Edward Cline.
And Resolved:-

"That this Council viewing with grave alarm the keen competition we are up against from foreign countries concerning Agricultural produce and the consequent all round depression in the price of all our stock, and fully realising the absolute necessity of the Government introducing at an early date legislation providing for the better training of the youth on the most up to date and scientific methods of Agriculture, if our Country is to be saved from ruin. Pending the framing and introduction of such legislation we request the Government to have the recent articles appearing in the "Independent" concerning Agriculture in Denmark put into book form and introduced as one of the Books to be studied in all the Primary Schools of the Free State, by all pupils from the third standard upwards.

Copies of this resolution to be sent to the President of the Free State, the Minister of Education and the County T. Do. respectively, requesting their earnest attention be given to the subject matter of this resolution."

Letter from Mr. M. Connolly, Ballygar, claiming £6 for wages lost owing to horse slipping on Steam-rolled road on Athleague side of Roscommon Railway Bridge was submitted and refered to Co. Solicitor."

All other correspondence was marked "Read."

M. O'Gara Chairman.

10th Nov 1926

Minutes of Proceedings of Special Meeting of the Roscommon Co. Council held at the Courthouse, Roscommon, on the 31st October, 1925.

Mr. Jordan presided and the Members were in attendance:- Councillors Keaveney, O'Beirne, McGreal, Donegan, Moran, E. Keaton, McDermott, O'Farrell, Wm. Flynn, and Allen.

Proposed by Councillor John O'Farrell.
Seconded by Councillor Patk. T. Jordan.
And Resolved:-
"That we learn with regret of the death of Mr. John McDonnell, proprietor of the "Roscommon Journal" who had been so long associated as a pressman with Meetings of the Roscommon Co. Council, and we offer an expression to Mrs McDonnell of our deep sympathy with her in her great loss. Copy of this resolution to be forwarded to her."

Proposed by Councillor Patrick McGreal.
Seconded by Councillor William Flynn.
And Resolved:-
"That we request the Members of the Co. Home Committee to thoroughly investigate the finances and expenditure of that Institution."

Proposed by Councillor P. T. Jordan.
Seconded by Councillor M. J. McDermott.
And Resolved:-
"That we call upon

the Members of the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Committee to hold a joint Meeting with the Galway Members to inquire into the expenditure and finances of that Institution."

Proposed by Councillor P. T. Jordan.
Seconded by Councillor John Keaveney.
And Resolved:-

"That any Councillor or ratepayer who has a complaint to make against any Ganger or Labourer should submit it to the County or Deputy Surveyor in writing and signed by himself."

M O Fraonáin
Chairman.
6.2.26

Minutes of Proceedings of Quarterly Meeting of the Roscommon County Council held at the Courthouse Roscommon on Tuesday, the 10th November, 1925.

Councillor M. O'Braonain, Chairman, presided and the following Members were in attendance:- Councillors Neary, Hogg, Drury, J. Kelly, Keaveney, O'Beirne, Jordan, Waters, Grogan, McGreal, Donegan, Hafferty, Moran, E. Creaton, D. Creaton, Cline, McDermott, McCrann, W. Flynn, Donnelly, Killian, Burke, J. Flynn, Allen, D. J. Kelly and Ledwith.

Proposed by Councillor M. H. Grogan, Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters.

And Resolved:-

"That the Minutes be taken as read."

The following correspondence from the Department of Local Government & Public Health was submitted:

Circular No. 49401/25 of the 22nd October re appointment of County Medical Officer of Health.

Letter No. H. 476/31053/25 of the 28th October re sale of Artisans' houses to the tenants

Tenants and stating the Department could not approve of the Tenants terms:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor Wm. Flynn
And Resolved:-
"That the Roscommon Town Committee be requested to furnish all figures and books for inspection if necessary relating to the Artisans' dwellings with a view to having the matter of a purchase Scheme for those Houses put up".
Proposed by Councillor Joseph McCann
Seconded by Councillor Edward Moran
And Resolved:-
"That this County Council believe that the present arrangement whereby the affairs of the Town of Roscommon are vested in a Committee appointed by the County Council is unsatisfactory and against the will of the majority of the people. We therefore request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to order that an election for Town Commissioners be held as soon as arrangements can be made to do so".
Letters Nos. 51164 and 50865 of the 29th October and 2nd November re Collector Wm Carson's Refund lists were submitted and the following Resolution was passed thereon:-
Proposed

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters.
And Resolved :-
"That Collector Barons Refund Lists be returned to the L. G. Dept. for further consideration as Mr. Carson's lists were carefully gone into on two occasions and we consider under the circumstances which existed in the District when Collector Baron took up his duties, that he has done remarkably well and the treatment meted out to him by the L. G. Dept is altogether unjustified."
Letter No. G. 50946 sanctioning payment of £32.4 expenses incurred in preparing Franchise and Jurors Lists.
Letter No. M. T. 209/25 recoupment of expenses in connection with the Registration and licensing of Mechanically Propelled Road Vehicles.
Circular No. R. D. 220 re Heavy Motor Cars and reduction in maximum laden weight.
Letter No. G. 50810 of the 2nd November sanctioning payment of poundage fees at 8d to certain Rate Collectors.
Letter No. R. M. 25 re Mr. J. J. Donnellan's complaint on the condition of the road outside his premises. Order :- "Mr. Patterson Mahon to be written to"
Letter No. G. 53274 of the 9th November giving certain Rate Collectors until the

the 30th November to close their Accounts
Order:- "Approved"
Auditor's Reports on the Accounts
of various Local Authorities were
submitted initialled by the Chairman:-

The following correspondence
from the Department of Agriculture
was submitted:-
Letter No L.3490 re Sheep-Dipping in the
County and stating that the Department
are not prepared to sanction any
reduction in the number of dippings
or in the number of Inspectors.
The following Report of the Diseases
of Animals Acts Committee was submitted
Copy Report of Diseases of Animals Acts
Committee held on the 10th November 1925:-
Mr. E. Shine in the Chair. Present:-
Messrs. D. J. Kelly, M. N. Grogan, D. Creaton
J. McCann, J. Flynn, W. Hafferty,
M. J. McDermott, W. Flynn, J. Allen, J. O'Beirne
J. Kelly, P. Ledwith, E. Creaton, P. J. Jordan,
and P. McGreal.
1. That two Dippings take place
during the Autumn Dipping period com-
mencing 1st August and ending not
later than the 15th September.
2. Proposed by Councillor J. Allen
Seconded by Councillor P. Ledwith.
And Resolved:-
"That the Sheep-Dipping
Inspectors remain as they are, viz. 8 for South
Roscommon

Roscommon and 4 for North Roscommon.
3. That Mr. Crean's dismissal be confirmed.

(Signed) Edward Kline (Chairman)

"Approved" M. O'Braonain. 10th Nov. 1925

Proposed by Councillor P. J. Waters.
Seconded by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
And Resolved:-

"That the Report of the Diseases of Animals Acts Committee be adopted."

Letter No. 20591 from the Office of Public Works, Dublin, stating that when Engineers would be free they would inspect the proposed Drainage Schemes in the Athlone District:-

Proposed by Councillor P. T. Jordan,
Seconded by Councillor James Neary,
And Resolved:-

"That we call upon the Board of Public Works to employ engineers to carry out the drainage inspection in this County immediately and thereby provide employment at the present time."

Letter No. 20591 from the Office of Public Works stating that the County Council have not given the undertaking required by Section 3 (3) c of the Act concerning maintenance of Districts if formed:-

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor M. H. Grogan,
And Resolved:-

"That

"That the Roscommon County Council undertakes under Section 3 (3) c to maintain the Drainage Works constructed in the several Drainage Districts already sent forward for further investigation namely:- Corboola & Sandfield, Drumlosh & Moore, Hind, Cross, Carrigeen, Tartan bogs, Brackloon & Mullinduff, Brierfield, Cloonsheever, Keelbanada, Lissergool, Buckhill and Aughahurnine, Lisduff & Frenchpark, Annagh and Lurgan, Feorish, Shanballybawn, Easkey, Bealreagh, River from Cuiltyshinnoge to Corralara, Lisadorn, Rathmore, Cloonlatieve, Cloonfad, Drumconny, Behy, Clooncoose, Athleague, Elphin, Lanesboro, Tartan and Tinnacarra

The County Surveyor submitted a further list of proposed Drainage Schemes:- Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain, Seconded by Councillor John Drury,

And Resolved:-

"That the Drainage Schemes for the following Districts favourably reported on by the County Surveyor be adopted and further detailed investigation be invited:- Annagh and Lurgan, Feorish, Shanballybawn, Easkey, Bealreagh, River from Cuiltyshinnoge to Corralara, Lisadorn, Rathmore, Cloonlatieve, Cloonfad, Drumconny, ~~Lang~~, Behy, Clooncoose, Athleague, Elphin, Lanesboro, Tartan and Tinnacarra"

The following Report of the University Committee

Committee was submitted:-

(Copy)

"That we approve of the Scholarship
"Scheme from Primary to Secondary
"Schools already existing in the
"County without any alterations"

University Committee

"That 3 Scholarships be offered
"for competition instead of 4
"and that the value of same
"be increased from £50 to £65"

(Signed) Thomas Larkin, M. O'Donnell
Padraig Mac Suibsain

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Jordan.

And Resolved:-

"That the Report of the University Committee be adopted".

The Quarterly Report of the Public Analyst was submitted.

The County Surveyor submitted his Report for the Quarter ended the 30th September, 1925 (Copy herewith)

The following Account re Sudden Damage Repairs was submitted from the County Surveyor:-

Copy. Sudden Damage Repairs

Special Works No. 422. February 1925

Gullet on Road No. 3 b. (Castlerea District)

Contract No. 422 repair of by-road No. 3b from off the Main Road from

Castlerea

Castlerea to Frenchpark commencing at Cloonsheever Cross Roads and ending at Road No. 75 at John Noone's in Ballyglass East.
Contractor Barry Regan, Eden, Fairymount
Rebuilding portion of gullet broken down and underpinning remainder — £10.
(Signed) Michael Verney, Co. Surveyor
Order :- "To be paid". M. O'Braonain (Chairman)
10.11.1925

Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain,
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters,
And Resolved :-
"That the Proposals for Payments formulated by the Proposal Committee and this day submitted to our Council be and are hereby approved".

The Secretary reported that the state of the Rate Collection again called for drastic action and he also stated that owing to the apathy of the Collectors an Overdraft would be required to meet the County Council's liabilities:-
Proposed by Councillor John Keaveney,
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Kelly,
And Resolved :-
"That we hereby request the L. G. Dept. to permit this Council to obtain and pay the ordinary rate of interest on an Overdraft from the Treasurer of a sum not to exceed £10,000 While believing that an Overdraft will

will not be required to any considerable extent the Council regard this power of overdrawing as a desirable ~~position~~ provision. The period to extend from the 1st ultimo to the end of February, 1926 The rate of interest referred to above is ½ per cent under Irish Banks rate as operating from time to time"

The Secretary stated that he had collected the sum of £550 in Collector Martin Geraghty's District, leaving a sum of £2618 outstanding of which £1454 is alleged to have been raided, and he asked the County Council to make arrangements for the Collection of the year's rate ending 31st March, 1926:-

Proposed by Councillor Sean De Burca.
Seconded by Councillor Wm. Donnelly.
And Resolved:-

"That a temporary Rate Collector be appointed at next Meeting of the County Council to take up the Rate Collection in Collector Geraghty's Collection District, pending the Courts decision in that case"

"Explanations from Collectors B. V. Doyle, Egan and Rogers re attendance at checking were submitted"

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Donnelly.
Seconded by Councillor John Flynn.
And Resolved:-

That

That we ask the Minister for Local Govt. and Public Health to allow us to pay poundage fees to ex-Collector O'Brien on the amount lodged by him in respect of his Warrants for the half-year ended 31st March 1921, and the year ended 31st March 1922 also whatever registration fees are withheld from him.

We also ask the Minister to sanction poundage at 8d to Collector John Mannion who succeeded O'Brien on the amount of arrears collected and lodged by him in the latter's District as all rates in this Collection District for above period are now lodged to the credit of the County Council with the exception of £86.8.10 which is to be deducted from the fees payable to O'Brien and credited to the Council".

Proposed by Councillor Wm. Donnelly.
Seconded by Councillor J. Mc. Cann.

And Resolved:-

"That we ask the Minister for Local Govt. and Public Health to sanction 2d in the £ extra to Collector James Martin for the half-year ended 31st March, 1922 and the year ended 31st March 1923. Mr. Martin closed his Collection for March 1923 in about seven months from the date on which he took up his Warrant and during the March 1922 half-year he was in delicate health"

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor Michl. Mc Dermott,
Seconded by Councillor William Flynn.
And Resolved:-

"That the Minister for Local Government & Public Health be asked to sanction 2d in the £ extra to Collector M. O. Rorke on the amount of his Collection for the year ended 31st March 1925 We consider it unfair that Mr. Rorke who is an exceptionally good Collector should be deprived of the additional poundage as he met with a severe accident during this Collection period with the result that he was unable to attend to his duties for a considerable time. We also ask the Minister to sanction 2d extra to Collector W. Drury on his Warrants for the years ended 31st March 1924 and 1925 as he has a very poor District and owing to the distress prevailing therein on account of losses sustained from the ravages of the fluke he had to lodge a considerable sum out of his own pocket to close his Collection for the periods mentioned."

Proposed by Councillor O. J. Waters.
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Jordan.
And Resolved:-

"That the Minister for Local Govt. and Public Health be asked to sanction payment of poundage fees to the Reps. of the late Collector John McDermott and

and ex-Collector Nicholas Kelly on the amounts of rates collected and lodged by them for the Ballaghaderreen Collection District, in respect of the half-years ended 31st March 1921, and the years ended 31st March 1922, 1923 and 1924 and also to the present Collector - Mr. Canon - in respect of the amounts collected and lodged by him for those periods"

Letter from Mr. L. E. Callan, Solicitor, Boyle, stating that he was instructed by ex-Collector John Lane to proceed against the Bounty Bounail for a sum of £112-18-8 lodged by him by order of the Bounty Bounail was submitted. Order:- "To be handed Bounty Solicitor". A similar order was made on another letter from Mr. Callan re malicious damage to a horse, the property of a man named Gaffney.

The Secretary stated that he wrote to ex-Collector Jordan re sum of £292-2-9 unaccounted for for the half-year ended 30th September 1925 and he received a reply from Mr. Jordan of which the following is a copy:-

Pound Street, Ballaghaderreen
30th October 1925

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 24th instant was handed

handed to me to-day as it was wrongly addressed.

With reference to the subject matter contained therein re a balance of £292-2-9 (as you say) of the 1st moiety rate for the half-year ended 30th September, 1920 In reply to same I desire to inform you that I owe no such balance but on the contrary, the bounty bounds owes me £601-5-6 and I think it is about time they made this amount good. When this amount is made good I wont have any hesitation in handing over the Collecting Books to the bounty bounds.

Of course if the bounds agents diddled them out of £450. this is a matter for the bounds and the bound had a right to have honest men on the job of that kind why not look these men up? Its funny if the bounds at the time did not know who was acting for them.

Yours sincerely,
(Sgd) Joseph L. Jordan

The Secretary,
Roscommon bounty bounds.

The following order was made on above:- "bounty Solicitor to apply to Mr. Jordan for the amount."

Letter from the Engineer-in-Chief Leitrim House. The Castle, Dublin asking permission

permission to erect telegraphic wire in Baxlerea was submitted. Order:- "Permission to be granted"

Councillor Michael Killian moved the following Notice of Motion:-

(Copy)

"I, or some other Member on my behalf, will move that a printed or typed copy of the Circular Letter from the Minister of Local Government re Orders under Section 86 of the Local Government Act read at Meeting of Council on October 19th be forwarded to each Member of the County Council"

28. 10. 1925 (Signed) Michael Killian

Order:- "Copies to be printed & supplied."

Proposed by Councillor M. Killian,
Seconded by Councillor J. Kelly.

And Resolved:-

"That copies of Circular Letter from Minister of Local Govt. re Orders under Section 86 be sent to each Member of the Council"

Letter from Messrs. Weldon & Co. Solicitors, Merrion Square, Dublin re Bridesmell Courthouse was submitted. Order:- "Courthouse at Bridesmell not used for years and not required".

Letter from Messrs. J. & W. Stanley, Solicitors, Dawson Street, Dublin, re Elphin Courthouse was submitted Order:- "Elphin Courthouse not required"

Letter

Letter from Mr. Wm Flynn, patient in Peamount Sanatorium re Railway fare and clothes was submitted Order:- "To be paid"

Letter from Mr. John Mc. Donagh Asst. Surveyor. Strokestown, claiming £.59 for attending Strokestown Circuit Court on the hearing of Councils claim for the destruction of the Courthouse in Strokestown Proposed by Councillor M. W. Grogan. Seconded by Councillor Wm Flynn, And Resolved:-

"That Mr. Mc. Donagh be paid a sum of Forty Pounds in connection with his Claim for Strokestown Courthouse"

Copies of Town Committee's Minutes and letter from Mr. J. J. Keen, Athlone, were submitted and the minute asking the Council's permission to the erection of a Memorial in the Market Square was marked "Granted". Rate Book of the Town Committee was submitted and signed by Messrs. Allen, O'Baonain and Kline.

Letters from the Sec. of the Irish County Councils General Council, asking the County Council to contribute their Share towards the continuance of the Lectureship in Irish Music in University College. Dublin:-

Proposed

Proposed by Councillor M. Id. Grogan,
Seconded by Councillor P. J. Waters,
And Resolved:-
"That the request of the General Council for a contribution towards the maintenance of the Chair of Irish Music in the National University be acceded to and a sum of six pounds be paid for the purpose"

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Drury re Industrial School in Boyle ex-Workhouse was adjourned to next Meeting, also Notice of Motion re Technical School

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The ratepayers complaining against Collectors Drury & Shanagher did not attend before the County Council as directed at last Meeting:-
Proposed by Councillor M. O'Braonain
Seconded by Councillor John Kelly.
And Resolved:-
"That Collectors Drury and Shanagher be exonerated from all blame in connection with complaints from ratepayers as their accusers have failed to put (appear) in an appearance as requested."

Letter from the Irish Land Commission re sale to the County Council of 23 acres of

of land for £20 was submitted and referred to County Surveyor for report.

The Tender of Messrs. W. Kersie & Co. 14 Westmoreland St. Dublin for supplying 40 Tons of Best Double Screened Wigan Coal at 44/3 per ton was accepted, as it was the lowest tender received.

Proposed by Councillor John Deasy,
Seconded by Councillor John Keaveny.
And Resolved:-

"That we, the Roscommon County Council being the Pension Committee for the County, desire to call the attention of the Local Government Department, Pensions Department, to the obvious inconsistency of the estimates made by Pension Officers when calculating means of a claimant for an Old Age Pension especially in the case of Landholders, when cases have come under our notice of one claimant's support being valued at 4/- per week and in an exactly similar case the value of the claimant's support was valued at 16/- per week. We know as a fact that the average cost of maintenance in a rural community is usually from 4/- to 9/- per week and sometimes less

less and we give our opinion that an estimate of 16/= per week is unjustifiable We further point out that in regard the proceeds realised from the sale of live stock off a farm as being entirely income is not reasonable as allowances should be made for the fact that part of it must be looked upon as the working capital of the farm which must be replaced, otherwise there would be no income in future years.

We believe these points deserve the most careful consideration"

Proposed by Councillor John Keaveney
Seconded by Councillor John Drury.
And Resolved:-

"That any Rate Collector who fails to close his Collection on September 30th and March 31st be dismissed without further notice"

Letter from Mr. M. J. Cassidy District Clerk, Castlerea re grate for his Office in Castlerea Courthouse was submitted Order:- "Refer to County Surveyor"

Notices of Motion of which the following are copies were handed

handed in :-

(Copy)

"That all officials appointed
"and paid by the County
"Council after the 1st January 1926
"be ineligible for pension."

(Signed) John Kelly.

(Copy)

"I beg to give Notice that I,
"or some other Member on my
"behalf, will move at the
"next Meeting of this Council
"in face of the alarming
"increase in rates of recent
"years and fully realising
"how difficult it is for the
"ratepayers meet the increase
"that the salaries of the
"various officials in this
"County including all employees
"of the County Council, be
"reduced Ten per cent with
"a view to effecting some reduction
"in the local expenditure
"during the trying times we
"are passing through. When
"this Motion is being considered
"should the Council so decide,
"that owing to exceptional
"circumstances, any particular
officials

"officials or employees, are
"entitled to exemption, the Council
"may deal with such cases
"on their merits."

(Signed) John Keaveney.

Copy

"I hereby give Notice that I,
"or some Member on my behalf,
"will move at the next
"Meeting of the County Council
"that the Deputy Surveyors get
"a fixed sum, to be fixed by
"the Council in lieu of the
"present system of paying
"expenses per mile as travelling
"expenses."

(Signed) ~~John Keaveney~~
J. O'Beirne

An Order was made fixing date of Special Meeting for consideration of Road Works Scheme etc., for the 24th November.

The preparation of a Housing Scheme under the Housing Act 1925 was referred to the Chairman & Secretary.

The following dates were fixed for the Meetings in the Electoral areas to consider Applications

applications made by Councillors for the repair of by-roads:-

Boyle	Sat. 2nd January. 1926	at Boyle
Roscommon	" 9th "	Roscommon
Castlerea	" 16th "	Castlerea
Elphin	Friday 8th "	Strokestown

Proposal Meeting

Roscommon Monday. February 1st 1926

Quarterly Meeting

Roscommon Wednesday. February 24th 1926

(Signed) M. O'Beaonáin
Chairman.
6. 2. '26