

6th December 1909.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- John Tyghe, Walter Walsh, James J. Stafford, George Hadden.

Councillors:- James Hore, John O'Connor, James Memahon, Benjamin Hughes, Michael Browne, Joseph Kingsberry, Thomas O'Brien, Frank Carty, Nicholas Prendergast, James Goodisson, Patrick Clancy, Richard Gibson, Howard Rowe, Joseph Kelly, Robert Hanton.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £827. 0. 8 were submitted, and having been submitted were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of paying Orders numbered from 351 to 381 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of November 1909, including payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

	Ordinary account.	Loan Account.
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	£ 391 : 17 : 7	- : - : -
Total sums received to close of last month.	678 : 13 : 4	2000 : 0 : 0
TOTAL	1070 : 10 : 11	2000 : 0 : 0
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- : - : -	- : - : 0
Payments ordered at above meeting.	827 : 0 : 8	864 : 1 : 10
TOTAL	827 : 0 : 8	864 : 1 : 10
Net Balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	243 : 10 : 3	1135 : 18 : 2

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	1070 : 10 : 11	2000 : 0 : 0
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	827 : 0 : 8	864 : 1 : 10
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	243 : 10 : 3	1135 : 18 : 2

With reference to minutes of proceedings of Council on 7th September 1908, on which date it was decided to acquire a plot of ground at Distillery Road in order to provide housing accommodation for the working classes, a Deed of Conveyance was produced. This Instrument conveyed from the Community of the Christian Brothers at Wexford their interest as Beneficial Owners of the plot in question to the Council to hold such interest for ever in consideration of the payment of a sum of £450 to the said Community.

Thereupon the Deed was duly executed on the part of the Corporation.

The question of obtaining tenders in respect of the proposed erection of 22 houses on the above plot was considered, as was also the question of engaging the services of a Clerk of Works in connection with the impending building operations, but the



consideration of them was deferred for the present.

An application from Dr. Thomas pierse for an increase of his salary as Medical Officer of Health of Wexford Urban District, was read. The present salary was £16. a year, which, Dr. pierse submitted, was entirely inadequate considering the responsibility and many duties he had to perform. He had as much work to perform as any other Medical Officer of Health in any provincial town in Ireland. In Lisburn the Medical Officer of health had a salary of £30 a year, in Sligo it cost the Urban Council £45 a year for two Officers, and in Lurgan £60 a year for one. He called attention to the fact that since the death of the late Dr. Green the office of Consulting Sanitary Officer for Wexford urban District had lapsed by reason of which the responsibility devolving on him was doubled. In these circumstances he appealed to the sense of justice of the Council to raise the salary to a sum commensurate with the duties.

Thereupon Councillor Hanton proposed that the salary of the Medical Officer of Health be increased by fifteen pounds a year.

The reason the proposer assigned for setting down the increase at this sum was because it was equal in amount to the salary attached to the abolished office of Consulting Sanitary Officer.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Carty.

Alderman Tyghe proposed an amendment to the foregoing motion in the following terms. That the words "fifteen pounds" be struck out of the resolution, and the words "fourteen pounds" be inserted instead.

The object of proposing this amendment was to bring the salary up to an even sum of thirty pounds a year.

The amendment was seconded by Councillor prendergast, but on being put was lost, only five members voting for and twelve against it.

The original motion was then put and carried.

An application from Edward Byrne, Sanitary Sub Officer was read. The applicant had been in the employment of the Corporation for eight years at a salary of £40. a year. He had done his duty to the best of his ability and ventured to hope he had given satisfaction therein. The salary was much below the value of the services rendered. He felt assured the Council would take his case into favourable consideration and give him such an increase of salary as might appear to them to be reasonable.

Councillor O'Connor proposed that the application be granted and the salary increased by £12. a year.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Browne, and on being put to the meeting was carried.

The following resolution on the motion of Councillor prendergast, seconded by Councillor Clancy was adopted.

That a fee of sixpence per case be in future paid to the Town Sergeant for serving summonses in all prosecutions brought under the Towns Improvement Act before the local Borough Court, so as to put him on a footing of equality in respect to his services at this Court with his colleagues in other districts.



The following resolution, proposed by Councillor Clancy, and seconded by Councillor McMahon, was passed.

That such of the streets of the town lying between Wygram Place and Broad of the Baythe as are not already provided with bilingual name plates, be furnished with cast iron name plates bearing Irish and English wording, but that this work be carried only so far as an outlay of £5. will admit.

It was announced that the Finance & Works Committee had had before them a letter from Messrs P. J. O'Flaherty & Son, Solicitors, acting in behalf of John Bolger of Courtclough, Blackwater. This letter, besides containing unfounded charges against the Council of partiality in the matter of accepting tenders in connection with the erection of dwelling houses, also contained an intimation that Mr. Bolger would not perform the work of laying footpaths for which work he was declared contractor on 10th November 1909.

Having regard to this latter fact, attention was drawn, by the receipt of a letter from John Browne contractor for the work of erecting two houses at Carrigeen, to the immediate necessity of removing a rock existing at the point where the footpath was proposed to be laid. He (Mr. Browne) was ready to put in the foundations of the two houses, and it was essential that any blasting operations required should be completed previous to the front walls being erected. Under these circumstances he was prepared to do the work of laying the footpath, which involved the removal of the rock, for a sum of £33. This sum was the price which he had offered to accept on 10th November 1909 in respect of laying the footpath in question. It was seen that Mr. Browne's tender for this work was the next lowest in amount to the amount of Mr. Bolger's tender, and also was £3. 14. 6 below the amount of the Town Surveyor's estimate.

Thereupon on the motion of Aldermen Stafford seconded by Alderman Hadden, it was resolved to accept Mr. Browne's offer to lay the footpath in consideration of his being paid a sum of £33.

A letter read from Mr. Joseph Devlin M. P., general Secretary of the United Irish League contained an invitation to the COUNCIL to appoint four delegates to represent the Council at a Convention to be held in the South Wexford parliamentary Division for the selection of a Parliamentary Candidate in view of the near approach of a GENERAL Election. The names and addresses of the Delegates appointed, which should be resident within the parliamentary Division, were requested to be furnished to the General Secretary as soon as possible.

Thereupon the four following members were appointed as Delegates. Councillor Kelly, Alderman Stafford, Councillor O'Connor, Aldermen Tyghe.

The receipt of a copy of a resolution from the Edenderry Union relating to the Budget of the Parliamentary Session recently prorogued, was announced, but the meeting decided not to permit it to be read.

Arising out of the foregoing matter, the question of the Parliamentary Budget and the action taken thereby by the Wexford Borough Council was discussed and evoked the following resolution, which was proposed by Councillor McMahon and



seconded by Councillor O'Connor.

"That we the members of Wexford Corporation do hereby tender an expression of our very sincere confidence in Mr. John E. Redmond M. P., and the members of the Irish parliamentary Party for their recent action on the Finance Bill.

The motion was put and carried, Councillor Clancy dissenting.

A letter from the Local Government Board dated 12th November 1909, and numbered 133385, was read communicating the approval of the salary of £10 a year proposed to be allowed to the Town Clerk in respect of his services as Registrar in connection with the Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Order of 1908.

*James Sinnott*  
Jan 3/10

3rd. January 1910.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- George Hadden, James J. Stafford, John Tyghe.

Councillors:- Benjamin Hughes, Nicholas Prendergast, Thomas O'Brien, James McMahon, Richard Gibson, Frank Carty, James Hore, Howard Rowe, Michael Browne, Joseph Kingsberry, Robert Hanton.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilites which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £242. 17. 2 were submitted, and having been examined were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of paying Orders numbered form 382 to 395 inclusive:

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended December 1909, including the payments made at this meeting.

#### S U M M A R Y .

	Ordinary Account.	Loan Account.
Balance due by treasurer as per last Statement.	243 : 10 : 3	1135 : 18 : 2
Total sums received to close of last month.	964 : 13 : 11	- : - : -
TOTAL	1208 : 4 : 2	1135 : 18 : 2
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- : - : -	- : - : -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	159 : 18 : 6	82 : 18 : 8
Net Balance due By Treasurer.	1048 : 5 : 8	1052 : 19 : 6

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	1213 : 1 : 4	1135 : 18 : 2
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	164 : 15 : 8	82 : 18 : 8
Net balance as above due by Treasurer.	1048 : 5 : 8	1052 : 19 : 6

Amongst the liabilities was a Bill of Costs from the Corporation Solicitor for legal services rendered by him within the previous twelve months. The Solicitor claimed



payment of a sum of £98. 14. 4. This included an item of £55 which he claimed as his legal fee for services in connection with a Mortgage Deed of £7,000 from the Corporation to the Board of Public Works. The Bill of Costs had been hitherto under the consideration of the Finance & Works Committee on two occasions. The Committee were of opinion that the charge in connection with the Mortgage was excessive, and decided to ask Mr. O'Connor to reduce it to £35. This request he refused stating that he preferred to submit the Bill for taxation, more especially as the sum of £55. was the fee laid down by the Solicitors' Remuneration Act for legal work in connection with a Mortgage Loan of £7,000. The Committee on considering the matter a second time decided to offer him £90 in settlement of the account, and not to require the Bill to be taxed. This offer Mr. O'Connor accepted and the Committee recommended the present meeting to discharge the liability, having regard to the fact that the amount of the Bill was reduced by £8. 14. 4 and taxation fees of £5. or £6. additional were saved.

The recommendation was accordingly adopted.

The following resolution proposed by Alderman Stafford, seconded by Alderman Tyghe was passed.

That advertisements be issued inviting applications from Artizans to act as Clerk of Works during the progress of building operations under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts; that applications be requested to be furnished by Wednesday 19th Instant, and that the services of the man employed be engaged by the week at a wage of 30/- a week.

It was ordered:- That in preparing the next Estimate of Expenses to be defrayed out of Rates, provision be made for treating the surface of the road at Spawell Road and Redmond Road with a steam road roller.

A communication from the Local Government Board, dated 31st December 1909 No 158 M. was read wherein attention was drawn to the provisions of the Health Resorts and Watering Places (Ireland) Act, 1909. This Enactment enabled the Council to advertize the advantages and amenities of the town as a health resort or watering place subject to the limitation that the sums expended in bringing the attractions of the place under the notice of the public should not exceed the sum raised in any year by a rate of 1d. in the Pound.

A letter from the Department of Agriculture &c. in Ireland dated 16th December 1909 No. 39542, was read intimating that an Officer of the Department had recently obtained three samples of butter in the Borough for analysis. The samples were submitted to the public Analyst and they proved to be pure.

The local Inspector of Food and Drugs, Acting Sergeant Donaghy, furnished a report. It appeared he had prosecuted at Petty Sessions on 22nd. Instant, one Edward Breen, farmer, of Kingsford, for selling a sample of buttermilk contrary to the provisions of the Food and Drugs Acts. The offender was convicted and fined in the sum of 5/- with 12/- costs.

The provisions of the Supervision of Food (Ireland) Act, 1908, was brought under the notice of the meeting, and the desirability of adopting Part 1. of the



# Notice of Result of Elections.

## Borough of Wexford

### Election of an Alderman and Councillors for the above Borough in the year 1910.

I the undersigned being the Returning Officer at the election of an Alderman and Councillors for the said Borough, do hereby give notice that the Candidates at the election whose names are entered in Column 6 of the Statements hereunder opposite to the numbers entered in Column 5 have been declared duly elected an Alderman and Councillors respectively and I hereby declare that the persons whose names are entered in the said Column 6 were duly elected Alderman and Councillors respectively for the Wards opposite to their names of which in Column 1 the names of such Candidates are entered.

#### ALDERMAN.

WARD	NAMES OF CANDIDATES		PLACE OF ABODE	Number of Votes Recorded	NAMES OF CANDIDATES ELECTED
	SURNAMES	OTHER NAMES			
1	2	3	4	5	6
St. Selskar	Browne	Michael	Commercial Quay	101	...
St. Selskar	Hughes	Benjamin	North Main Street	200	Benjamin Hughes

#### COUNCILLORS.

WARD	NAMES OF CANDIDATES		PLACE OF ABODE	Number of Votes Recorded	NAMES OF CANDIDATES ELECTED
	SURNAMES	OTHER NAMES			
1	2	3	4	5	6
St. Iberius	Bergin	Myles	Mary Street	72	...
Do.	Byrne	Nicholas	Main Street North	201	Nicholas Byrne
Do.	Ffrench	James	Archerton	147	James Ffrench
Do.	Goodisson	James	John Street	212	James Goodisson
Do	Hanton	Robert	John Street	373	Robert Hanton
Do.	Reid	David	Cornmarket	91	...
St. Mary's	Duggan	Rodolphus	Parnell Street	57	...
Do.	Hore	James	George Street	307	James Hore
Do.	Martin	Michael	Trinity Street	171	...
Do.	Murphy	John	Main Street South	315	John Murphy
St. Selskar	Browne	Michael	Commercial Quay	93	...
Do.	Carty	Francis	Main Street North	156	Francis Carty
Do.	Gibson	Richard	Main Street North	172	Richard Gibson
Do.	Whelan	Patrick	Main Street North	61	...

Dated this 17th day of January, 1910.

**WM. A. BROWNE, Returning Officer.**

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Statute was suggested. The value of the part in question was its adoption enabled the Sanitary Authority to require notification of cases of certain forms of Tuberculosis and provided for disinfection in such cases, but the consideration of the question was adjourned for the present.

A recommendation from the Waterworks Committee as to permitting the Post Office Authorities to provide a fire hydrant on the premises of the Wexford Post Office, at a charge of £1. per year was adopted.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 19th Instant.

*James Sinnott Jan 19/10*

19th January 1910.

An adjourned Statutable Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock P. M.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- John Tyghe, Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Joseph Doyle, Patrick Clancy, Nicholas Prendergast, John Murphy, Frank Carty, Nicholas Byrne, James French, James Hore, Joseph Kelly, Robert Hanton, Joseph Kingsberry, John O'Connor, Howard Rowe, James Goodisson, Thomas O'Brein.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The meeting was held for the purpose of appointing a Clerk of Works during the progress of building operations under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, pursuant to resolution of 3rd. Instant.

Applications were read from six artizans, namely, Michael J. White, Joseph Kelly, Patrick Parle, James McEvoy, and James Lucan, all of whom were joiners by occupation, and Edward Redmond, mason and plasterer.

All the applicants were deemed to be equally eligible to discharge the duties of the post, and this being so it was arranged to take a Poll to ascertain which of the applicants had the most support. The Poll having been taken, it was found necessary to take another in reference to five of the applicants. This second Poll having been taken, the necessity for a third Poll on the merits of three of the applicants arose. This poll was taken, whereupon the issue lay between James Lucan and patrick Parle. A final poll was then taken, as a result of which ten members voted for James Lucan and nine for patrick Parle.

James Lucan was thereupon appointed.

Two tenders in respect of supplying 30 chairs to increase the seating accommodation of the Town Hall were received. They were from Matthew Harpur and P. J. O'Connor. The former was prepared to supply the chairs at 3/- each according to a specimen which he had sent in, and the latter was willing to supply them at 2/6 each as per sample chair which was produced. The specimens were examined, and on the motion of Councillor Kelly



seconded by Councillor Clancy, it was decided to accept the tender of Mr. O'Connor on condition that the articles to be supplied will be of Irish manufacture.

*James Sinnott Jan 24/10*

24th January 1910.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Hall at noon.

The members present were;-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh, John Tyghe, George Hadden.

Councillors:- Thomas O'Brien, Robert Hanton, Nicholas Byrne, James Hore, James McMahon, Nicholas Prendergast, Joseph Kelly, Howard Rowe, John Murphy, John O'Connor, Richard Gibson, Joseph Kingsberry, Frank Carty.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

pursuant to Section 94(11) of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, the business of electing a Mayor was proceeded with, whereupon on the motion of Councillor Hanton, seconded by Councillor Kelly, it was unanimously

RESOLVED:- That James Sinnott Esq., our present Mayor, be and is hereby elected Mayor for the year commencing this day and, until his Successor be appointed and shall have accepted Office.

The Mayor then made and subscribed a Declaration of acceptance of office and returned thanks for his re-election.

On the motion of Councillor Kelly, seconded By Councillor Prendergast, it was

RESOLVED:- That the three quarterly meetings to be held previous to 23rd. January 1911 be fixed to be held on Tuesday 3rd. May 1910 at noon, Tuesday 2nd. August 1910 at noon, and Monday 7th November 1910 at noon.

The appointment of Committees was then proceeded with, and on the motion of Alderman Hughes, seconded by Alderman Tyghe, it was

Resolved:- That the Finance & Works, Waterworks, and Public Health Committees be composed of the entire Council during the ensuing year.

Alderman Hadden proposed. That the Technical Instruction Committee be formed of the following seven members of the Council viz;- The Mayor, Aldermen Walsh, Hadden, and Hughes, Councillors Rowe, Hore, and Carty, in addition to the protestant Rector of Wexford for the time being, the Catholic Administrator of Wexford for the time being, the Superior of the Christian Brothers, Wexford, for the time being, and Messrs Michael A. Ennis, Joseph S. Thompson and Richard Wals

It was ordered:- That in pursuance of the scheme for the provision of dwellings under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, steps be taken for the early erection of 22 houses on plot of ground acquired at Distillery Road, and to that end that tenders be invited by advertisement in the local newspapers from builders in respect of the erection of such dwellings against Wednesday, 23rd. Prox; that two sets of tenders be requested to be furnished, one set in



respect of eleven of the proposed houses, and the other in respect of the other eleven houses, and that it be left optional with intending Contractors to tender in respect of the two or one of the lots.

*James Sinnott Esq.*

7th February 1910.

A statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's office at noon.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, George Madden, John Tyghe.

Councillors:- Nicholas Prendergast, James McMahon, Richard Gibson, James Hore, Frank Carty, Nicholas Byrne, Joseph Kelly, Joseph Kingsberry, Howard Rowe, Robert Hanton, John O'Connor.

The minutes of meeting of 24th January 1910 were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £238. 15. 7 were submitted, and having been examined were approved, and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of paying Orders numbered from 396 to 413 inclusive.

Summary and Reconciliation of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of January 1910, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY.	LOAN.
Balance due per Treasurer as per last Statement.	1048. 5. 8	1052. 19. 6
Total sums received to close of last month:	535. 0. 1	2. 8. 8
TOTAL	1583. 5. 9	1055. 8. 2
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . -	- . -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	187. 5. 7	51. 10. 0
TOTAL	187. 5. 7	51. 10. 0
Net Balances due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	1396. 0. 2	1003. 18. 2

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per bank Books due by Treasurer	1589. 10. 9	1055. 8. 2
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	193. 10. 7	51. 10. 0
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	1396. 0. 2	1003. 18. 2

The Finance and Works Committee made a report to the effect that they had received intimation from Mrs Anne Kingsberry that she had recently succeeded to some property and therefore desired to resign the post of Caretaker of the Town Hall. In view of this fact the Committee had considered the time opportune to revise the rate of remuneration hitherto paid the Caretaker, as it was contended that the wage of 4/- a week which attached to the position should not be continued, having regard to the other pecuniary advantages derived therefrom.

The Committee therefore recommended that the resignation should be accepted, and that



a man to act as Caretaker should be appointed who would be entitled to the free use of the domiciliary portion of the Town Hall and would receive a bonus of 10% on the receipts from lettings, as well as a fee of 2/6 for each night when the Hall would be occupied up to 10 o'clock, or a fee of 10/- when it would be used all night; these fees, in addition to the rent, to be lodged by those hiring the Hall with the Town Clerk.

It was also recommended that only a man and his wife, or a brother residing with his sister should be eligible for the appointment, which should be made on Wednesday, 23rd. Instant.

Alderman Hughes proposed that the above recommendations be adopted.

This was seconded by Councillor Byrne and was carried.

Alderman Tyghe dissented as he considered the stipend of 4/- should still continue to be paid.

The Local Government Board, by letter dated 21st January 1910, No.150,414/1909, which was read, expressed approval of the increase in the salary of Dr. Thomas Pierse as medical officer of Health of Wexford Urban District from £16, to £31. a year.

A communication from the Irish Financial Reform Committee under date of 5th Inst. was read. This was to the effect that owing to the increase of Irish taxation contemplated by the parliamentary Budget Bill soon to be re-introduced, more especially in regard to the land taxes, the above named Committee had again been called into existence with a view to bringing the whole question of the over taxation of Ireland again before Parliament. On a previous occasion petitions against this financial injustice had been adopted by almost every Public Body in Ireland, including the Wexford Corporation, and the Committee wished to know whether the Corporation would be prepared to follow a similar course at the present juncture. The meeting decided to take no action in this matter for the present.

The Manager of the Independent Newspapers Ltd. drew attention by letter to the fact that there had recently been placed on the Statute Book the Health Resorts and Watering Places (Ireland) Act, 1909. The effect of this Act was to permit the Council to expend a sum not exceeding in any year the amount realized by a rate of one penny in the pound in advertising the town as a health resort, and if it was contemplated to take advantage of the provisions of the Act, the Independent Co. were prepared to place their services at the disposal of the Council in preparing a scheme of advertising suitable to Wexford.

This matter was referred to the Finance and Works Committee to be dealt with as thought fit.

Councillor Prendergast drew attention to a matter which he considered called for remedy, namely the increasing difficulty which the Rate Collectors experienced in collecting rates assessed on houses in the town erected under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts. By Section 53 (1) of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898



it was incumbent on occupiers of dwellings to be assessed for all rates leviable in the district, and this practice had been followed since the passing of the Act in the case of the occupiers of the working class dwellings above referred to. The Collectors however, in some instances found that when rates were demanded the tenants vacated these houses leaving the rates unpaid, and in such cases it had been found impossible to recover them. Councillor Prendergast suggested the advisability of increasing the rents per week by a sum which at the end of each financial year would produce, as near as may be, the amount assessed on the dwellings as rates, and so follow the custom which was universal throughout the town in the case of weekly tenants. The meeting considered that the matter deserved attention, and as a preliminary to further action, the Town Clerk was instructed to prepare against next monthly meeting a table showing by how much per week the rents of the dwellings would require to be increased in order to satisfy the demands of the Rate Collectors in respect of the Rates leviable thereon.

*James Sinnott Feb 23/10*

23rd. February 1910.

A Special meeting of the Council was held this day (pursuant to the Mayor's requisition) at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock p. m.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, John Tyghe, Walter Walsh, James J. Stafford. George Hadden

Councillors:- Joseph Doyle, Nicholas Byrne, Thomas O'Brien, Patrick Clancy, Frank Carty, James Hore, Richard Gibson, John O'Connor, James Goodisson, Joseph Kingsberry, Nicholas Prendergast, Joseph Kelly, James McMahon, Howard Rowe, Robert Hanton, John Murphy.

The minutes of meeting of 7th February Instant were read and signed.

~~It was ordered:- Having regard to the decision come to at last meeting as to Town Hall lettings, that the use of the Town Hall be given free of charge to the Members of the Womens' Health Association and the Members of the White Ribbon (Temperance) League, this concession meaning likewise that no fees are to be payable to the Caretaker in the two cases in question.~~

Referring to minutes of proceedings of 7th Instant, there were in response to invitations by advertisement for applications for the office of Caretaker of the Town Hall, five applications received. These were from Michael Kelly of High Street, Andrew Byrne of Faythe, John Wade of Sinnott Place, Stephen Higginbotham of Bride Street, and T. Martin of Poleshore, Wexford.

A poll was taken to determine which of the applicants was the most eligible, whereupon twelve members voted for Michael Kelly, Six for John Wade, and four for Stephen Higginbotham.

Michael Kelly was accordingly appointed.

In compliance with order made on 24th ultimo, as to obtaining tenders in respect of

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The order passed in relation to a subsequent order of 7th March 1910 which was not made



FOR THE ERECTION OF THE HOUSES.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor O'Brien, it was  
RESOLVED:- That the tenders of John Browne for £1419 and 1397 be and is hereby  
accepted, the amounts of such tenders being the lowest of the sums of the tenders  
received.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor Kingsberry, seconded by Councillor Byrne,  
It was Resolved:- That of the two tenders received, the tender of William Browne  
be accepted.

John Browne. : : : : : : : : : : : : £87. 5. 0

As there was only one tender received in this case, the Town Surveyor's estimate of the cost was referred to and was seen to be £88.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor Rowe, seconded by Councillor Prendergast,

It was Resolved:- That the tender of John Browne be hereby accepted.

John Browne. : : : : : : : : : : : : : £76. 0. 0

There being only one tender in this case, the Town Surveyor's estimate was adverted to, whereupon it was found that the cost, according to him was £71. 15. 0

Councillor Rowe proposed nevertheless that the tender be accepted.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Hadden and was adopted.

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James Smith  
Mar 2/10



7th March 1910.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:)

James Sinnott Esq., mayor (in the chair)

ALDERMEN:- John Tyghe, Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh.

COUNCILLORS:- James McMahon, Joseph Doyle, Nicholas Prendergast, James Ffrench, Howard Rowe, James Hore, Frank Carty, Richard Gibson, Joseph Kelly, John O'Connor.

The minutes of meeting of 23rd. February 1910 were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £1611. 1. 10 were submitted, and having been examined were approved, and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 414 to 458 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of February 1910, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY.	LOAN.
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	£1396 : 0 : 2	£1003 : 18 : 2
Total sums received to close of last month.	588 : 3 : 4	- : - : -
TOTAL	1984 : 3 : 6	1003 : 18 : 2
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- : - : -	- : - : -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	1045 : 13 : 10	565 : 8 : 0
TOTAL	1045 : 13 : 10	565 : 8 : 0
Net Balance due by Treasurer ( being difference of above Totals)	938 : 9 : 8	438 : 10 : 2

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer	1984 : 3 : 6	1003 : 18 : 2
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	1045 ; 13 : 10	565 : 8 : 0
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	938 : 9 : 8	438 : 10 ; 2

With regard to the order appearing on the minutes of last meeting, as to the Town Hall being given free of all charge in certain cases, it was decided to strike such order off the minutes of the day's proceedings as being the result of a misconception.

The order was erased accordingly, and the minutes were thereupon signed.

Regarding the matter of the acceptance of tenders in respect of the erection of dwelling houses, which was dealt with on the 23rd. Ultimo, a letter from Mr. John Browne was read. he being the person whose tenders were accepted in the case, submitted that the period of ten months specified as the time within which the buildings were to be completed was far too short, and requested that this limit should be enlarged to 18 or 20 months. He regretted that he was unable to see his way to enter into a contract unless this concession was granted to him.



The question was deliberated on, and the consideration of it eventuated in the adoption of the following motion.

Proposed by Councillor McMahon.

Seconded by Councillor Rowe.

That an extension of six months be granted to John Browne for execution of contract on twentytwo houses at Distillery Road: making a total of sixteen months.

Arising out of the next preceding question the following motion was also adopted.

Proposed by Councillor Hore.

Seconded by Councillor Gibson.

"Mr. Browne, Contractor, for houses at Distillery Road, be called on to sign his Contract and Bond within a fortnight or the business is ended."

With reference to minutes of 7th February last, on which occasion a proposal was entertained as to the advisableness of the Council paying local rates on all houses in the town erected under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, a tabular statement was submitted showing what the items of rate chargeable on these houses came to in an average year in each individual case. According to this it was seen that if the proposal were carried into effect, and at the same time that no consequential loss to the Corporation Funds should be permitted to arise, it was necessary to increase the rents of each of 72 of the dwellings by threepence per week, but in the case of the seven larger-sized houses at Monument Place, an increase of fourpence per house per week was necessitated. It was also apparent that an all-round increase of threepence per house per week would involve no loss but on the contrary a slight pecuniary advantage would accrue to the Council. The matter was given due consideration. It was urged that the contemplated step, although at variance with the principle of the Statute, was nevertheless justified by the circumstances. Accordingly a motion was given and accepted from Councillor Prendergast to the effect that he proposed to move at next Statutory Meeting that an increase of threepence per week per house be made in the rents of the dwellings in question, and as a quid pro quo to the occupiers that all the items of rates leviable thereon be paid out of the Municipal Coffers.

Attention was drawn to the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1909, and the Regulations thereunder made by the Lord Lieutenant under date of 21st January 1910. The Enactment provided for the licensing of premises wherein cinematograph exhibitions were permitted to be carried on, and for the apparatus to be of a certain construction and used under restrictions so as to ensure safety.

The matter was referred to the Finance & Works Committee to deal with as thought well.

The Accounts of the Collector of Borough Rate and of Rate in lieu of County Cess were produced with a view to closing them for the current financial year. They had been under the examination of the Finance Committee on the 23rd. ultimo.

The Committee, who had expressed satisfaction with the result of the Collector's efforts, made the following recommendation.



# NOTICE OF RESULT OF ELECTION

## Borough of Wexford

Election of a Councillor for the St. Selskar Ward,  
of the above Borough, on the 24th March, 1910.

I, the undersigned, being the Returning Officer at the election of a Councillor for the said Ward, do hereby give notice that the Candidate at the election whose name is entered in Column 6 of the Statement hereunder opposite to the number entered in Column 5 has been declared duly elected Councillor for St. Selskar Ward, of the Borough of Wexford, until the 15th day of January, 1912.

### COUNCILLOR.

WARD	NAMES OF CANDIDATES		PLACE OF ABODE	Number of Votes Recorded	NAME OF CANDIDATE ELECTED
	SURNAMES	OTHER NAMES			
1	2	3	4	5	6
St. Selskar	Bergin	Myles	Mary Street	37	...
Do.	Browne	Michael	Commercial Quay	96	Michael Browne
Do.	English	John	Windmill Hills	88	...

Dated this 26th day of March, 1910.

**WM. A. BROWNE, Returning Officer.**

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# NOTICE OF RESULT OF ELECTION

## Borough of Wexford

Election of a Councillor for the St. Seiskar Ward,  
of the above Borough, on the 24th March, 1910.

I, the undersigned, being the Returning Officer at the election of a Councillor for the said Ward, do hereby give notice that the Candidate the election of whom is entered in Column B of the Statement of the result of the election, and the name of whom is entered in Column A of the Statement of the result of the election, has been elected.

Wexford, this 1st day of April, 1910.

### COUNCILLOR

NAME OF CANDIDATE	NAME OF POLLING PLACE	NAME OF POLLING PLACE	NAME OF POLLING PLACE
Mr. J. J. O'Sullivan	St. Seiskar	St. Seiskar	St. Seiskar
Mr. J. J. O'Sullivan	St. Seiskar	St. Seiskar	St. Seiskar
Mr. J. J. O'Sullivan	St. Seiskar	St. Seiskar	St. Seiskar
Mr. J. J. O'Sullivan	St. Seiskar	St. Seiskar	St. Seiskar

Wm. A. Browne, Returning Officer.



That there be written off as irrecoverable items amounting to £26. 3. 3, in the case of the Borough Rate, and items amounting to £32. 19. 1 in the case of the Rate in lieu of County Cess, and that the balance of items outstanding, i. e. £1. 17. 18, and £3. 0. 3 respectively, be carried into next year's books as arrears.

The recommendation was adopted.

The County Inspector of Police notified by letter that the office of Inspector of Explosives had become vacant by the retirement on pension of Sergeant Hickey. If the Council desired to appoint a Member of the R. I. Constabulary to the vacant office, it was necessary to inform the County Inspector of their intention, and it was decided to secure the services of a Member of the Force as Inspector under the Act.

30th March 1910.

A SPECIAL Meeting of the Council was held this day (pursuant to the Mayor's Requisition) at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock p. m.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, George Hadden, James J. Stafford, John Tyghe.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Frank Carty, Nicholas Prendergast, Patrick Clancy, Joseph Doyle, Robert Hanten, Joseph Kelly, James Hara, Howard Rowe, Richard Gibson, Nicholas Byrne.

Estimates prepared by the Town Clerk of the expenditure necessary to carry on the municipal administration of the Borough in the ensuing financial year, were presented to the meeting and considered. It was seen that after carrying to credit the different items of income accruing from sources other than rates, together with the Balances in hands of Treasurer, there remained to be provided for by means of the Rates leviable on the District the following sums

By a Poor Rate.	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	£1999	:	16	:	0
By a Borough Rate.	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	991	:	8	:	1
By a Rate in lieu of County Cess.	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	1751	:	7	:	4
By Water Rates.	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	1357	:	17	:	3

Attached to the Estimate of sums to be raised by a poor Rate was a recommendation from the Finance Committee under date of 24th March Instant, as to the making of a Poor Rate at a rate of 2/4 in the Pound.

The Estimate of Expenditure to be defrayed by means of a Rate in lieu of County Cess showed that a Rate of 2/- in the pound would be required, this being an increase of sevenpence in the pound on the rate of the Rate made in the last financial year.

This increase was abnormal and elicited discussion, on the conclusion of which

Alderman Hadden proposed that there be deleted from the Estimate the following sums.



£100 in respect of constructing footpaths, £100 in foot of main drainage, and £100 in respect of treating Redmond Road with a steam roller, and that it be agreed to make a Rate in lieu of County Cess of  $1/8$  in the Pound.

This was seconded by Councillor Carty, but an amendment thereto was proposed and seconded by Alderman Stafford and Councillor Hore respectively in the following terms.

That the item of £218. 5. 0 included in the estimate to provide for steamrolling at Spawell Road and Redmond Road be struck out and the item of £140 to continue the construction of the main drainage system be reduced by £100, and that it be agreed to make a Rate in lieu of County Cess of  $1/8$  in the pound.

The amendment was put whereupon nine members voted for and seven against it.

It was then declared carried as a substantive resolution.

With regard to the Estimates of Expenditure coming under the headings of Waterworks Fund, Borough Fund and Poor Rate Account, the three following motions were put and carried, viz:-

proposed by Councillor Doyle, and seconded by Councillor Hore.

That a Domestic Water Rate of elevenpence, and a Public Water Rate of ninepence be agreed on with a view to making such Rate within due time.

Proposed by Councillor Prendergast, seconded by Councillor Byrne.

That a Borough Rate of  $1/-$  in the Pound be agreed on with a view to making such Rate in the near future.

Proposed by Alderman Stafford, seconded by Councillor Doyle.

That a Poor Rate of  $2/4$  in the Pound be agreed on with a view to having such Rate formally made on the 20th Instant.

*James Sinnott* *Apr 6/10*

6th April 1910.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held this day (pursuant to the Mayor's requisition) at the Town Clerk's office at half past seven o'clock p. m.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, John Tyghe, Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- John Murphy, Nicholas Byrne, James McMahon, Joseph Kelly,  
Nicholas Prendergast, Patrick Clancy, Howard Rowe,  
Frank Carty, James Hore, James Goodisson, Joseph Doyle,  
Richard Gibson, Robert Hanton, Michael Browne.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

A number of accounts which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £705. 11. 10 were laid before the meeting, and

having been examined were approved, and an Advice Note was signed to enable

the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of paying orders numbered

from 459 to 478 inclusive.



Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended on 31st March 1910, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

## S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY.	LOAN.
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	£ 938. 9. 8	£ 438. 10. 2
Total sum received to close of last month.	646. 1. 6	- . - . -
TOTAL	1584. 11. 2	438. 10. 2
balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . - . -	- . - . -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	248. 1. 10.	457. 10. 0
TOTAL	248. 1. 10.	457. 10. 0
NET Balance due to Treasurer.	- . - . -	18. 19. 10
Net Balance due by Treasurer.	1336. 9. 4	- . - . -

## R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per bank Books due by Treasurer.	1584. 11. 2	438. 10. 2
Outstanding orders (including those issued at this meeting)	248. 1. 10.	457. 10. 0
Net Balance as above due to Treasurer.	- . - . -	18. 19. 10
Net balance as above due by Treasurer.	1336. 9. 4	

With reference to minutes of proceedings of 7th February last, and of the 7th March last, the following motion, proposed by Councillor Prendergast (pursuant to motion given by and accepted from him on the last-mentioned date) was seconded by Councillor McMahon and adopted unanimously.

That hence forward all items of Rate leviable on the 78 dwellings provided by the Corporation under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts be paid out of the Borough Fund, but that in order to secure the Fund from any consequential loss accruing thereby a sum of Threepence per house per week be added to the rents of the dwellings.

Alderman Hughes brought forward the question of reducing the rents of the seven working class dwellings situate at Monument Place. On the 5th April 1909 he had advocated the reduction of the rents of these particular houses by a sum of sixpence per week per house, and proposed a motion to that effect which failed to be carried. The rents were, in his opinion, excessive, but he was prepared to modify his former proposition. He now suggested that the rents should be reduced by threepence per week per house, and urged that a notice should be accepted from him of his intention to propose at next monthly meeting the rescission, in part, of a resolution of 9th March 1904 in order to open the way to the suggested reduction being carried out in proper order.

The notice was accepted.

A communication was read showing that arrangements were being made for the holding, on the 20th April instant and two following days in Dublin, of an Irish Road Congress which had for its object the bringing together in conference of representatives of Local Authorities, County Surveyors, and extensive users of roads. It was arranged to invite, among others, the Chairman of each Urban Council to attend the Congress, and failing his ability to attend the notice of the Chairman.

The matter was brought forward with the object of ascertaining if any member would



volunteer to attend as the Mayor was unable to do so.

It was elicited from the Town Surveyor that he, in all probability, would be present at the Congress, and his attendance was deemed sufficient representation on behalf of the Council.

Attention was drawn to the necessity of having purveyors of milk within the Urban Area who were non-resident therein registered by the Council under the Dairies &c. Order 1908. The terms of the order as regarded registration had not been carried out to the full extent, in as much as no registration of the purveyors of milk in question had been made up to the present.

The question was considered, and it was decided to take no action thereon, the feeling being that such registration was uncalled for so far as Wexford urban District was concerned.

A report from the Town Surveyor on the need for repairing the Bathing Place was read. The Bridge required a new handrail, some new stays, two new carriage pieces, and two new strings to ladder, and a considerable portion of the timber work of the Bathing place proper was decayed. The cost of doing the repairs was approximately £36.

It was ordered:- That the report be acted on and the necessary repairs carried out on the direct labour system.

The Waterworks Committee reported on the Water Rate Account. Of the outstanding Rates, the sum of £22. 3. 10 was found to be irrecoverable, and the remainder, namely, £2. 11. 10 was collectible and to be carried forward as arrears.

The report was adopted, and satisfaction was expressed at the small sum of collectible monies outstanding.

Councillor Clancy proposed the following motion which was seconded by Councillor Browne, viz:-

That we, as an Irish Public Body, and as Irishmen having the interests of our Country at heart, utter our strongest protest against the enormous and undue taxation about to be imposed upon us under the proposed new Budget. That in thus giving expression to our views we do not, in any degree, refer to, or reflect upon, any political party whatsoever, but that we merely voice our opinions as Irishmen.

The motion was put to the meeting and was defeated, three members voting for, and fifteen against.



20th April 1910.

A Special meeting of the Council was held this day (pursuant to the Mayor's requisition) at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock p. m.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Walter Walsh, John Tyghe, Benjamin Hughes.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Patrick Clancy, Robert Manton, Nicholas Byrne, Joseph Kelly, Nicholas Prendergast, James Goodisson, Frank Carty, James Hore, Thomas O'Brien, John O'Connor.

The making of Rates, which was the business for which the meeting was convened, was proceeded with, whereupon the four following resolutions, as proposed by Councillor Prendergast and seconded by Councillor McMahon, were unanimously adopted, and thereupon the different Rates referred to in the Resolutions were made and the Books containing them were duly sealed and signed.

RESOLVED:- That a Poor Rate of Two Shillings and Fourpence in the Pound be made on the assessable value of property within the Urban District of Wexford, as per an Estimate of Expenses to be raised by means of a poor Rate on said Urban District considered and adopted on 30th March 1910.

RESOLVED:- That an assessment of One Shilling and Eightpence in the Pound on the assessable value of property within the town of Wexford be laid on, pursuant to the Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Order (Wexford) Confirmation Act, 1873 and Acts incorporated with and amending the same, as per Estimate duly considered and adopted on 30th March 1910.

RESOLVED:- That a Borough Rate of One Shilling in the Pound be made on the nett assessable value of property within the Borough of Wexford to supply the deficiency in the Borough Fund, as shown in an Estimate of Expenses required to permit of the Municipal Administration of said Borough being carried on, considered and adopted on 30th March 1910.

RESOLVED:- That an assessment of One Shilling and Eightpence in the Pound, viz., a Domestic Rate of Elevenpence and a Public Rate of Ninepence, on the rateable value of property within the town of Wexford be laid on pursuant to the Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders (Dalkey &c) Confirmation Act, 1876, and Acts incorporated with and amending the same, as per Estimate duly considered and adopted on 30th March 1910.

*John Hantman*  
Chairman



3rd. May 1910.

A Quarterly meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

Robert Hanton Esq., T. C. (In the chair)

Aldermen:- George Hadden, Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Joseph Doyle, Patrick Clancy, Joseph Kelly,  
Nicholas Prendergast, Joseph Kingsberry, Frank Carty,  
Richard Gibson, Howard Rowe.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £1740. 9. 7 were laid before the meeting and having been examined were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of paying orders numbered from 479 to 500 and 1 and 2 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of April 1910, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY	LOAN.
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	1336. 9. 4	-. -. -
Total sum received to close of last month.	81. 1. 1	-. -. -
TOTAL	1417. 10. 5	-. -. -
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	-. -. -	18. 19. 10
Payments ordered at this meeting.	1054. 11. 3	685. 18. 4
TOTALS	1054. 11. 3	704. 18. 2
Net balance due by Treasurer	362. 19. 2	-. -. -
Net Balance due to Treasurer.	-. -. -	704. 18. 2

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per bank books due by Treasurer.	1425. 0. 5	-. -. -
Balance per bank Books due to Treasurer	-. -. -	18. 19. 10
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	1062. 1. 3	685. 18. 4
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	362. 19. 2	-. -. -
Net Balance as above due to Treasurer	-. -. -	704. 18. 2

With regard to minutes of 7th march last a letter from the County Inspector of Constabulary was read nominating Sergeant Matthew Donaghy as Inspector of Explosives for the Town of Wexford in room of Sergeant Hickey, retired.

The appointment of Sergeant Donaghy to the post was thereupon made.

The following motion, as proposed by Councillor Hughes and seconded by Councillor McMahon was adopted.

That this meeting do stand adjourned to Wednesday, 11th instant in consequence of the unavoidable absence of some of the members of the Council who were in



attendance on the Royal Commission on Coast Erosion and Afforestation.

*James Sinnott May 11/10*

21st May 1910.

An adjourned Quarterly meeting of the Municipal Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's office at half past seven o'clock p. m.

The members present were;-

James Sinnott Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, James J. Stafford, Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- Howard Rowe, James Hore, James McMahon, Nicholas Byrne, Michael Browne, James Goodisson, Thomas O'Brien, Robert Hanton, Nicholas Prendergast, Joseph Kelly, Joseph Kingsberry, Richard Gibson, Francis Carty, Joseph Doyle, John O'Connor.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The Mayor opened the meeting by alluding to the recent death of King Edward the Seventh. He said a national calamity had befallen the Country by the said event, as his late Majesty was the most sympathetic monarch towards Ireland that had ever occupied the English Throne.

He proposed the following motion which was seconded by Councillor Carty, and was adopted unanimously, all the members rising in their places and standing amidst respectful silence.

"That we, the Municipal Council of the Borough of Wexford in general meeting assembled, do hereby tender to Queen Alexandra the homage of our profound sympathy in the bereavement with which it has pleased Providence to visit her by the death of her late Royal Consort, King Edward VII, of revered memory, who during his all too short but glorious reign of nine years had endeared himself to his subjects in every part of his vast Dominions."

Pursuant to Notice accepted from Alderman Hughes on the 6th Ultimo, that Member proposed the following.

That a resolution of the Council adopted on the 9th March 1904 be hereby rescinded in so far as regarded the rents of seven workmen's dwelling houses situate at Monument Place, Wexford, and that thereupon the rents of such houses be reduced by a sum of threepence per house per week.

The motion was seconded by Councillor McMahon.

The question evoked long discussion, on the conclusion of which a poll was taken, whereupon the following voted

FOR :- Councillors O'Connor, Doyle, Carty, Gibson, Kingsberry, O'Brien, Browne, Goodisson, McMahon, Alderman Hughes. 10

AGAINST:- Councillors Prendergast, Kelly, Hanton, Byrne, Hore, Rowe, Alderman Walsh, Stafford, and the Mayor. 9

The motion was declared carried.



The poor Rate Collector applied for an increase of his remuneration because of additional duties imposed on him by the requirements of the Local Government Board. These added duties comprised the work of preparing a Schedule of uncollected items of rate in the elaborate form required by that Department and having ten copies of it made out and posted at specified places throughout the urban District. His services were recognized in respect of a like Schedule made out by him at the close of the collection period last year, when he was voted a bonus of £6.

On the motion of Councillor Kelly, seconded by Alderman Stafford, it was RESOLVED:- That Mr. Godfrey be paid a sum of £6. in consideration of performing the services referred to, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, but that the local Government Board be informed that in the opinion of the Council the preparing of the list of uncollected Poor Rate in the form prescribed, and the publication of it in the manner prescribed, was of no genuine utility, and that the Board be respectfully requested to dispense with the making out of the Schedule in future years.

The Finance and Works Committee recommended that (1) the material required for the proposed new main sewer to be constructed at the rear of the Loretto Convent, as for which work a sum of £224 had been allocated, should be provided on the contract system, and (2) the workmanship done on the direct labour system.

On the motion of Councillor Hanton, seconded by Councillor Prendergast, it was RESOLVED:- That the material be obtained on the tender and contract system,

And on the motion of Alderman Hughes, seconded by Councillor McMahon, it was

RESOLVED:- That the workmanship be done by a staff of workmen under the charge of the Town Surveyor.

*James Sinnott Esq.*

6th June 1910.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's office at noon.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, John Tyghe.

Councillors:- Nicholas Byrne, Joseph Doyle, James Hore, Robert Hanton, Nicholas Prendergast, John O'Connor, Richard Gibson, Howard Rowe, Joseph Kelly, Francis Carty, Joseph Kingsberry, Patrick Clancy.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £853. 1. 8, were submitted and having been examined were approved, and an Advice note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 3 to 32 inclusive.

Summary and Reconciliation of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of May, 1910 including the payments made on this day.

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## S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY ACCOUNT	LOAN.
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	362. 19. 2	- . -
Total sums received to close of last month.	774. 16. 69	- . -
TOTAL	1137. 15. 11	- . -
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . -	704. 18. 2
Payments ordered at this meeting.	773. 4. 8	79. 17. 0
TOTAL	773. 4. 8	784. 15. 2
Net balance due to Treasurer	- . -	784. 15. 2
Net balance due by Treasurer.	364. 11. 3	- . -

## RECONCILEMENT.

Balance per Bank Books due by treasurer.	1137. 15. 11	- . -
balance per Bank Books due to Treasurer.	- . -	704. 18. 2
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	773. 4. 8	79. 17. 0
Net Balance as above due to Treasurer.	- . -	784. 15. 2
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	364. 11. 3	- . -

With reference to Resolution passed on 11th May 1910, a communication from the Home Office was read intimating that the Resolution of Condolence of the Borough of Wexford on the death of his late Majesty, King Edward the Seventh, had been laid before Queen Alexandra, whose thanks was conveyed to the Council through the Mayor. A letter was read from the Secretary of the Commissioners of National Education, under date of 4th May 1910. He pointed out that the period of service of the School Attendance Committee for Wexford Urban District was due to terminate on 31st. July 1910, and that it was necessary that a fresh Committee should be appointed for the three years commencing 1st August 1910. The number of members to form the Committee was ten, five of whom were to be appointed by the urban Council, and the other five by the Commissioners of National Education.

It was announced in connection with this matter, that the five members serving on this Committee as appointed by the Council at the present time were Councillors Rowe, Kelly, Hore, Prendergast, and Alderman Stafford. Councillor KELLY then stated that he wished his name not to be included in the list of the new Committee as he did not wish to serve as a member of the Committee any longer.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor Hanton Seconded by Councillor Cartm it was resolved that with the exception of Councillor Kelly the above-mentioned be re-appointed, and that Councillor O'Connor be added to the Committee vice Councillor Kelly.

It was reported that two of the thirtynine houses which were being provided under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts had been finished in Carrigeen and were ready for habitation. The Finance and Works Committee had inspected them on the 2nd. Instant, and charge of them had been taken over from the Contractor, and at the present juncture it was necessary that the terms of letting should be determined. From a computation which was presented to the meeting it was seen that the capital



expenditure was £207. per house, and that the estimated annual expenditure per house would amount to £12. 12. 0, in other words, the houses would be capable of being let at a rent of 4/10 per week, this sum including 3d. per week in respect of rates.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor Rowe, seconded by Councillor Kelly, it was RESOLVED:- That the rents of the two houses in question be fixed at 5/- per week each house.

The question of the rate of the commission to be paid to the Rent Collector for his services in collecting the rents of the 39 houses above referred to was raised. Councillor Hore maintained that a commission of 5% was adequate remuneration, and proposed that the Collector be paid at that rate. The motion was seconded by Councillor Prendergast, but Alderman Hughes proposed that the rate of commission be fixed at 7½%, being the same rate as was paid for collecting the rents of houses provided under previous Schemes.

The latter motion was seconded by Councillor Doyle and was carried on a division by a vote of 9 to 4.

The following Resolution, proposed by His Worship, The Mayor, seconded by Councillor Prendergast, was adopted, Councillor Clancy dissenting, on the ground that, in his opinion, as a holder of Sinn Fein principles, the protest would not be productive of good.

RESOLVED:- That we, the members of the Wexford Corporation, protest in the strongest manner possible against the words of the Accession Declaration to be administered to His Majesty King George the Fifth, and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, Mr. John Redmond M. P. and our County members, requesting them to use every means in their power to have the Declaration- or so much of it as is objectionable to Roman Catholics- removed from the Statute Book.

It was ordered:- That a specification be prepared and tenders invited by advertisement in respect of the work of painting required to be done in the market building in the Bullring.

It was Ordered:- That ~~the~~ <sup>a</sup> footpath in Talbot Street be ~~repaired~~ <sup>laid down</sup> and a footpath ordered for Thomas Street be laid down during the present summer.

On the motion of Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Kelly, it was

RESOLVED:- That a footpath be laid in Temperance Row on the completion of all footpaths heretofore directed to be made.

*James Smith*  
*July 4/10*



4th July 1910.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's office at noon.

There were in attendance.

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, George Hadden.

Councillors:- Howard Rowe, Joseph Doyle, James Hore, Nicholas Byrne,  
Robert Hanton, James McMahon, Richard Gibson, Joseph Kelly,  
Francis Carty, John O'Connor.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

A number of accounts which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £956. 18. 7 were submitted, and having been examined were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 33 to 65 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of June, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y ,

	ORDINARY	LOAN
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	364 : 11 : 3	- : - : -
Total sums received to close of last month.	764 : 10 : 5	- : - : -
TOTAL	1129 : 1 : 8	- : - : -
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- : - : -	784 : 15 : 2
Payments ordered at this meeting.	224 : 11 : 1	722 : 7 : 6
TOTAL	224 : 11 : 1	1507 : 2 : 8
Net balance due by Treasurer.	904 : 10 : 7	- : - : -
Net Balance due To Treasurer.	- : - : -	1507 : 2 : 8

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per bank Books due by Treasurer.	1166 : 11 : 8	- : - : -
Balance per Bank Book due to Treasurer.	- : - : -	784 : 15 : 2
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	262 : 1 : 1	722 : 7 : 6
net balance as above due by Treasurer.	904 : 10 : 7	- : - : -
Net Balance as above due to Treasurer.	- : - : -	1507 : 2 : 8

A report of Mr. J. A. Baker, Local Government Auditor, on the Municipal Accounts for the financial year ended 31st March 1910 was read. It was accompanied by an Abstract of the Accounts duly certified. It was seen that a payment of £90 was paid to Mr. O'Connor, Solicitor, in settlement of a Bill of Costs amounting to £96. 5. 8. The Auditor was unable to allow this payment as the costs were not taxed, and in order to permit of a taxation being made, he had deferred dealing with the matter until next audit. The Bill included an item of £55 being fee in connection with a Loan of £7,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works in respect of which a sum of £12 had been paid to the Commissioners for preparation of the Mortgage Deed, and the inclusion of the charge of £55 in the Bill of Costs therefore



required to be substantiated.

Regarding this matter it was ordered that the Town Clerk be directed to write to the Local Government Board requesting the Board to approve of payment of the £90 in question, pointing out with regard to the impugned item of £55 that the Council requested their Solicitor to abate his demand but without avail, as he claimed that sum as his legal fee in the case pursuant to the Solicitors Remuneration Act. Moreover it was directed that the attention of the Local Government Board should be directed to the fact that assuming the fee of £55 to be legally payable to the Solicitor, the Council had by their action obtained a reduction in the amount of the Bill of £6. 5. 8 in addition to which they had effected a saving of £6 by waiving their right to having the Bill taxed.

A passage in the Report ran as follows:-

"I had occasion in my last report to refer to the fact that there was no guarantee bond for the Town Clerk's Assistant, Mr. N. Bolger, as he is not directly paid by the Corporation. Having regard to the fact that considerable sums pass through his hands it might be desirable for the Corporation to consider whether his long, and I believe satisfactory service, would not entitle him to official recognition requiring the usual guarantee."

The question was referred to the Finance & Works Committee for consideration.

The Technical Instruction Committee recommended that a person should be appointed to serve as a member of the Committee in room of Mr. M. A. Ennis who had resigned, as was seen by a letter received by their Secretary from that gentleman. The resignation had been accepted by the Committee with much reluctance, and the Council decided to act on the recommendation.

Accordingly on the motion of Councillor Carty seconded by Councillor Kelly,

It was Resolved:- That Mr. P. Hanrahan be appointed to fill the vacancy arising in the membership of the Technical Instruction Committee by the resignation of Mr. M. A. Ennis.

Thereupon it was moved by Councillor McMahon, seconded by Alderman Hughes and

Resolved:- That the sincere thanks of the Council be conveyed to Mr. M. A. Ennis for the signal services rendered by him by the active interest always displayed by him in promoting technical education amongst his fellow citizens.

Mr. H. L. Murphy M. A. Barrington lecturer, communicated by letter the wish of the Barrington Trustees to have a course of lectures of political Economy delivered in Wexford during the present year. The only condition insisted on by the Trustees was that the lectures should be delivered in public under arrangements which would admit of all classes availing themselves of the opportunity to attend. The writer wished to know if the Corporation were willing to lend their support to the offer of the Barrington Trustees and afford facilities for the delivery of the lectures.

The matter was referred to Mr. Herbert Thompson, Hon. Secretary of the Wexford

Lecture Association, a society exists and works for the purpose of diffusing useful knowledge among all classes of the community.



It was suggested that an effort should be made to bring about an aviation meeting near Wexford in view of the fact that the South Sloblands appeared to be one of the most suitable places in Ireland for the purpose. The suggestion commended itself to the Meeting, and the following were appointed to see what was best to be done in the matter, viz: The mayor, Alderman Hadden, Mr. M. J. O'Connor, Mr. P. Hanrahan, Town Surveyor; Councillor Hanton, and Councillor Carty,

*James Sinnott*  
Aug 2/10

2nd. August 1910.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq. Mayor (in the Chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, James J. Stafford, George Hadden.

Councillors:- Joseph Doyle, John O'Connor, James Hore, Joseph Kelly, Francis Carty, Nicholas Byrne, Nicholas Prendergast, James French, Robert Hanton, Michael Browne, Thomas O'Brien.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month amounting in the aggregate to £552. 9. 9 were submitted and having been examined were approved, and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of paying Orders numbered from 66 to 78 inclusive.

Summary and Reconciliation of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of July 1910, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY.	LOAN.
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	904. 10. 7	- . - . -
Total sums received to close of last month.	811. 6. 5	2000. 0. 0
TOTALS	1715. 17. 0	2000. 0. 0
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement	- . - . -	1507. 2. 8
payments ordered at this meeting	546. 9. 9	6. 0. 0
TOTALS	546. 9. 9	1513. 2. 8
Net Balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	1169. 7. 3	486. 17. 4

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	1715. 17. 0	492. 17. 4
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	546. 9. 9	6. 0. 0
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer	1169. 7. 3	486. 17. 4

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The Secretary of the Wexford Gas Company, at the request of the Finance & Works



Committee, stated by letter the terms on which the Company were prepared to maintain and light the public lamps in the town if, as was suggested, the lighting period was re-arranged.

The terms were as follows.

- (a) The charge for lighting all the year round, no advantage to be taken of the moonlight nights would be £3. 11. 6 per lamp.
- (b) The charge for lighting in the same way from 15th August to 15th May would be £2. 16. 6 per lamp.
- (c) Or the lamps would be lighted all the year round, with the right to commence extinguishing at ten o'clock on moonlight nights for two nights before Full Moon, the night of Full Moon, and at eleven o'clock and later on succeeding nights in accordance with the time of moon-rise for £3. 4. 6 per lamp.
- (d) Or to be lighted all the year round, but advantage to be taken of the Moonlight nights as at present £2. 15. 6 per lamp.

The question evoked considerable discussion which resulted in the adoption of the following resolution, as proposed by Councillor Kelly and seconded by Councillor Prendergast.

That a Committee consisting of The Mayor, Alderman Hadden and Stafford, and Councillors Hanton, Kelly, and Hore be appointed to consider the question and report thereon.

The question of re-appointing an Officer as Veterinary Surgeon under the Dairies, Cowsheds, &c. Order, 1908 was considered. The year for which the office was established was due to expire on 7th September next, and it was at the present time opportune for the Council to determine whether the office was to be continued and if so the period of such continuance. Some of the members present urged the abolition of the office, and the following motion, as proposed by Councillor Hanton and seconded by Alderman Hughes met with opposition, but was nevertheless carried on a division viz:

That the Office of Veterinary Inspector to the Council be continued for one year longer from 7th September next.

An outbreak of fire which took place on the night of 30th July Ultimo, at the Works of Messrs Pierce & Co., manufacturers of cycles and agricultural implements, was made the subject of a communication received from Mr. Joseph S. Thompson, Captain of the Wexford Volunteer Fire Brigade. Mr. Thompson drew attention to the serious danger that existed through the want of a quick and certain means of conveying alarm of fires, first to the members of the Fire Brigade, and then to the Officials of the Council who had charge of the main valve in the event of the water being shut off at night. The fact that there was not telephone communication between the two Police Stations led to delay, misunderstanding, and confusion, with the result that a call at one end of the town took an unnecessarily long time to reach the other end. The question of



protection and regulation of the crowd by the Police in the case of a big fire was a vital one. On the occasion in question the multitude were allowed to throng the passages and interfere with the hose, so that the efforts of the Brigade were seriously encumbered.

The Communication was referred to the Finance and Works Committee to deal with as they thought fit.

A communication from the Local Government Board, under date of 14th July 1910, No.41,839, was read. It contained extracts from the Medical Officer's Return, Form L, for the half-year ended 31st March 1910. The Return showed that the water supply to the Urban District was good, but was capable of being improved by filtration and that pigs were kept too near dwellings in some of the poorer localities. The contents of the Return were noted.

A communication from the same Department under date of 25th July 1910, No.48,365, was read. It referred to the Trade Boards Act 1909. It was seen on reference to the copy of the Act which accompanied the communication that the Enactment applied only to trades at present set out in the Schedule thereto. So far, Wexford was not affected by the Act and there was no action taken.

*James Sinnott Sep 5/10*

2nd. August 1910.

A Special meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon for the purpose of electing a Harbour Commissioner as provided by the Wexford Harbour Act, 1874, and Acts amending the same.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, James J. Stafford, George Hadden.

Councillors:- Joseph Doyle, John O'Connor, James Hore, Joseph Kelly, Francis Carty, Nicholas Byrne, Nicholas Prendergast, James French, Robert Hanton, Michael Browne, Thomas O'Brien.

The Secretary of the harbour Board notified that only one member of the Council, namely, Mr. Benjamin Hughes, had been nominated as required previous to the meeting being held, and thereupon on the motion of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Hore, it was

RESOLVED:- That Alderman Hughes be and is hereby elected a Harbour Commissioner to represent the Corporation for one year from this day.

Alderman Hughes returned thanks for his election.

*James Sinnott Sep 5/10*



5th September 1910.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, James J. Stafford, John Tyghe.

Councillors:- James Memahon, Nicholas Byrne, James Hore, Joseph Kelly,  
Joseph Kingsberry, Robert Hanton, Howard Rowe, Frank Carty,  
Michael Browne, Nicholas Prendergast, John O'Connor.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £1939. 10. 1 were submitted and having been examined were approved and an Advice note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of paying Orders numbered from 79 to 109 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended August, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY.			LOAN.		
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	1169.	7.	3	486.	17.	4
Total sums received to close of last month	492.	3.	7	2000.	0.	0
TOTAL	1661.	10.	10	2486.	17.	4
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	-.	-.	-.	-.	-.	-
Payments orderd at this meeting.	874.	17.	1	1064.	13.	0
TOTAL	874.	17.	1	1064.	13.	0
Net Balance due by Treasurer.	786.	13.	9	1422.	4.	4

R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per bank Books due by Treasurer.	1661.	10.	10	2486.	17.	4
Outstanding Orders.	874.	17.	1	1064.	13.	0
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	786.	13.	9	1422.	4.	4

With reference to minutes of proceedings of 2nd. August last, it was announced that a Special Lamp Committee appointed on that day had met and considered the proposal to prolong the period each year during which the public lamps were kept lighting.

They formed the opinion that the lighting period should be emlarged from nine months to ten months per annum, and tHat the existing arrangements with regard to leaving the lights out on moonlit nights should be cancelled and the lamps kept lighting every night during the ten months in question. This arrangement would entail an increase in the cost of lighting from £2. 8. 6 to £3. per lamp, or in the aggregate an increase in the gas charge of £90. 5.- 6 per annum.

Before making any recommendation however the Committee took occasion to see Mr. Lyne , Secretary of the Gas Company, and as a result of the interview he undertook to submit to the Council a suggestion which out of the wealth of his experience he considered it advisable to be fallen in with. This was, as



per his letter of this day's date, that all the lamps be lighted for ten months except for twelve nights during each moon, and on these twelve nights they would be alight until twelve o'clock when extinguishing would be commenced, and on each night during the succeeding eleven nights extinguishing would commence each night a little later than the preceeding night. By adopting this suggestion the additional gas charge would be only about £76. a year.

The matter having been fully considered, it was resolved on the motion of Alderman Stafford, seconded by Alderman Hughes.

That the public lamps of the town be kept lighting in future after dark for the same period of nine months per annum, as prescribed by present arrangements, but that they be kept also lighting within that period during what are defined as moonlit nights at a cost of £2. 16. 6 per lamp, as specified in the Gas Co's letter of 1st. August 1910.

Mr. J. S. Thompson, Captain of the Wexford Volunteer Fire Brigade, applied by letter to have the Brigade provided with 200 feet of fire hose in lengths of 50 feet, furnished with couplings to match existing connections and also two additional hand pipes furnished with nozzles screwed to fit interchangeably with the existing ones.

The introduction of this matter gave rise to some comments on the present strength of the Fire Brigade, having regard to the belief generally entertained that the Brigade was not sufficiently strong in numbers to cope with the unprecedentedly large conflagration which broke out on the premises of Messrs Pierce & Co. on the night of 30th July last.

Thereupon it was ordered. That the Finance and Works Committee, with the assistance of Mr. Thompson, be requested to take the question of enlarging the list of members of the Fire Brigade and the expediency of providing any service appliances needed into consideration on an early date.

Tenders received in respect of printing and supplying all the books, forms and placards required by the Council for one year were submitted to the meeting. They were from the five local printing works, viz. The people Office, the Free press office, The Independent Printing Works, John English & Co., and Walter Hanrahan. One of the conditions under which intending contractors were required to perform the work was that their employes were to be paid the minimum standard wages prevailing in the town, as per resolutions of the Council of 3rd. July 1899 and 2nd. march 1903.

At this point a deputation from the Wexford Branch of the Typographical Association, consisting of Messrs Sinnott and martin accompanied by Mr. Hugh McManus of Belfast, Organizing Secretary of the Association for Ireland, waited on the meeting to express the views of that Body. They pointed out that there were only three of the Printing Firms in Wexford who recognized the principle of "Fair Wages". These were The People Office, The Free press office and Mr. Hanrahan. But as to the other two Firms the Deputation seemed to be in want of sufficient information and was not able to show any reliable proof of non-compliance with the rule to pay the full rate of wages in these cases. This being so there seemed no alternative but to call on all the Firms



in the town to produce their wages books. It was accordingly arranged that the consideration of the question be adjourned to Wednesday, 7th Instant, to permit of the Mayor and Town Clerk accompanied by Mr. McManus and Mr. Sinnott visiting the Printing Offices and obtaining information on the point.

It was announced that tenders had been invited by advertisement in respect of supplying pipes to be used in the construction of a proposed new sewer at the rear of the Loretto Convent, but only one had been received. This was opened and found to be from Mr. Matthew Harpur of Wexford. Mr. Harpur was prepared to supply 9<sup>inch</sup> cast-iron pipes, nine feet long weighing about 4 cwt 3 qrs each at 6/- per cwt; obtuse bends at 10/- per cwt; 9 inch earthenware pipes at 2/- per length, junctions at 3/- per length.

The Town Surveyor on being referred to stated that the prices quoted were reasonable, and thereupon on the motion of Alderman Stafford, seconded by Councillor More, the tender was accepted.

*James Sinnott*  
20/3/10

7th September 1910.

An adjourned Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at 7. 30 p. m.

The members present were :-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes.

Councillors:- Nicholas Byrne, Francis Carty, James Hore, John Murphy,  
Thomas O'Brien, James McMahon, Richard Gibson, Joseph Kelly,  
James Ffrench, Joseph Kingsberry, John O'Connor, Robert Hanton,  
Nicholas Prendergast, James Goodisson, Patrick Clancy.

The consideration of the question of accepting tenders which was postponed from 5th Instant till today was resumed. The mayor stated that in the interval all the printing offices had been visited and they all gave full explanations of the way in which they dealt with their employes. They all maintained that they observed the fair wage principle and were prepared to show their wages books, or submit copies of them. In the case of the two Firms whose bona fides were impugned, His Worship stated that the Proprietor of the Independent Printing Works asserted that he paid the recognized rate of wages, but as he had so few hands he kept no wages book, and this statement was substantiated by his journeyman, Mr. Brennan. Mr. English said that he employed four journeymen to two of whom he paid 25/- per week and to the other two 21/- per week, this latter wage being below the standard rate. Mr. Sinnott, Secretary of the Wexford Branch of the Typographical Association was then called before the meeting, as was also Mr. English. Investigation proved that Mr. English was ignorant of what was the



standard rate of wages in the town, and that the Association had treated him in an exceptional way, in as much as they had given written notice of what the standard was to the Independent Office, but they had given him no notice to that effect. Under these circumstances the meeting decided to open and consider the whole five tenders.

Thereupon each of the tenders were gone over seriatim, and the cheapest item in each tender was accepted.

The Local Government Board by their letter of 8th August 1910, No48,611, intimated regarding the Solicitor's Bill of Costs which was the subject of a Minute of the 4th July 1910, that the matter rested with the Auditor, and if the Council were dissatisfied with his decision it was open to them to appeal to the Court of King's Bench or the Local Government Board.

It was thereupon ordered:- That in order to satisfy the behests of Mr. Baker, the the Solicitor be required to subject his Bill of Costs to taxation.

*James Sinnott* Oct 3/10

3rd. October 1910.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were;-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:) George Madden, Benjamin Hughes.

Councillors:- Thomas O'Brien, James McMahon, Joseph Doyle, John O'Connor, Nicholas Prendergast, James Hore, Joseph Kelly, Richard Gibson, Howard Rowe, Nicholas Byrne, Francis Carty.

The minutes of 5th and 7th September 1910 were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month amounting in the/ aggregate to £530. 5. 5 were submitted and having been examined were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 110 to 130 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of September 1910, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY	LOAN
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	786. 13. 9	1422. 4. 4
Total sums received to close of last month.	871. 2. 8	- . -
TOTALS	1657. 16. 5	1422. 4. 4
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . -	- . -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	224. 0. 5	306. 5. 0
TOTALS	224. 0. 5	306. 5. 0
Net balances due by Treasurer, being difference of above Totals.	1433. 16. 0	1115. 19. 4



# RECONCILEMENT.

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	1657. 16. 5	1422 . 4. 4
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	224. 0. 5	306. 5. 0
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	1433. 16. 0	1115. 19. 4

An official notice was read from Messrs P. J. O'Flaherty and Son, Solicitors for the Wexford Gas Company, containing notification of the intention of the Company to apply to the Board of Trade for approval of the use, for testing gas under the Wexford gas Order, 1903, of a new testing burner known as the Metropolitan Argand No. 2 instead of Sugg's London Argand No. 1 as specified in Clause 28 of the said Order, and furthermore that it was open to the Municipal Council if they conceived any ground for objection to the use of the substituted burner to make representations to the Board of Trade within a specified time.

A letter which accompanied the notice contained an explanation of the object of the Company in making the application. This was to obtain a burner that was designed to give, nearly as it was at present possible, the true illuminating value of the gas tested, and as the use of this burner had been sanctioned for several cities and towns in England, and the Dublin Gas Company in Ireland, the Wexford Company considered they were entitled to employ the same make of burner. This explanation was very good so far as it went, but there was nothing to show whether, and if so how far, the interests of gas consumers would be affected by the proposed alteration. The question was a technical one and required for its solution the light of expert knowledge.

Thereupon on the motion of Alderman Madden, seconded by Councillor Prendergast, It was Resolved: That the services of a gas tester be engaged to advise the Council as to the proper course for them to follow in the matter and pending the receipt of expert advice that notice of objection be served on the Board of Trade so that the Council might be in a position to follow up the objection if necessary

It was ordered:- That the Waterworks Committee be requested to meet on a convenient day and proceed by car to Coolree Reservoir on a visit of inspection.

Attention was drawn to the minutes of proceedings of 10th November 1909, on which occasion there were received and opened two tenders in respect of the construction in Grogan's Road and Carrigeen two adjoining streets, of a concrete footpath.

The necessity for this work was consequent on the erection in the locality named of fifteen dwellings for the housing of the working classes. The two tenders were from Mrs. Mary O'Connor, Builder, and John Bolger, Courtlough. The former offered to do the work in consideration of being paid £61. 15. 0, and the latter £15. 9.0. which offer was accepted. Subsequently Mr. Bolger refused to do the work or enter into a contract in respect of doing it, vide minutes of 6th December 1909.

The dwellings were now approaching completion and the time had arrived when it was necessary to proceed with the laying of the path and the question for consideration was would Mrs O'Connor, who it was announced was still satisfied to abide by



her offer, be employed to have the work done at the price named by her, especially as the disparity in the prices was enormous. Hereupon the Town Surveyor stated that his estimate of the cost showed that the work could not be done for less than £57, and having regard to this fact it was proposed by Alderman Hadden that Mrs O'Connor's tender be accepted.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Doyle and was carried unanimously.

Two tenders were received in respect of supplying twelve forms to enlarge the seating accommodation of the Town Hall. They were from Walker, Beary & Co., who undertook to supply the articles at a cost of £6. 5. 0, and William Keane who was prepared to supply them at a cost of £7. 4. 0.

The lower tender was accepted.

A communication from the urban Council of Ballinasloe showed that that Body was desirous of having the provision of the Local Government Act, 1898 regarding the rating of houses under £4. valuation amended. The object in view was to make the owners of these houses liable for the rates as they were before the passing of the Act because of the difficulty of recovering rates from occupiers of houses let to weekly tenants.

The text of the proposed amendment which was embodied in the letter ran as follows:-

"Whenever the net annual value of the whole of the rateable hereditaments liable to be rated for poor Rate occupied by any person or persons having no greater Estate or interest therein than a tenancy from year to year shall not exceed four pounds, the poor rate in respect of such property shall be made on the immediate lessor or lessors of such person or persons, and such lessor or lessors shall for the purpose of the Poor Relief (Ireland) Acts, 1838 to 1862, and the enactments amending or incorporating the same be deemed to be the occupier or occupiers of the said hereditaments, and if at the time of making any rate the name of the immediate lessor be not accurately known to the person making the rate, it shall be sufficient to describe him therein as 'the immediate lessor' with or without any name or further addition, and such rate shall be held to be duly made on him by such description and shall be recoverable from him accordingly notwithstanding any error or defect in his name or description or the entire omission of his name therein."

The matter was considered and on the motion of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Hore it was decided to make an effort to bring about the amendment through Parliamentary action.

The Hon. Secretary of the Wexford Lecture Association communicated by letter the terms of a resolution adopted by the Association as follows

"That the Hon. Secretary be directed to write to the Corporation asking them to give the lecture Association the use of the Town Hall for their Winter series of Lectures free of charge, the Lecture Association paying the

Caretaker the sum of £6 for the use of the Hall.



In order to comply with the requirements of the Standing Orders, Councillor Carty gave notice that he would move, on an early date, the amendment of the Scale of Charges relating to the Town Hall with a view to the request of the Association being granted.

The notice was accepted.

*James Sinnott Oct 12/10*

12th October 1910.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held this day (pursuant to the Mayor's requisition) at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock P. M. for the purpose of considering a Committee Recommendation as to the propriety of the Council acquiring a quantity of land containing 14 Acres, 1 Rood and 7 Perches, together with three houses, to permit of the opening of a new road from John Street to Airhill, including land for building sites adjoining such road and for any purpose which might hereafter be decided on, and to take such action thereon as might be thought desirable.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, James J, Stafford, Walter Walsh, George Hadden.

Councillors:- James French, Patrick Clancy, Nicholas Byrne, James McMahon, Francis Carty, John Murphy, Joseph Kingsberry, John O'Connor, Robert Hanton, Richard Gibson, Joseph Doyle, James Goodisson, Howard Rowe, Nicholas Prendergast, Joseph Kelly, Thomas O'Brien, James Hore.

Mr. M. J. O'Connor Corporation Solicitor was in attendance.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The Mayor took the opportunity of the assembling of the present meeting to call attention to the death, on the 6th Instant, of the late Alderman John Tyghe. He paid a graceful tribute to the memory of the deceased and said that were it not for the fact that the business for which the meeting was convened admitted of no delay he was prepared to suggest the postponement of the meeting as a mark of sorrow for the loss of a revered and valued member of the Council.

Under the circumstances he proposed that an expression of condolence in behalf of the Council be sent to Mrs Tyghe and her family on the sad event which had taken place.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Hughes and was passed unanimously.

The expediency of opening a new road within the town from John Street to St. Peter's Road at Airhill was then taken into consideration. The question was one on which the ratepayers as well as the Council had been given ample opportunity to make up their minds such as the importance of it demanded, it having been before the Council on five different occasions, namely on 6th August 1906, 5th January 1908, 3rd. February 1908, 2nd. March 1908, and 7th June 1909. On the last-mentioned



date a Committee of the entire Council was appointed who reviewed former Committee reports and made further enquiries. As a result of their labours they had come to the conclusion that the necessity for the road was real and urgent and they had formulated a Scheme under which the opening of the road could be carried out to the best advantage and which they strongly recommended to the favourable consideration of the Council. The scheme comprehended the acquisition of a quantity of land and three houses, the estimated compensation for which would not exceed £3470, the construction of the road in the manner previously contemplated at an estimated cost of £2500, and the obtainment of a Provisional Order, necessitated by the fact that some of the Occupiers and Owners refused to sell their interest in their lands, at a cost not exceeding £300, making in all £6270. As the road would run through lands naturally adapted to the purposes of desirable building sites, the quantity of land to be taken was to far exceed the quantity absolutely required for the construction of the road proper, but the surplus land was to be sold as occasion offered as sites for residences, except a portion on the north side which was to be specially reserved for any purpose which the Council might, at any future time, settle on.

The question was deliberated on at great length. There was a difference of opinion as to the need for the undertaking, and considerable opposition was evinced towards it. Those in favour of it endorsed the views of the Committee on every point, while the arguments against professed to show that the figures detailed in the estimate were not well-founded and were altogether below what they should be. According to many of the opponents the cost could not be less than £10000.

Thereupon the following motion, as proposed by Alderman Hadden and seconded by Councillor <sup>Homer</sup> was put to the meeting, viz:-

That this meeting hereby authorizes the acquisition by the Council of certain plots of land lying between John Street and St. Peter's Road as delineated on the map of said lands containing Fourteen Acres, One Rood, and Seven Perches in the aggregate, together with three dwelling-houses in John Street to permit of the opening of a new road, and also to allow of the provision of a number of much-needed building sites adjoining such road, and for other purposes which may be hereafter specified, and in order to accomplish the object in view that our Solicitor be instructed to take such steps as may be necessary to obtain a provisional Order to secure the fee simple estate in possession of the said lands for the purposes aforesaid. Opinion was so much divided that it was found necessary to take a Poll, whereupon twelve members voted for and nine against the motion which was declared carried. The voting was as follows.

FOR Councillors Carty, Gibson, Goodisson, Hanton, McMahon, Byrne, O'Connor, Doyle, Kingsberry, Aldermen Hughes, Hadden, and The mayor.

AGAINST Councillors Hore, Murphy, Kelly, Pendergast, Rowe, French, Clancy, Aldermen Stafford and Walsh.

NEUTRAL Councillor O'Brien.



2nd. November 1910.

A Special meeting of the Council was held this day (pursuant to the Mayor's requisition) at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock p. m.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, George Hadden, James J. Stafford.

Councillors:- Nicholas Byrne, Nicholas Prendergast, Robert Hanton,  
Patrick Clancy, Joseph Kelly, Thomas O'Brien,  
James McMahon, Howard Rowe.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The meeting assembled to take into consideration a Report from a Deputation from the Finance & Works Committee containing the terms on which it was possible for the Council to come to an agreement with the Wexford Gas Company in virtue of the Council withdrawing opposition to the proposal of the Company to seek powers from the Board of Trade to repeal Clause 28 of the Wexford gas Act so as to allow of the Company using a modern design of burner in connexion with their gas testing apparatus.

The Committee had been fortified with the advice of Mr. Henry F. Cotton, City Gas Engineer, Dublin, whose assistance was called into requisition by virtue of resolution of the Council of 3rd. October Ultio. This gentleman had furnished two reports, one previous to an interview between the Deputation and the Manager of the Gas Works, and a supplementary one subsequent to the interview.

The Board of Trade had been served with notice on behalf of the Council, specifying that in reference to the application of the Gas Company in the matter, the Council had intended to make certain representations. These were set out as shown under the following headings, and were based on Mr. Cotton's advice.

1. That the said Company shall supply and fix free of charge to each slot meter consumer one complete incandescent burner ready for use.
2. That the Company shall, on application supply and fix free of charge a sufficient number of flat flame burners suitable for use with the new gas in place of any burners not being incandescent burners, used by the consumers at present.
3. That the said Company will guarantee to maintain a Standard Calorific Value which shall not fall below 500 British Thermal Units per cubic foot, and that the said Corporation shall be empowered to ascertain from time to time the heating value of the gas by use of an approved form of Calorimeter.
4. That the Company will agree to adjust the existing incandescent burners to suit the requirements of the new gas on application from any customer.
5. That the price of gas chargeable by the said Company shall be

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reduced by at least twopence per 1000 cubic feet, in consideration of the Corporation consenting to the said Company's use of the Metropolitan Argand No. 2 Burner, as by the use of this burner the cost of manufacture will be considerably reduced, and that this reduction be not subject to the terms of Clause 26 of the Gas and Water Clauses Confirmation Act, 1903, in reference to the dividends payable by the Company on a reduction in the price of gas being made.

The Report of the Deputation which was then read set forth such of the points above stated as the Gas Company were prepared to give way on.

They were as follows:-

1. To supply free of charge on application, as heretofore, flat flame burners as recommended by Mr. Cotton.
2. To adjust, free of charge, the existing incandescent burners to suit the new requirements, on application from any consumer.
3. To supply, free of charge, on application, to all users of slot meters not already having such, one incandescent burner complete.
4. To give a reduction of twopence per thousand in the price of gas to all consumers in the town and to allow a proportionate reduction in the charge for gas to public lamps.

The concluding words of the report ran as follows:-

In view of the substantial advantages thus conceded, the members of the Deputation recommend the Corporation to withdraw their notice of objection to the Board of Trade.

And in concluding his supplementary report, it was seen that Mr. Cotton stated "I might say that I consider the Corporation have got good terms and would not have got better in the interests of the consumers had they gone to Parliament." Thereupon on the motion of Alderman Hadden, seconded by Alderman Hughes, it was RESOLVED:- That the Report of the Deputation be adopted and that the Corporation Solicitor be instructed to notify the Board of Trade of the conditions of settlement of the case, and of the fact that no apposition would be given by the Council to the granting of the Gas Company's application.

*James Smith Nov 1/10*



7th November 1910.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's office at noon.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, George Hadden, James J. Stafford.

Councillors:- Nicholas Prendergast, James McMahon, Joseph Doyle, James Hore, Patrick Clancy, Nicholas Byrne, Joseph Kelly, Thomas O'Brien, Francis Carty, Joseph Kingsberry, Richard Gibson, Robert Hanton.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £1639. 7. 5 were submitted and having been examined were approved, and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 131 to 160 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of October 1910, including payments made at the meeting held on this day.

S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY.	LOAN.
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	1433. 16. 0	1115. 19. 4
Total sum received to close of last month.	495. 6. 0	- . -
TOTALS	1929. 2. 0	1115. 19. 4
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement	- . -	- . -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	1233. 7. 5	406. 0. 0
TOTALS	1233. 7. 5	406. 0. 0
Net balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	695. 14. 7	709. 19. 4

R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	1937. 5. 6	1115. 19. 4
Outstanding Orders	1241. 10. 11	406. 0. 0
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	695. 14. 7	709. 19. 4

A Statement of Account was submitted showing what the Capital and Annual Expenditure was in connection with the erection of 15 of the 39 houses at present being provided under a Scheme formulated under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, with a view to determining what the weekly rents would be, but it was not considered advisable to go into the latter question pending the receipt of a report from the Finance and Works Committee.

The matter was therefore adjourned to the 16th Instant to allow of the Committee making a report.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board dated 29th October 1910, No.66355 relative to the proposal of the Corporation to obtain a provisional order to enable them to acquire by compulsion certain lands in connection with the making of a new road, &c. as a development of the scheme for the improvement of the town of Wexford.

The Local Government Board pointed out that while the Corporation had power to



acquire so much land as was required for the purpose of making a new road, they could not acquire land for the purpose of selling it again for building sites.

Having regard to the terms of this letter, it was announced that Counsel's opinion had been obtained on the point as to whether the Corporation had any peculiar or exceptional rights under the Wexford Charter of Incorporation to purchase land and dispose of it again as building sites, in as much as the case was exceptional, for the reason that it so happened that all the land through which the road would lie was part of the Ancient Estate of the Corporation, but was in the possession of leaseholders.

The opinion was read, but it afforded no hope that the Corporation were empowered to speculate in land under any conditions, but as the opinion was of a highly technical character, it was referred to the Road Committee for consideration.

The Captain of the Volunteer Fire Brigade applied by letter for additional outfit for members of the Brigade, as the strength of the Corps had been increased by three members, and also for 200 additional feet of canvas hose, together with sundry appliances.

The consideration of this matter was also deferred to the 16th Instant to allow the Captain to come before the Corporation and make a verbal explanation.

With regard to an application of the Wexford Lecture Association for the use of the Town Hall for their winter series of lectures free of charge, the following motion, as proposed by Councillor Carty and seconded by Councillor Hore was adopted:-

That the nominal charge of 2/6 per lecture be made on the Association for the use of the Town Hall, together with which they be required to pay 2/6 per lecture as a fee to the Caretaker of the building.

On the recommendation of the Finance and Works Committee it was

ORDERED:- That persons engaging the use of the Town Hall in day time as well as at night, be required to pay, in addition to the charge for the Hall, a fee of 2/6 for the Caretaker, this order being made to supply an omission in the rule as to the Caretaker's fees made on 7th February 1910.

Attention was drawn to the fact that the printed list of liabilities issued to members of the Corporation each month was not done on Irish-made paper by the Independent Office, being in violation of the stipulations of the printing contract, and it was

ORDERED:- That the Proprietor of the Independent Works be written to and called on to do all printing for the Corporation on paper of Irish manufacture in future.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 15th instant, at half past seven o'clock p. m.

*James Smith*  
Nov 16/10



16th November 1910.

An adjourned Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock P. M.

The members present were;-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh, George hadden.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Patrick Clancy, Nicholas Prendergast,  
Howard Rowe, Robert Hanton, James Ffrench, Nicholas Byrne,  
Joseph Kelly, Richard Gibson, Joseph Doyle, Joseph Kingsberry,  
Thomas O'Brien, Michael Browne, Robert Hanton.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

With regard to minutes of 7th Instant, there was submitted a Statement of Account which had been under the consideration of the Finance and Works Committee on the 9th Instant, showing what the outlay had been in connection with the provision of 15 dwelling houses. Seven of these buildings had been erected at Grogan's Road, and eight of them at Carrigeen, the former being of a larger size than the latter. It was seen that the cost of providing the seven houses at Grogan's Road was £1449. 10. 0 and that the annual expenditure would come to £87. 18. 8, or £12. 11. 3 per house. According to this it was possible to let the houses at a weekly rent of 4/10 per house without causing the ratepayers to suffer any consequential loss. As to the eight houses in Carrigeen the Capital Expenditure was seen to be £1285. 4. 0 and the annual expenditure £77. 16. 5 or an annual expenditure of £9. 14. 7 per house, this permitting each house to be let at a weekly rent of 3/8 without causing any demand to be made on the rates. The Finance and Works Committee made a recommendation on the subject. They were of opinion that the houses were not large enough to command rents above estimated and rather than suffer the Council to run any risk of the houses being left idle, recommended that the seven houses in Grogan's Road should be let at 4/6 per week, and the eight at Carrigeen at 3/3 per week. *£140 per house*

The question was considered, whereupon it was proposed by Alderman Stafford, seconded by Councillor McMahon

That the recommendation of the Committee be adopted, and the rents fixed at 4/6 per week in the case of the houses at Grogan's Road, and 3/3 in the case of the houses at Carrigeen.

An amendment to this proposition was moved by Alderman hadden and seconded by Councillor Prendergast, in the following terms

That 4/10 be substituted for 4/6 and 3/2 for 3/3

This amendment was carried and the original motion as amended was passed.

As per application of the Captain of the fire Brigade, submitted on 7th inst it was ordered:-

That 200 feet of additional hose together with one new standpipe and one spray



protecting nozzle handpipe he provided for the use of the Brigade.

Regarding the application of the Brigade for additional outfit for members, Mr. Thompson, who was present stated that in compliance with the wish of the Council the strength of the Brigade had been increased to 15 members necessitating the provision of four new outfits. The cost of these and of the hose and other appliances above above-mentioned would be about £35. 15. 0 in all.

Thereupon on the motion of Alderman Hadden, seconded by Councillor Byrne, it was resolved to grant the application for the personal outfit, that the supply of the articles be obtained by tender from local traders, and that a condition be that the articles would be as far as possible of Irish manufacture.

The suggested connecting of George Street barrack with the Turncock's residence and also the connecting of the two Police Barracks by telephone was brought under notice and was urged strongly by Mr. Thompson.

On this subject the Mayor stated that he had been in communication with the Police Authorities and had asked them to pay the rent, or at least contribute towards the payment of the rent of the telephone between the two Barracks, but failed to obtain any concession on this score, as the Police Authorities had no funds that could be applied to the purpose. The rent for the two lines of telephone required was £9. a year.

The matter was considered, and on the motion of Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor McMahon, it was

Resolved:- That the Scheme of the Captain of the Fire Brigade for providing telephone communication to facilitate the spread of an alarm of fire be not adopted. A further suggestion of Mr. Thompson's as to having the lettering of the notice boards in the vicinity of the hydrants throughout the town renewed was approved of, and it was ordered that the necessary painting be done by contract.

*James Sinnott*  
*Dec 5/10*

5th December 1910.

A Statutable Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor. (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh, George Hadden, James J. Stafford.

Councillors:- Nicholas Prendergast, Patrick Clancy, Howard Rowe, James McMahon, Nicholas Byrne, Joseph Kelly, John O'Connor, Francis Carty, Richard Gibson.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £1431. 19. 5 were submitted, and having been examined were approved and



an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of paying Orders numbered from 161 to 193 inclusive.

Summary and Reconciliation of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of November 1910, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY	LOAN
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	£ 695. 14. 7	£ 709. 19. 4
Total sums received to close of last month.	553. 16. 6	- . - . -
TOTALS	1249. 11. 1	709. 19. 4
balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . - . -	- . - . -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	921. 14. 11	510. 4. 6
TOTALS	921. 14. 11	510. 4. 6
Net Balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	327. 16. 2	199. 14. 10

R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer	1249. 11. 1	709. 19. 4
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	921. 14. 11	510. 4. 6
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	327. 16. 2	199. 14. 10

The following order was made at the instance of Councillor Clancy, viz:-

That all former resolutions regulating the method of payment to the Caretaker of the Town hall be rescinded, and that in future those who use the Hall shall pay him 2/6 from 8 p. m. to 10 p. m., after 10 p. m. till midnight 2/6 extra, and any further time after midnight 10/-, the latter figure to cover payment for the entire night,

At the instance of Aldermen Hadden it was

Ordered:- That the Women's Health Association be exempted from the operation of the foregoing Order.

A Schedule received from the General Valuation Office, Ireland, was submitted showing that an alteration of valuation had been made by the Court of Quarter Sessions in the case of the premises belonging to the Dublin and South Eastern Railway Company within the Urban District of Wexford. The gross valuation had been £275 and this had been divided into two items of £62 and £213, but no increase or decrease had been made in the amount of the valuation. The effect of the alteration apparently was to relieve the Railway Company from liability to pay rates on a portion of their premises on the recognized legal principle that railway companies were subject only to one-fourth rating on certain classes of their property, as for example, the railway track, but the Schedule from the Valuation Office did not discriminate which portion of the premises was to be treated for rating purposes in the exceptional way.

Thereupon it was ordered that the Town Clerk should communicate with the valuation Office and obtain information on the point.

Referring to minutes of 7th November 1910, a letter was read from Mr. Newman, Proprietor of the Independent Press, stating that the paper sent him in connection with his printing contract with the Council was ordered by him from the



manufacturer as Irish-made paper.

Mr. Newman's statement was found to be wanting in as much as he gave no proof that the <sup>paper</sup> was of Irish manufacture, and the matter was deferred for further consideration.

A letter from the Royal Sanitary Institute, London, contained an invitation to the Council to send Delegates from their Body to a Congress of the Institute to be held in Belfast on July 24th next, and following days, but the question of appointing Delegates was adjourned till April next.

*James Sinnott*  
*Jan 2/11*

2nd. January 1911.

A Statutable Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

There were in attendance:-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the Chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, George Hadden, Robert Hanton, Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- Thomas O'Brien, Howard Rowe, Nicholas Prendergast, Nicholas Byrne, Michael Browne, Patrick Clancy, Richard Gibson, John O'Connor, James Hore, Joseph Kelly.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month amounting in the aggregate to £191. 18. 8 were submitted and having been examined were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 194 to 206 inclusive.

Summary and Reconciliation of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of December 1910, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY	LOAN
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement	327. 16. 2	199. 14. 10
Total sum received to close of last month.	783. 11. 2	-. -. -
TOTALS	1111. 7. 4	199. 14. 10
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	-. -. -	-. -. -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	185. 14. 2	6. 4. 6
TOTALS	185. 14. 2	6. 4. 6
Net balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	925. 13. 2	193. 10. 4

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	1120. 11. 7	201. 6. 10
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting.)	194. 18. 5	7. 16. 6
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	925. 13. 2	193. 10. 4

Regarding the order made at last meeting as to the fees payable to the Caretaker of the Town Hall, the following amending order was made.



That with the exception of the Women's Health Association, all persons needing the use of the Town Hall in daytime be required to pay a fee of 2/6 per day for the Cardtaker, together with the charge payable to the Council for the use of the building

A memorial was read from the occupiers of <sup>fifteen</sup> ~~thirteen~~ dwelling houses provided by the Council at Emmet Place off Trinity Street, containing a request that the yards at therere of the houses should be all laid down in concrete. It appears that at the present time and whenever wet weather occurred, the surface of the yards turned into yellow mud and was a source of much trouble and annoyance to the tenants.

It was ordered;- That the applications be granted, but that the work be not proceeded with until the suitable season arrives in which to lay concrete, and that provision be made in the next Rate Estimate for the cost of doing the work

In compliance with a decision of the Finance and Works Committee tenders were received from local traders in Wexford in respect of supplying Fire Hose and Fire Appliances. The tenders were from Mr. David D. Reid, who was prepared to supply the articles required for £21. 18. 10, and from Mr. W. R. Hamilton, who was prepared to supply them for £18. 10. 0. On the occasion on which it was decided to deal with local traders in the matter, the Committee had before them quotations from two London Manufacturers, messrs Shand, Mason, and Co., and Messrs Merryweather and Sons. On the local tenders being opened, the London quotations were referred to, and it was found that Meryweather and Sons would supply for £17. 14. 0 what Mr. Hamilton asked £18. 10. 0 for, but then, Merryweahhners' appliances, without some small alterations were not adapted to the existing stock of the Wexford Brigade, and were not quoted to be delivered in Wexford "carriage paid".

The question then arose as to whether Mr. Hamilton's tender or Merryweathers' quotation was the preferable, and Alderman Hughes proposed that Mr. Hamilton's tender at £18. 10. 0 be accepted.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Rowe, and it was carried, as on a division ten members were for and only three against it.

A resolution passed by the Corporation of Waterford on a recent occasion was brought under the notice of the meeting by request of Mr. Fealy, Town Clerk of Waterford.

It was in the following t erms.

"That in future when an advertisement is inserted in a local paper that a copy of it be also inserted in the 'Freeman's Journal'.

There was no action taken on this matter.

The Local Government Board, per their letter of 16th December 1910, No.76,430, drew attention to an extract from the Medical Officer's Return Form L. for the half year ended 30th September last. The Return showed that so far as the Urban District of Wexford is concerned, the water supply was good but could be improved by filtration. Some of the sewers were of an antiquated form, but a

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# Notice of Result of Elections

## Borough of Wexford.

### on of Aldermen and Councillors

For the above Borough in the year 1911.

undersigned, being the Returning Officer at the Election of Aldermen and Councillors for the said Borough, do hereby give notice that the Candidates at the Election whose Names are entered in Columns 1 and 2 of each of the Tables in the statement hereunder, were duly elected Aldermen and Councillors, respectively, for the Wards to the Names of which in Column 3 the Names of such Candidates are entered.

### Aldermen.

NAMES OF CANDIDATES.		PLACES OF ABODE (4)	Number of Votes Recorded (5)	Names of Candidates Elected. (6)
SURNAMES. (2)	OTHER NAMES. (3)			
Sinnott	James	Main Street South	...	James Sinnott
Walsh	Walter	Faythe	...	Walter Walsh
Hadden	George	Springfield	...	George Hadden

### COUNCILLORS.

NAMES OF CANDIDATES.		PLACES OF ABODE. (4)	Number of Votes Recorded (5)	Names of Candidates Elected. (6)
SURNAMES. (2)	OTHER NAMES. (3)			
Carroll	Paul Joseph	North Main Street	...	Paul Joseph Carroll
Clancy	Patrick	Mary Street	...	Patrick Clancy
Ffrench	James	Rowe Street	...	James Ffrench
Prendergast	Nicholas	Main Street South	...	Nichs. Prendergast
Rowe	Howard	Spawell Road	...	Howard Rowe
Doyle	Joseph	Commercial Quay	...	Joseph Doyle
Kingsberry	Joseph	Castlehill Street	...	Joseph Kingsberry

this 17th day of January, 1911.

WM. A BROWNE, Returning Officer

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main drainage scheme was being carried out. Nuisances consisted of pigs kept too near dwellings in a few instances.

The meeting considered the report, on the whole, a satisfactory one.

Attention was called to the necessity for having an additional gas lamp erected in South Main Street and another in Grogan's Road to light the new houses erected there, and another in Talbot Street, and the Lamp Committee was requested to traverse the streets of the town after dark on a convenient night and see where some additional lamps might be put up to the best advantage.

The advisableness of the Gas Company being required to provide a Pressure Gauge at Redmond Road was urged as this locality was situate at one of the lowest levels of the town, but it was pointed out that the Company had been asked on divers former occasions to provide a gage at the point mentioned, but they had refused stating that they were satisfied to erect a Gage at the Town Clerk's Office, which was situate midway between the highest and the lowest levels of the town.

It was suggested that a settlement of the question might be brought about by means of an interview between the Council and the Company. The suggestion was approved, and the following were appointed a Committee to wait on the Gas Company, Aldermen Hadden, Stafford, and Councillors Hore and O'Brien.

*James Sinnott*  
*Jan 23/11*

23rd. January 1911.

A Statutable Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Hall at noon.

The members present were:-

James Sinnott Esq., Mayor (in the Chair)

Aldermen:- Robert Hanton, Walter Walsh, James J. Stafford, Benjamin Hughes, George Hadden.

Councillors:- patrick Clancy, Howard Rowe, Nicholas Prendergast, Joseph kingsberry, Joseph Doyle, John O'Connor, Nicholas Byrne, Joseph Kelly, James McMahon, Paul Joseph Carroll, John Murphy, Francis Carty, James Ffrench, Richard Gibson, Thomas O'Brien, Michael Browne.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Pursuant ot Section 94(11) of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, the business of electing a Mayor was proceeded with, whereupon on the motion of His Worship, The Mayor, seconded by Alderman Stafford, it was unanimously

R E S O L V E D:- That Councillor Howard Rowe be and is hereby elected Mayor of the Borough of Wexford for year commencing this day, and until his Successor be appointed and shall have accepted Office.

Councillor Rowe thereupon made and subscribed a Declaration accepting the Office to which he had been elected, he was then duly installed in the Chair, and expressed his thanks for the trust reposed in him by his Colleagues.



On the motion of Alderman Hanton, seconded by Councillor McMahon, it was carried unanimously.

That we take this opportunity to present to the outgoing mayor, Alderman James Sinnott, an expression of profound thanks for the many services which he has rendered to his native town in his capacity of Mayor of Wexford for the last two years.

As Chairman of the Council he has always displayed unflagging zeal, coupled with courtesy and consideration towards his Colleagues in the administration of Municipal affairs, and as Chief Magistrate he has identified himself with, and participated in, every movement which made for the advancement of the interests, not only of Wexford, but of Ireland during the two exceptionally momentous years that have now closed.

Alderman Sinnott in suitable terms acknowledged the Council's appreciation of his services as Mayor.

It was resolved that the three quarterly Meetings of the Council to be held previous to 15th January 1912 be fixed to be held on Monday, 8th May 1911 at noon, Tuesday, 8th August 1911 at noon, and Monday, 6th November 1911 at noon.

The appointment of Committees was then proceeded with, and it was

R E S O L V E D :- That the Finance and Works; Waterworks; and Public Health Committees be composed of the entire Council for the coming year.

It was further determined:- That the Technical Instruction Committee for the Borough be formed of the following seven members of the Corporation. His Worship, The Mayor, Aldermen Walsh, Hadden and Hughes, and Councillors Hore, Kelly, Carty, in addition to the Protestant Rector, Venerable Archdeacon Latham, The Catholic Administrator, Rev. Thomas Cloney, The Superior of the Christian Brothers, Rev. D. D. Madigan, and Messrs Joseph S. Thompson, Richard Walsh, and Patrick Hanrahan.

Referring to Sections 28 and 29 of the Urban District Councillors and Town Commissioners (Ireland) <sup>Election</sup> Order 1898, it was pointed out that at the ordinary election on 16th Instant of Councillors for St. Iberius Ward, there were three vacancies filled, one of which was recently caused by the retirement from office as Councillor of Alderman Hanton, who but for having retired would have gone out of office in two years, namely on 15th January 1913.

There was no opposition to the candidates nominated and there was no Poll taken and consequently it remained with the Council to determine which of the three Councillors elected, namely Patrick Clancy, James Ffrench, and Paul Joseph Carroll was to be deemed to be elected to fill the casual vacancy.

It was pointed out that Messrs Clancy and Ffrench had been the outgoing Councillors of the Ward on the occasion, while Mr. Carroll had never held Office, and thereupon it was determined that Councillor Carroll was to be deemed to be elected to fill the casual vacancy.

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*John J. Byrne Mayor*  
Feb. 6 1911



6th February 1911.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's office at noon.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, James Sinnott, Walter Walsh, Robert Hanton.

Councillors:- Joseph Doyle, Nicholas Prendergast, Patrick Clancy, James McMahon, Nicholas Byrne, James Hore, Joseph Kingsberry, Paul J. Carroll, Richard Gibson, John O'Connor, Thomas O'Brien, Francis Carty, Joseph Kelly, John Murphy.

The minutes of meeting of 23rd. January 1911 were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £385. 5. 10 were laid before the meeting and having been examined were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of paying Orders numbered from 207 to 236 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of January 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY	LOAN
Balance due by Treasurer as per last statemant.	925. 13. 2	193. 10. 4
Total sums received to close of last month.	553. 17. 8	-. -. -
TOTAL	1479. 10. 10	193. 10. 4
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	-. -. -	-. -. -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	310. 7. 2	74. 18. 8
Total	310. 7. 2	74. 18. 8
Net balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	1169. 3. 8	118. 11. 8

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	1481. 0. 10	195. 2. 4
Outstanding Orders, including those issued at this Meeting.	311. 17. 2	76. 10. 8
Net balance as above due by Treasurer.	1169. 3. 8	118. 11. 8

One of the accounts passed this day for payment evoked considerable criticism. It was a sum of £15. 14. 2, and formed the balance of a Bill of Costs claimed by the Corporation Solicitor. The Bill of Costs in question was paid to Mr. O'Connor on the 3rd. January 1910 by way of a compromise. He on his part abated his demand in consideration of the Council foregoing their right to submit the Bill to taxation. This arrangement did not satisfy the mind of Mr. Baker, Local Government Auditor, who entertained doubts as to the legality of one item which alone amounted to £55. As a consequence the Bill was duly taxed, whereupon the Taxing Master had allowed all the items claimed restoring the Bill to its original amount. To this was added the cost of the taxation proceedings. This left a balance of £15. 14. 2 as above which the Solicitor demanded as his rightful fees. The action of the Auditor in the matter



was made a subject of comment and was directed to be brought under the notice of the Local Government Board.

A communication from Major Fuge, Labour Exchange Divisional Officer, Dublin, was read. He stated that Wexford Town was one of the Centres selected in Ireland for extensions of the Board of Trade Labour Exchange Scheme, and if an Exchange was desired there it was necessary that written undertakings should be obtained from Employers of labour to support the Institution. By support was meant that in the event of Employers requiring workpeople they would engage them through the medium of the Exchange, and if workpeople also undertook to avail of it it would do much to ensure the success of the Scheme.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Carty it was Resolved:- That an endeavour be made to have a Labour Exchange opened in the Town at the earliest possible date.

With a view to the object of this resolution being accomplished, a Committee was formed. This was made to consist of the Mayor and Councillors O'Connor, Carty, and Kingsberry,

A letter No. 642, dated the 25th January 1911 from the Local Government Board was submitted. The Board stated with reference to an entry on the minutes of the proceedings of the Council on 2nd. January 1911, that the Council as a Sanitary Authority, should give careful consideration to the question of the filtration of the water supply of the town.

The meeting, taking into consideration that as the water supply was abundant, and of fairly good quality, and as the filtration of it would involve an outlay of several thousands of pounds, deferred the question for further consideration. Alderman Hughes by letter tendered his resignation as Representative of the Corporation on the Harbour Board. He insisted on retiring from the Office in order to allow of the ex-mayor, who had taken a deep interest in the administration of the Harbour Trust, an opportunity to be nominated for the position. He thanked the Corporation for the confidence they had always reposed in him (Alderman Hughes) as their representative.

The resignation was accepted.

The Secretary of the Wexford Branch of the Postmen's Federation requested by letter that steps should be taken to have all the houses in Wexford properly numbered. Much inconvenience was caused to the Postmen by the fact that in some cases more than one house in the one street bore the one number.

This matter was referred to the Town Surveyor with instructions to him to formulate a Scheme of numbering for the consideration of the Finance and Works Committee.

The Wexford County Committee of the Gaelic league brought under notice a resolution which had been adopted by that Body regarding the influx, on Sundays, into the towns of Ireland of what they deemed to be foreign and debasing literature, and calling on the Clergy, the Public Houses, and the Public generally to check this evil.



A discussion thereupon took place in the course of which the practice in Wexford of selling English Newspapers on the streets on Sunday was animadverted on, but it was pointed out that no power seemed to be vested in the Council to prohibit the sale of literature on the Sabbath. Shops had a right to be kept open for this purpose, and the practice of selling on the streets, which was confined to a few boys, was also permissible. The ex-mayor stated that he had suppressed the reprehensible practice among those boys of crying the papers on Sundays to the annoyance of the inhabitants. There was no cause of complaint on that score. The suggestion then that a Bye Law should be made to prohibit this kind of Sunday trading was not entertained.

It was announced that the ex-Mayor had written to Lord Muskerry requesting an extension of the term of the lease of a plot of ground in the Bullring on which the Butter Market was erected, and had received a reply. Lord Muskerry stated he would communicate with Messrs Little & Nunn, Solicitors, and had no doubt that matters would be arranged satisfactorily to permit of the Council erecting the proposed Municipal Buildings.

The Public Lamp Committee reported they had traversed the streets of the town after nightfall and visited localities where it was alleged there was need for additional gas lamps. They had inspected grogan's Road, Talbot Street, Distillery Road, Maudlintown, and Main Street South. They recommended that one more lamp should be erected in each of those streets at points indicated in the report. Touching an existing lamp situate at a point on the boundary line at Maudlintown, the Committee suggested that it should be shifted to the opposite side of the street, or failing that, that it should be raised two feet above the present height.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor Prendergast, seconded by Alderman Sinnott, it was Resolved:- That the Report of the Lamp Committee be adopted.

It was Ordered:- That the attention of the Lamp Committee be directed to the necessity for re-arranging the position of a lamp convenient to Patrick Square, and in Bride Street.

Intimation of the intended holding in Dublin from the 15th to the 21st August 1911 of a Conference of Sanitary Authorities and a Congress of the Royal Institute of Public Health, was afforded by a communication from the Town Clerk, Dublin, and Sir C. A. Cameron. The subjects for discussion were principally to be Housing of the Working Classes, Town planning, Disposal and Treatment of Sewage, etc. The Corporation were invited to send Delegates to the Conference and Congress. The following were appointed to attend as Delegates, viz: Alderman Sinnott and Councillors McMahon and Carty.

Relative to the proposal of the Council to obtain compulsory powers to acquire lands for the purpose of making a new road etc., (a subject which was last under consideration on 7th November last) a letter from the Local Government Board (No. 78148) dated the 6th January 1911, was read. The Board did the Council the favour to state that there was clearly no way under the existing law in which the Council could purchase land for the purpose of selling it to the public for the purpose of building a road.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Hore, it was



Resolved:- That the question of the opening of the proposed road be referred to a Committee of the whole Council

A tender which was received in respect of supplying four outfits for members of the Fire Brigade was submitted, and the question of the irregularity of entertaining it was raised. No tenders had been invited for the present meeting for supplying these articles, but there had been advertisements issued asking for tenders to be furnished in time for the previous Monthly Meeting on 2nd. January last, on which occasion there was no response to the advertisements. Under these circumstances it was contended that to consider the tender was a matter of doubtful propriety, and it was proposed by Alderman Sinnott that the tender be not considered, and that fresh advertisements be published calling for tenders to be sent in in regard to supplying the goods required against next meeting.

This motion was seconded by Councillor Gibson, and was passed, but not without a division having been taken, whereupon nine members voted for and eight against the motion.

It was suggested that an effort should be made to have the Mayor of Wexford for the time being appointed a Member of the Committee of management of the County Infirmary and of the Enniscorthy Lunatic Asylum. As the contribution in the form of Poor Rate from the Town towards the maintenance of these two Institutions amounted to a substantial sum, it seemed appropriate that the County Town should be directly represented on these Committees, not to speak of the fact that the inclusion of the mayor in the membership would be an act of grace and courtesy which would be fully recognized and appreciated by the inhabitants of Wexford. Thereupon the Town Clerk was directed to write to the County Council representing to them that it was the views of the Corporation that the standing of the mayor entitled him to a position of membership on the two Committees mentioned.

With reference to minutes of 5th December 1910, Councillor Clancy stated that he had sent away a specimen of the paper used by Mr. Newman in the printing work done by him by contract for the Corporation to see if it was of Irish manufacture. He had received letters which he submitted alleging that the specimen, as far as could be ascertained, was not of Irish manufacture, but this was not deemed sufficient proof of the infraction of his contract on the part of Mr. Newman, and there was no action taken in the matter.

*Howard Rowe* Mayor  
Feb 22-1911



22nd. February 1911.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock p. m.

The members in attendance were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- Patrick Clancy, Nicholas Byrne, Joseph Doyle, Nicholas Prendergast, Francis Carty, James Hore, Joseph Kelly, James McMahon, Richard Gibson, Thomas O'Brien, Paul J. Carroll.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The present meeting assembled to elect a Harbour Commissioner pursuant to the provisions of the Wexford Harbour Acts, in place of Alderman Hughes, whose resignation as Representative of the Corporation on the Harbour Board was accepted on the 6th Inst. A Nomination Paper received from the Secretary of the Harbour Board was produced. It was in respect of the Candidature of Alderman James Sinnott. This was the only paper received.

Thereupon on the motion of Alderman Hughes, seconded by Councillor Kelly, it was Unanimously Resolved:- That Alderman James Sinnott be and is hereby elected a Harbour Commissioner for the unexpired term of Alderman Hughes's year of office as such

Howard Rowe Mayor

6th March 1911.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's office at noon.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- George Hadden, James Sinnott, Walter Walsh, Robert Hanton, Benjamin Hughes, James J. Stafford.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Patrick Clancy, Francis Carty, Nicholas Byrne, John O'Connor, John Murphy, Joseph Kelly, Paul J. Carroll, Nicholas Prendergast, Joseph Kingsberry, James Hore, Michael Browne.

The minutes of meeting of 22nd. February 1911 were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month amounting in the aggregate to £1077. 11. 1 were submitted to the meeting, and having been examined were approved, and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 237 to 262 inclusive.

Summary and Reconciliation of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of



February 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

S U M M A R Y .

Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	1169. 2. 8	118. 11. 8
Total sums received to close of last month.	478. 14. 7	- . -
TOTALS	1647. 18. 3	118. 11. 8
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . -	- . -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	830. 12. 7	246. 18. 6
TOTALS	830. 12. 7	246. 18. 6
Net balance due by Treasurer.(being difference of above Totals)	817. 5. 8	- . -
Net balance due To Treasurer.	- . -	128. 6. 10

R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per bank Books due by Treasurer.	1662. 7. 7	168. 11. 8
Outstanding Orders(including those issued at this meeting)	845. 1. 11	296. 18. 6
Net balance as above due by Treasurer.	817. 5. 8	- . -
Net balance as above due to Treasurer.	- . -	128. 6. 10

A memorial from the Residents of Windmills Hill and Westland was read containing request to the Council to provide a sewer from the end of the road at Westland to the nearest main Sewer, or as to permit of the drainage of waterclosets and the sewerage of the district being conveyed away.

The matter was referred to the Town Surveyor to report thereon.

The question of the proposed road from John Street to Airhill which was referred to a Committee of the whole Council on the 6th Ultimo, was taken into consideration by the reading of the following resolution viz:

"That this Committee refuses to recommend the purchase of ground for the proposed new road."

Alderman Walsh proposed that the recommendation be adopted. The motion was seconded by Councillor Kelly.

However Alderman Hadden proposed that the words "for the present" be added to the recommendation.

This amendment was seconded by Alderman Hughes, and on being put was carried, ten members being for and only eight against it.

The recommendation so amended was then put and carried.

Four tenders in respect of supplying metalling were opened and read. They were from martin Furlong, William Sullivan, Thomas Furlong, and James Wadding, and were accompanied by the samples of the stone proposed to be supplied by each of the intending Contractors. The full quantity required by the Council on this occasion was 1200 tons. The sample from James Wadding was of a much superior quality to the others, and was the only one suitable for repairing streets where traffic was heavy. The price demanded was 2/9 per ton, and the quantity he was prepared to supply was 600 tons.

On the motion of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Mcmahon it was resolved:-



That James Wadding's tender be accepted.

The other three samples were all of equal quality and were good enough for use on the on the less frequented streets of the town.

The prices asked were.

By Martin Furlong 2/3 per ton.

By William Sullivan 2/4 per ton.

By Thomas Furlong 2/4 per ton.

On the motion of Councillor Byrne seconded by Alderman Stafford it was

Resolved:- That Martin Furlong's tender at 2/3 per ton be accepted in respect of supplying the remaining 600 tons.

In response to advertisements inviting tenders for supplying four suits of outfit for members of the Fire Brigade, a tender from Joseph Dalton was opened. This was the only one received. He was prepared to supply 4 tunics, 4 pairs top boots, and 4 leather caps in consideration of being paid £15. 15. 0

On the motion of Councillor Clancy seconded by Councillor Carroll, the tender was accepted subject to the material for the tunics being approved by the Captain of the Fire Brigade.

A proposition made by Councillor Clancy and seconded by Councillor McMahon as to changing the time of holding Monthly meetings of the Council from the first Monday of each month at noon to 7. 30 p. m. on the same day, or otherwise to the first Wednesday at 7. 30 was considered.

The motion failed to be carried, as on a division 9 members were against and only 8 in favour of the motion.

In view of an imminent meeting of the Roads Board in Dublin, at which Delegates from Wexford were appointed to attend, the following resolution as proposed by Councillor Carty and seconded by Alderman Hadden was passed unanimously for submission to the Board

"That we the Wexford Corporation protest against the whole South Eastern portion of our County being left out of consideration by the Roads Board when passing their Trunk Road Scheme, particularly as the road from Enniscorthy to Rosshare Harbour via Wexford is so necessary to connect with cross-channel services. If this road is not included we ask our Representatives to have nothing to do with the Scheme, as it would do our Town a serious injury by diverting traffic away from the Capital Town of the County."

A Civil Bill issued at the suit of Mrs Johanna Byrne of Bullring Wexford against the Wexford Corporation and the Wexford gas Company jointly was produced. The Plaintiff, claimed payment of £5. being the cost of making good all damage done to the windows of her premises by an explosion of gas which occurred in the street by reason, as was alleged, of the defective manner in which the defendants, or either of them, constructed a sewer in Common Quay Street and laid a gas main.

In the course of a discussion on this matter the facts were elicited that in consequence of the recent construction of a main in the street it became necessary to take up



portion of a gasmain and relay it. The manhole was made by the Corporation and the gas main was dealt with by the Gas Company's men. The gas main was laid over the wall of the man hole without sufficient provision having been made for the main to yield in case of heavy pressure from traffic overhead. The consequence was the gas pipe became broken and the leakage of gas into the sewer occurred convenient of a ventilating lamp, and the leakage was attended by the explosion. Thereupon it was ordered:-

That this Council is prepared to negotiate with the Gas Company for a settlement of the case without prejudice and is satisfied to pay half the amount of Mrs Byrne's expenses in the matter, and that the gas Committee appointed on the 2nd. January last be requested to interview the Secretary of the Gas Consumers Company and submit this offer to him.

The Accounts of the Collector of Borough Rate and of Rate in lieu of County Cess were produced. They had been under examination by the Finance Committee. The Committee made the following recommendation.

That there be written off as irrecoverable items of Rate amounting to £23. 9. 9 in the case of the Borough Rate, and items amounting to £45. 8. 9 in the case of Rate in lieu of County Cess, and the balance of items outstanding, i. e. £2. 5. 7 and £3. 13. 4 respectively be carried forward as arrears.

The recommendation was adopted.

*Howard Rowe Mayor*

*Inc-29-11*

29th March 1911.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held this day, pursuant to the Mayor's requisition, at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock p. m.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh, James Sinnott, James J. Stafford, George Hadden, Robert Manton.

Councillors:- Nicholas Byrne, Paul J. Carroll, John Murphy, James McMahon, Patrick Clancy, James French, Richard Gibson, John O'Connor, Nicholas Prendergast, Joseph Kelly, Francis Carty, James Hore, Michael Browne.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Estimates of the expenditure necessary to carry on the Municipal Administration of the Borough in the ensuing financial year were presented to the meeting and considered. It was seen that after carrying to credit the different items of income accruing from sources other than rates, together with the Balances in hands of the Treasurer, there remained to be provided for by means of the Rates leviable on the District, the following sums:-



By a Poor Rate.	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	£ 1937. 11. 1
By a Borough Rate.	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	886. 0. 0
By a Rate in lieu of County Cess.	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	1475. 8. 0
By Water Rates.	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	1412. 13. 3

Attached to the Estimate of sums to be raised by a Poor Rate was a recommendation from the Finance Committee under date of 22nd. march Instant, as to the making of a Poor Rate at a rate of  $\frac{2}{3}$  in the Pound, and on the motion of Councillor Byrne seconded by Councillor Carroll it was

RESOLVED:- That the Poundage of the Poor Rate in respect of the coming financial year be fixed at  $\frac{2}{3}$  in the Pound.

With regard to the sum to be raised by a Borough Rate, it was resolved, on the motion of Alderman Hughes seconded by Councillor McMahon.

That the Poundage of this Rate be fixed at One Shilling.

As to the sum to be raised by means of a Rate in lieu of County Cess, -it was stated that fitting opportunity had arisen to widen the thoroughfare at Westgate. There was a chance of the Council succeeding in an effort to acquire the Landlord's and tenants' interests in the ruinous houses in that locality, and before adopting the Estimate it was advisable to include a sum sufficient to purchase these premises. otherwise the property could not be acquired for a further year. This suggestion begot another one as to the wisdom of purchasing some disused malshouses at the Folly with the object of widening the street opposite Mr. Wickham's residence.

Both suggestions commended themselves to the meeting, but it was considered premature as yet, to provide for such improvements in the present Estimate. It was recognized that a year would elapse before negotiations for the purchase of the buildings required were completed.

The Town Clerk was then instructed to open a correspondence with the various persons interested in the properties mentioned, and submit the result of his enquiries to a Committee consisting of The Mayor, and Aldermen Stafford, Hadden, Hanton, and Councillor Hore.

Alderman Hadden then proposed that the Estimate of expenses to be provided by means of a Rate in lieu of County Cess be adopted, and that the Poundage of this Rate be fixed at  $\frac{1}{7}$ . ~~was~~

The proposition was seconded by Councillor Carty.

Alderman Walsh proposed an amendment to this motion to the effect that the sum set down in the Estimate in respect of intended steamrolling at Spawell Road and Redmond Road be reduced by £100, so that the proposal to treat Redmond Road with a Steam Roller might not be carried into effect.

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Prendergast, but failed to be carried as only six members voted for and twelve against it.

The original motion was then put and carried.

Regarding the Estimate of Expenses to be raised by means of Water Rates, the following motion was adopted, as proposed by Councillor McMahon and seconded by Councillor Byrne.



That the Poundage of the Domestic Water Rate to be levied in the coming financial year be fixed at Elevenpence and of the Public Rate at Ninepence.

Howard Rowe Mayor  
Apr. 3-1911

3rd. April 1911.

A Statutable Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- George hadden, Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- Richard Gibson, Paul J. Carroll, James Hore, John O'Connor, Nicholas Byrne, Nicholas Prendergast, James McMahon, Patrick Clancy, Francis Carty.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £599. 4. 0 were submitted and having been examined were approved and an Advice note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of paying Orders numbered from 263 to 277 inclusive. Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of march 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day

#### S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY	LOAN .
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement	817. 5. 8	- . -
Total sums received to end of last month	815. 18. 0	1000. 0. 0
TOTAL	1633. 3. 8	1000. 0. 0
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . -	128. 6. 10
Payments ordered at this meeting.	236. 6. 1	362. 17. 11
TOTAL	236. 6. 1	491. 4. 9
Net balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	1396. 17. 7	508. 15. 3

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per bank Books due by Treasurer	1633. 3. 8	871. 13. 2
Outstanding orders including those issued at this meeting.	236. 6. 1	362. 17. 11
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	1396. 17. 7	508. 15. 3

on the minutes of last meeting being confirmed and signed, Councillor Prendergast proposed that the present meeting should be adjourned in consequence of this being a Fair Day in Wexford. The motion was seconded by Councillor McMahon, but it was defeated, nine members being against and only four in favour of it on a division being taken, and directly Councillors



Prendergast and McMahon withdrew from the meeting.

The question of determining the rents to be charged for 22 dwelling houses at Distillery Road, the erection of which had been lately completed, was considered. The Finance and Works Committee had recommended that these rents should be fixed at 3/2 per house per week. The houses were exactly of the same class and dimensions as eight houses in Carrigeen, the rents put upon which on 16th November last was 3/2 each per week.

The recommendation was adopted.

A communication was read from the Clerk of Athlone Town Commissioners on the subject of rating of Railways in Urban Districts. The Railway Companies throughout the Country contended that nearly the whole of the Railway Buildings were to be assessed as Railways, that was to say upon one-fourth of their valuation only, on the ground that being used mainly in connection with the business of a Railway, such buildings were to be deemed as "land used as a Railway". There did not appear to be the remotest justification for treating Railway Companies more favourably than ordinary Ratepayers in such a matter, and the Athlone Commissioners suggested that the various Urban Authorities should join together in fighting the case to the highest tribunal, or if advised that the Railway Companies' contention was correct under the existing state of the Law, all Urban Authorities should make a strenuous and unanimous effort to bring about an amendment of the Law.

In the course of a conversation on the question, it was pointed out that so far as Wexford Urban District was concerned, the attitude of the Railway Companies in respect of differential rating would cause a reduction of about £50 a year in the Rates assessable on their property. Attention was also called to the fact that the Dublin and South Eastern Company had succeeded in having the valuation of their premises in Wexford divided by the County Court Judge and had claimed a reduction of three-fourths rating on portion of the premises in Wexford. This claim had been submitted to Counsel who gave it as his opinion that the Corporation had no alternative but to yield to the Company's demand. Having regard to these latter facts the following motion was adopted on the motion of His Worship, The Mayor, seconded by Alderman Hadden, viz:-  
RESOLVED:- That this Council is willing to co-operate with the various Urban Councils in Ireland in an endeavour by parliamentary action to have the law amended relating to differential rating in the case of the property of Railway Companies.

Two tenders received in respect of painting the Town Hall were opened. They were seen to be from James Donnelly of Faythe, Wexford, and John Butler of High Street, Wexford. The former offered to do the work for £48. 5. 0, and the latter for £46. 10. 0. On referring the prices to the Town Surveyor he said he considered them reasonable. Thereupon on the motion of Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Carroll, it was  
RESOLVED:- That the tender of John Butler be accepted, subject to the work being done in entire accordance with the specification.

The Waterworks Committee reported on the Water Rate Account. Of the outstanding items of Rate, the sum of £34. 19. 8 was found to be irrecoverable, and the remainder, £4. 5. 6



to be carried forward as Collectible.

The report was adopted.

The following is a resolution which was adopted, and which was brought under the notice of the meeting by the reading of a letter from the Dublin Victuallers Association.

That this Council heartily approves of the action of Mr. Wm Field, M. P. in again introducing into the House of Commons a Bill for the compulsory marking of imported frozen or chilled meat into Ireland; that the Government are hereby urged to afford facilities for the passing of the measure, and that the Irish Members of parliament are requested to give the Bill their whole-hearted support. A complaint was made about the general inefficient service rendered by the Gas Company in the matter of the light afforded by the street lamps. The Gas Company were not, in the opinion of members, paying due attention to the lamps and as a result the light emitted from them was of very poor luminous power. However, as the Gas Company had undertaken to provide the Town Clerk's Office with a pressure gage in the near future, it was deemed advisable to refrain from making any representations to the Gas Company on the subject of the lighting for the present.

A communication was read from Her Excellency, The Countess of Aberdeen, intimating the intended holding of a Health and Industries Show at Ballsbridge, with which would be combined a Health Conference of the Women's Health Association of Ireland to be held on 25th and 26th May next. Her Excellency invited the Council to appoint a Delegate or Delegates to attend the Conference which was to be deemed a Central Conference within the meaning of the Order of the Local Government Board of 13th July 1894, that is to say that the expenses incurred in attending thereof by a Representative of a Sanitary Authority were allowed to be paid by the Council.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor Gibson, seconded by Councillor Carty it was RESOLVED:- That Alderman George Hadden be appointed to represent this Council at the proposed Conference.

*Howard Rowe* Mayor  
*April 19-1911*



19th April 1911.

A Special meeting of the Council was held this day (pursuant to the Mayor's Requisition) at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock p. m.

The members present were :-

Howard Rowe Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, George Hadden.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Nicholas Byrne, Patrick Clancy, James Hore, James Goodisson, Francis Carty, Joseph Kelly, Michael Browne, John O'Connor.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The making of Rates was proceeded with, whereupon the four following resolutions were unanimously adopted, and thereupon the different Rates referred to in the Resolutions were made and the Books containing them were duly sealed and signed.

Proposed by Councillor Kelly, Seconded by Councillor McMahon.

RESOLVED:- That an assessment of One Shilling and Eightpence in the Pound, viz., a Domestic Rate of Elevenpence, and a Public Rate of Ninepence, on the rateable value of property within the town of Wexford be laid on pursuant to the Local Government Board (Ireland) provisional Orders (Dalkey &c.) Confirmation Act, 1876, and Acts incorporated with and amending the same, as per Estimate duly considered and adopted on 29th March 1911.

Proposed by Councillor Carty, Seconded by Councillor Byrne.

RESOLVED:- That a Borough Rate of One Shilling in the Pound be made on the net assessable value of property within the Borough of Wexford to supply the deficiency in the Borough Fund, as shown in an Estimate of Expenses required to permit of the Municipal Administration of said Borough being carried out, as considered and adopted on 29th March 1911.

Proposed by Councillor Byrne, seconded by Councillor Goodisson.

RESOLVED:- That an assessment of One Shilling and Sevenpence in the Pound on the assessable value of property within the town of Wexford be laid on, pursuant to the Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Order (Wexford) Confirmation Act, 1873, and Acts incorporated with and amending the same, as per Estimate duly considered and adopted on 29th March 1911.

Proposed by Councillor O'Connor, seconded by Councillor Clancy.

RESOLVED:- That a Poor Rate of Two Shillings and Threepence in the Pound be made on the assessable value of property within the Urban District of Wexford, as per an Estimate of Expenses to be raised by a Poor Rate on said Urban District, considered and adopted on 29th March 1911.

A letter under date of 5th Instant from messrs Little & Nunn was read. They, as Agents of the Grogan Estate, communicated the fact that they were authorized by the LANDlords to say that the latter were willing to give a lease to the Corporation of a plot of ground in the Bullring for 200 years commencing 29th September next, in consideration of the landlords being paid a sum of £450, without any increase of



rent. The ground in question was at present in the possession of the Corporation who held under lease at a yearly rent of £50, and was the site of the present Butter Market. The term of the lease was for 99 years, 40 of which had expired, and in view of the proposed building of a Town hall and Municipal Offices in the Bullring, application had been made for an extension of the term of the lease. The matter was deliberated on. It was considered that the demand of £450 was much too high, and it was decided for His Worship, The mayor, to interview Messrs Little & Nunn and lay before them the following considerations, in addition to any others that might occur to him, with a view to easier terms being obtained.

(1) It was not absolutely necessary to build a new Town hall as the present Town Hall would suffice for some years to come.

(2) It was necessary to provide Municipal offices, but if the Corporation decided to build them over the market, it was open to them to build without obtaining a fresh lease for the reason that at the end of 59 years any public buildings on the ground would be worth little more than ground value, and moreover, before the lapse of 59 years it was probable that fixity of tenure in towns would be a principle recognized by law.

His Worship was also desired to enquire whether the landlords would be disposed to sell their interest in the ground, out-and-out to the Corporation, and if so, to submit any reasonable offer he thought well of for the purchase, or otherwise, to offer £200 in consideration of the Owners granting a fresh lease for a term of 300 years.

Howard Rowe Mayor  
May 8 - 1911

8th May 1911

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., (mayor) in the Chair.

Aldermen:- Walter Walsh, Robert Hanton, Benjamin Hughes.

Councillors:- Thomas O'Brien, Richard Gibson, Paul J. Carroll, Joseph Kelly, Francis Carty, Patrick Clancy, Nicholas Prendergast, James McMahon, John O'Connor, James Hore, Nicholas Byrne.

The minutes of proceedings of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £1261. 3. 9 were submitted and having been examined were approved, and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 278 to 302 inclusive.



Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of April 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

S U M M A R Y .

	ORDINARY	LOAN
Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	1396. 17. 7	508. 15. 3
Total sums received to close of last month	68. 2. 9	- . -
TOTALS	1465. 0. 4	508. 15. 3
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . -	- . -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	1201. 3. 9	60. 0. 0
TOTALS	1201. 3. 9	60. 0. 0
net balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	263. 16. 7	448. 15. 3

R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per bank Books due by Treasurer.	1467. 10. 4	508. 15. 3
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	1203. 13. 9	60. 0. 0
net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	263. 16. 7	448. 15. 3

The following motion was submitted by Councillor Prendergast, viz:-

That the hour of holding Meetings of the Council on the first Monday of each month be changed from noon on that day to half past seven o'clock P. M. on the same day on occasions when a Fair Day in Wexford happens to fall on the first Monday of the Month. He maintained that it was inconvenient to the Members of the Council to have to meet on days when a Fair was being held in the Town and when business engagements often prevented members from attending.

The motion was seconded by Councillor McMahon. was carried on a Poll being taken.

The Polling resulted as follows:-

For the motion. Councillors O'Brien, Gibson, Carroll, Kelly, Carty, Clancy, prendergast, mcMahon, O'Connor, Aldermen Walsh. 10

Against. Councillors Hore, Byrne, Aldermen Hanton, Hughes, The mayor. 5

A letter was read from the Local Government Board (No.49. M. 1911) transmitting a Paying Order for £104. 14. 3 being the share of the income of the Irish Housing Fund payable to Wexford Urban District Council in respect of houses erected at Grogan's Road, Carrigeen, and Distillery Road for the year ended 31st march last.

Having regard to the fact that the Council were entitled to an annual grant on foot of the dwellings in question, Councillor O'Connor gave notice of his intention to move at next Meeting that the resolutions fixing the rents of the houses should be rescinded, so that it might be open to him to propose that the rents be fixed at a sum of threepence per house per week less than at present charged.

The motion was accepted.

The Accounts of the Poor Rate Collector were produced. They had been under the examination of the Finance Committee who had gone seriatim over all the outstanding items of Rate as shown in a Schedule submitted by the Collector.



The Committee recommended that out of the total of the items uncollected, viz:- £60. 0. 10, there should be written off as irrecoverable a sum of £45. 12. 10 and the remainder, £20. 8. 0 carried forward as Collectible Arrears.

The recommendation was adopted.

The Poor Rate Collector applied for the usual recognition of his services in connection with making out a Schedule of Uncollected items of Rate in the form required by the local Government Board, and having ten copies of the Document prepared and posted at Specified places throughout the Urban District. The remuneration allowed him for the same work previously was £6.

Councillor Carroll proposed that £6. be paid to Mr. Godfrey in consideration of his having performed the services referred to, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Board.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Hanton and was adopted.

Arising out of this matter, it was asserted by members that the making out of this List in the form prescribed, and the publication of it in the manner required, was needless, and Councillors Prendergast and Kelly proposed and seconded respectively a motion to the effect that the Poor Rate Collector should abstain in future years from preparing it, but the motion was lost on a division being taken, six members being for and seven against it.

A memorial from seven of the occupiers of dwellings erected by the Council in Grogan's Road was read. The signatories required permission to put up railings at their own expense at the rear of the houses. They alleged that it would be an improvement to the property if these railings were provided.

The exact positions in which the railings were proposed to be put were not specified, and it was decided to refer the application to a Committee of the Council who were requested to visit the ground at the rear of the dwellings and grant the request, if thought well.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board dated 13th April 1911 No.55/m/11 intimating that they had appointed Mr. J. More O'Ferrall, Local Government Auditor, to audit the accounts of the Council for year ended 31st March 1911.

A letter was also read from the same Department dated 21st April 1911 No.18396, intimating that they would not hence forth require to be furnished with a statement of the sums paid by the Council to Sanitary officers for the purpose of recoupment out of the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account, but if the money available in the Account should be sufficient for the purpose, an advance in respect of such expenditure might be made to the Council for the period of twelve months ending 30th September each year.

It was Ordered:- That a concrete footpath be laid in Thomas Street from that street to Green Street, and another in the Broad of the Faythe, but the laying of these paths be not proceeded with until after the completion of footpaths which have been already ordered to be constructed.



6th June 1911.

A Statutable Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- James Sinnott, James J. Stafford, Robert Hanton, Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Patrick Clancy, Nicholas Byrne, Thomas O'Brien, Michael Browne, Francis Carty, Richard Gibson, Joseph Kelly, James Hore, John O'Connor, James Goodisson, Paul J. Carroll, Nicholas Prendergast.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Included amongst the Bills passed this day for payment was an account of John Browne's, being the final instalment due to him on foot of his Contract for erecting 22 dwellings at Distillery Road. It amounted to £460. 9. 10. In connection with the matter, attention was called to the state of the "Building Account" which showed that the balance to credit thereon was only £448. 15. 3 out of the Loan of £7,000 borrowed. It was therefore necessary, in order to discharge the liability to disburse £11. 14. 7 out of the Borough Fund for the present. It was also pointed out that there were further demands in connection with the houses to be still met. These would amount in round numbers to £100, for the discharge of which it would be necessary to obtain a supplemental Loan.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, and amounting in the aggregate to £1272. 16. 3 were then presented and having been examined were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered form 303 to 337 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended 31st May 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

	S U M M A R Y . .	ORDINARY	LOAN.
Balance due by Treasurer as per last statement.		£ 263. 16. 7	448. 15. 3
Total received to close of last month.		467. 19. 10	- . -
	TOTAL	731. 16. 5	448. 15. 3
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.		- . -	- . -
payments ordered at this meeting.		824. 1. 0	448. 15. 3
Net balance due to Treasurer.		92. 4. 7	- . -

	R E C O N C I L E M E N T .
Balance per bank Books due by Treasurer.	731. 16. 5 448. 15. 3
Outstanding Orders, including those issued at this meeting.	824. 1. 0 448. 15. 3
Net Balance as above due to Treasurer.	92. 4. 7 - . -

Pursuant to notice accepted at last meeting, from Councillor O'Connor that member proposed the following motion.



That all resolutions dealing with the rents of the dwellings provided for the working classes and situate at Grogan's Road, Carrigeen, and Distillery Road be rescinded.

The object which the proposer had in view in case this motion was adopted, was to submit for consideration a further proposition in virtue of which the rents of the houses in question would be reduced by threepence per week per house.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Goodisson.

A division was thereupon taken when it was found that only seven members were for and twelve against the motion which was declared lost.

Arising out of a discussion on the foregoing motion, it was decided to have a statement prepared for the consideration of the Finance Committee showing the receipts and expenditure in the last financial year in respect of all the houses provided under the Housing Acts in Wexford.

A letter from Messrs Little and Nunn was read on a subject which was under the consideration of the Council on the 19th April last, namely the terms on which a lease of ground in the Bullring could be obtained from the landlords thereof, The Honorable Mrs. Deane Morgan and Lord Muskerry. Messrs Little & Nunn said that as the Council were not disposed to accept a new lease on the conditions stated the landlords thought it best to let things remain as they were for the present.

Under the circumstances it was urged that the Council would be secure enough to build under the terms of the existing lease, as there was every likelihood that before the lapse of many years the principle of fixity of tenure in the case of tenants of town holdings would be established by law. There was nothing practical done however.

With regard to a proposal of the Council to treat the surface of Spawell Road and of Redmond Road with a Mechanical Steam Roller, a letter from Mr. Lyne, Secretary Wexford Gas Company, was read. He stated that in the interest of the Company, his Directors regretted that they were obliged to object to the intended work being gone on with, in so far as Spawell Road was concerned, and requested that the Order dealing with that road should be revoked.

It was pointed out that the Gas Company were probably in a position to prevent the work being carried out on the plea that damage to gas mains might follow on the using of the Steam Roller, and Councillor Carty gave notice that he would move the rescission of the resolution regarding steam rolling both of the roads in question.

Tenders were received in respect of work to be done as follows:-

From John Butler, Wexford, who offered to do painting work needed on the Caretaker's Lodge at Coolree Reservoir, and the Caretaker's Lodge at Crosstown Cemetery, and also on the Bathing Place in Wexford as per specification for a sum of £24. 5. 0.

This was the only tender received, and in response to advertisements inviting tenders, and on reference to the Town Surveyor's estimate of the cost of the



work, the cost according to him was £24. 10. 0

The tender was accordingly accepted.

From Walker, Beary & Co., Wexford, who quoted £26 as the price for which they were prepared to supply a dust cart.

This was the only tender received in this case, and the estimate of the cost of the cart was set down as £25. 10. 0 and the tender was accepted.

In respect of repairing two scavenging carts, the cost of which was estimated by the Town Surveyor to be £12, there was a tender received from Walker, Beary & Co., who offered to execute the repairs for £12.

It was the only tender received and was accepted.

The Hon. Secretaries of a Bazaar and Carnival to be held on 29th June and three following days in Wexford to raise funds to enable the Community of the Christian Brothers to discharge their indebtedness applied by letter for the use of the Market Building for the period mentioned. They undertook that no harm would befall any of the Corporation property or any inconvenience be caused to any one while the Bazaar was open.

The request was granted unanimously.

Allusion was made to the appointment by the Council, of Councillors Carty and Clancy to represent Wexford at a Conference of the Dublin Industrial Development Association to be held in Dublin on 14th and 15th Instant, and the propriety of the travelling expenses of the two Delegates being paid out of the Borough Fund was suggested. The suggestion commended itself to the meeting, but a point was raised as to the legality of making any charge on the Borough Fund for such a purpose. However, it was resolved on the motion of Councillor Kelly, seconded by Alderman Stafford, that the travelling expenses of the two Representatives at the forthcoming Conference be discharged out of the Borough Fund.

Alderman Hughes dissented from this motion being adopted, and asked that his dissent be put on record.

A circular from the Local Government Board dated 16th May 1911, No.12,734, was submitted. It contained copies of two Orders made by that Board, amending previous Regulations issued under the Motor Car Acts 1896 and 1903.

*Howard Rowe* Mayor  
July 5-1911



5th July 1911.

A Statutable Meeting of the Council (which had been adjourned by the mayor from 3rd. Instant by reason of the absence of a quorum) was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock P. M.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- James Sinnott, Benjamin Hughes, Robert Hanton, Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Patrick Clancy, Nicholas Byrne, Paul J. Carroll, James Hore, Joseph Kingsberry, James Goodisson, Richard Gibson, Joseph Kelly, Nicholas Prendergast, Francis Carty, Thomas O'Brien.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month amounting in the aggregate to £211. 10. 7 were submitted and having been examined and found correct were ordered to be discharged, and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 338 to 358 inclusive.

Summary and Reconciliation of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of June 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . -
Total sum received to close of last month.	1177. 0. 10
TOTAL	1177. 0. 10
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement	92. 4. 7
Payments ordered at this meeting.	211. 10. 7
TOTAL	303. 15. 2
Net Balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	873. 5. 8

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	1094. 12. 9
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	221. 7. 1
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	873. 5. 8

With reference to minutes of 6th Ultimo, it was announced that the Finance and Works Committee had had before them an account of the receipts and expenditure in the last financial year in respect of all the dwellings provided under the Housing Acts in Wexford. There was also considered an estimate of the probable expenses attendant on the dwellings for the coming financial year, and the Committee had come to the conclusion to make the following recommendation namely.

That the rents of 75 of the houses might, without much risk of loss to the Ratepayers, be reduced by twopence per house per week, the houses in question being, 26 in Rochestown Road and Carrigrohane, 12 in William Street, 30 in Carrigeon and Distillery Road, and 7 in Monument Place.



The matter was considered and thereupon Alderman hanton gave notice that he would move at next meeting of the Council the revocation of all resolutions dealing with the rents of the houses specified with a view to a further resolution being proposed adopting the Committee's recommendation.

The notice was accepted.

With regard to the proposal to treat the surface of Spawell Road and Redmond Road with a mechanical steam roller, it was pointed out that it was unnecessary to touch any previous proposition on the subject, and the meeting could proceed at once to make any ruling advisable.

Thereupon Councillor Carty proposed that having regard to the objection of the Gas Co. to the intended use by the Council of a mechanical roller on Spawell Road it is resolved that the surface of this thoroughfare be repaired with tar asphalt, while the Redmond Road, as to which there is no objection, be repaired with a roller.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Sinnott and adopted.

It was pointed out that the loan of £7,000 borrowed for the purpose of erecting 39 dwellings under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts fell short of the sum required for the purpose by about £100 and there was no Fund out of which the deficiency could be supplied within legitimate lines. The consequence was there was no alternative but to apply for a supplemental Loan in order to discharge the balance of liabilities due in connection with the Scheme.

Such being the case the following motion, as proposed by Alderman Sinnott and seconded by Councillor Byrne was adopted.

That application be made to the Local Government Board for sanction to the obtainment from the Commissioners of Public Works of a Loan of £100 more or less, to allow of the Scheme of the dwellings in question to be completed, inasmuch as the Loan of £7,000 sanctioned in connection with the Scheme has proved to be slightly inadequate.

It was ordered;) That an additional fire-proof Safe be obtained for holding in the Town Clerk's Office the three ancient silver Maces of the Town, as well as Corporation documents and books, which are constantly increasing in bulk.

It was also Ordered:- That a Tar Boiler be obtained by tender for use in connection with the projected repairing of Spawell Road in tar asphalt.

A communication from the County Inspector, R. I. Constabulary, was read intimating that Sergeant matthew Donaghy, Inspector of Food and Drugs for Wexford Urban District had been transferred from Wexford Station to a Station in the North of Ireland, and that Sergeant Patrick Scully would act as Inspector of Food and Drugs in future, if appointed to that Office.

It was Ordered:- That Sergeant Patrick Scully be hereby appointed as Inspector of Food and Drugs within the Urban District of Wexford.

*Howard Rowe*

*Aug. 2-1911*



2nd. August 1911.

A Special meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's office at half past seven o'clock P. M. for the purpose of electing a harbour Commissioner, as provided by the Wexford Harbour Act 1874, and Acts amending the same.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, James Sinnott, Walter Walsh, Robert Hanton.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Patrick Clancy, Joseph Doyle, Paul J. Carroll,  
James Hore, Nicholas Prendergast, Joseph Kelly, Francis Carty.

The Secretary of the Harbour Board notified that only one member of the Council namely Alderman James Sinnott, had been nominated as required previous to the meeting being held, and thereupon on the motion of Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor McMahon, it was

RESOLVED:- That Alderman James Sinnott be and is hereby elected a harbour Commissioner to represent the Corporation for one year from this day.

Alderman Sinnott returned thanks for his election.

*Howard Rowe*

*Aug. 2-1911*

8th August 1911.

A quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, James Sinnott, Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- Joseph Doyle, Joseph Kingsberry, Patrick Clancy, Francis Carty,  
Nicholas Byrne, James McMahon, Joseph Kelly, Paul J. Carroll,  
James Hore, Nicholas Prendergast.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed, whereupon Councillor Kelly made reference to the lamented death of the late Mrs Hadden, mother of Alderman George Hadden, and proposed that as a mark of respect to the memory of the lady that the meeting should stand adjourned to the 9th Instant.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Walsh.

In putting the motion the Mayor paid a graceful tribute to the memory of the deceased lady. He had the privilege of being a friend of hers in ~~his~~ lifetime and testified to her being possessed of many amiable qualities. She was noted for her kindness of heart, and was esteemed by everyone to whom she was known. The members present endorsed the sentiments of the Mayor, and standing in their places adopted the resolution.

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*Howard Rowe* 23 Aug 11



9th August 1911.

An adjourned quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock P. M.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Nicholas Byrne, Joseph Doyle, Patrick Clancy,  
Paul J. Carroll, Nicholas Prendergast, Joseph Kingsberry, Frank Carty,  
John O'Connor, Richard Gibson.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £731. 2. 7 were submitted and having been examined were approved, and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 359 to 373.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of July 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	873. 5. 8
Total sums received to close of last month.	516. 18. 10
TOTAL	1390. 4. 6
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement	- . - . -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	731. 2. 7
TOTAL	731. 2. 7
Net balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	659. 1. 11

#### RECONCILEMENT .

balance per bank Books due by Treasurer.	1404. 16. 5
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	745. 14. 6
Net balance as above due by Treasurer	659. 1. 11

Among the bills passed this day for payment was one of £45. 16. 11 being balance due to the Town Surveyor for services rendered by him in connection with a Scheme which was carried into effect by the Council under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts. The sum mentioned included an item of £9. 12. 6 which was the Surveyor's commission on the outlay incident to the laying of footpaths and water mains and the opening of sewers in connection with the houses. Alderman Walsh and Councillor Prendergast objected to the payment of this last named sum on the ground that if the houses had been provided by private enterprise no commission would be payable to the Surveyor in respect of footpaths, watermains, or sewers. It was pointed out however, that the Finance and Works Committee had considered this particular item and recommended it to be paid inasmuch as the sewers &c. required in this case were part of the Scheme formulated by the Council and approved by the Local Government Board.



With regard to minutes of proceedings of 5th July last, Councillor O'Connor, on behalf of Alderman Hanton, moved the revocation of all resolutions dealing with the rents of 75 of the dwellings provided by the Council, namely 26 situate in Roche's Road and Carrigeen, 12 in William Street, 22 in Distillery Road, 8 of the smaller-sized houses on the West side of Carrigeen and 7 in Monument Place.

The motion was seconded by Councillor McMahon and was passed unanimously.

Thereupon Councillor O'Connor proposed a motion to the effect that a reduction of twopence per house per week be made in the rents up to the present charged for the 75 houses referred to in the foregoing resolution.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Carroll and was passed.

A question was then raised as to the justice of making a like concession to the tenants of the 7 houses in Grogans Road and the 2 larger-sized houses in Carrigeen. These 9 were the only ones out of all the dwellings provided by the Council in which a reduction of rent had not been made.

This being so, Councillor Prendergast gave notice that he would move at next Statutory Meeting of the Council that the resolution whereby the rents of the 9 houses referred to were fixed should be rescinded with a view to a reduction of rent in these cases being granted.

The notice was accepted.

Owing to the exceptional drought of the present Season, it was suggested that advantage should be taken of the old-time disused water system of the town as an aid to the principal water system, and Councillor Clancy proposed that steps be taken to have the Reservoir in the lands at the rear of John Street cleaned out and the water mains connected therewith provided with taps for the use of the public. The motion was seconded by Councillor Carty and adopted.

Tenders received in respect of supplying materials and articles as hereunder mentioned, were submitted as follows:-

320 yards of 9 inch sewer pipes and 160 yards of 9 inch junctions.

The Wexford Timber Co. offered to supply these articles for £ 53. 0. 0

Matthew Harpur for 56. 0. 0

George Stafford for 49. 10. 0

Specimens of the pipes proposed to be supplied were furnished with the tender of Mr. Harpur and that of Mr. Stafford, but no specimen accompanied the tender of the Wexford Timber Company.

The two specimens furnished were examined by the Town Surveyor and some of the members present and it was found that the pipe submitted by Mr. Harpur was of a superior quality to the other.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor Byrne, seconded by Councillor Carroll, Mr. Harpur's tender was accepted.

70 tons of Cooper's Brinagh Cement.

The Wexford Timber Company offered to supply this material at 37/- per ton.

George Stafford offered to supply it at 36/- per ton.

Thereupon on the motion of Alderman Walsh seconded by Councillor Prendergast the



tender of Mr. George Stafford was accepted, but on the condition that the cement be delivered in small quantities as required during the year.

Two six inch sewer Ventilating Pillars 30 feet long, and One seven inch  
Sewer ventilating Pillar, 35 feet long.

George Stafford offered to supply the above articles for the sum of £27. 10. 0

Matthew Harpur offered to supply them for 28. 5. 0

Both of the intending Contractors specified in their tenders that they would supply the pillars according to specification, and as Mr. Stafford's tender was the lower, it was thereupon accepted on the motion of Councillor Byrne, seconded by Councillor McMahon.

Tar Boiler of 30 Gallon capacity.

Matthew Harpur offered to supply this utensil according to specification for £13. 10. 0 and George Stafford offered to supply it according to specification for £12. 10. 0 and on the motion of Councillor O'Connor seconded by Councillor McMahon, Mr. Stafford's tender was accepted.

600 tons of broken stones of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch diameter, and

200 tons of broken stones of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inch diameter.

Two quarrymen named Martin Furlong of Kerlogue, and William Sullivan of Trinity Street Wexford each tendered to supply some of the quantity required, but not all, but the latter furnished no specimen of the stone he intended to deliver, and his tender therefore could not be entertained. The other man furnished a sample which was deemed to be of the requisite hardness and was prepared to supply  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inch stones at 3/9 a ton and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch at 4/- per ton.

On the motion of Councillor Byrne, seconded by Councillor Carroll, the tender of Martin Furlong was accepted in respect of 300 tons of one size of stone, and an undefined quantity of the other size, and with a view to procuring the requisite quantity of 800 tons, it was decided to issue fresh advertisements calling for tenders in respect of supplies of more road metalling.

There was brought under notice a communication from Dublin in which it was pointed out that the Congress of the Royal Institute of Public Health which was to be held on 15th of the present month and following days, would be deemed under the Order of the Local Government Board of 30th July 1894 a Central Conference and it was open to the Council then to appoint one member and one official as Delegates to the Conference, and to defray the expenses of the Delegates attending, and it was

Ordered:- That His Worship, The Mayor, accompanied by the Town Surveyor, be requested to attend the Conference on behalf of the Council.

The Mayor took occasion to state that as there was a large number of dwellings in the town which could not be held to be in a sanitary condition owing to the want of efficient sanitary conveniences, and in some cases the absence of back yards, he considered it was incumbent on the Council to devote their attention to the task of improving the general sanitary condition of the town.

With a view to this question being taken up and something practical done towards



solving it, he handed in two notices for the consideration of a future meeting of the Council.

According to the terms of these he proposed to move that immediate steps should be taken towards the erection of fifty additional houses under the Housing Acts and a Provisional Order obtained to acquire compulsory possession of sites for them, and secondly that a complete main drainage system for the town should be provided, and the money required for the purpose raised under the Borrowing Powers of the Council.

The notices were received by the meeting, and a day fixed on which to consider them, namely, Wednesday, 23rd. Instant.

*Howard Rowe*

*aug 23-1911*

23rd. August 1911.

A Special meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock p. m. pursuant to the Mayor's requisition.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, James Sinnott, George Hadden, Robert Hanton,  
Walter Walsh.

Councillors:- James Hore, Patrick Clancy, Nicholas Byrne, Frank Carty,  
Paul J. Carroll, James Goodisson, Joseph Kingsberry, John O'Connor  
Nicholas Prendergast, Joseph Kelly, James McMahon.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Regarding the proceedings of the Council on the 8th Instant, which were adjourned as a tribute of respect to the late Mrs Hadden, the following is a copy letter received from Alderman Hadden and ordered to be inserted on the minutes.

Springfield, Wexford.

August 11th 1911.

Dear Mr. Browne,

I gratefully acknowledge your letter of the 10th instant, conveying a vote of condolence from the Corporation on the death of my dear mother, and informing me that they had so thoughtfully adjourned the meeting - which I knew was an important one - as a mark of respect to her memory. To every true man the name of Mother represents the most sacred of human relationships, and so I use no empty phrase when I say that words fail to express my appreciation of the sympathy of my brother members of the Corporation thus so kindly expressed. I can only say their action has touched me deeply, and ask you to convey to them my heartfelt thanks.

I also thank you gratefully for the very kind way in which you have associated yourself with this vote of condolence, and for your own personal kindness and sympathy.

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W. A. Browne Esq.

Yours faithfully, George Hadden.



In relation to the proceedings of the Council on the 9th Instant, on which occasion notices of motion were received from the Mayor regarding the advisability of the Council providing fifty additional dwellings under the Housing Acts and formulating and carrying to completion a Scheme of main drainage for the town, His Worship introduced the subject of increasing the housing accommodation for the working classes. He maintained that the number of healthful houses to be had by these classes was altogether inadequate,

The subject was given a lengthened and serious consideration with the result that the following motion, as proposed by the Mayor, and seconded by Councillor Clancy was adopted.

That this Council take immediate steps towards the erection of fifty houses under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, provided they can be built at a cost which will enable the Corporation to let them at a rent not exceeding 2/6 a week, and that if necessary a provisional Order be applied for to permit the Council to take ground by compulsion for the purpose.

It was decided to refer the subject of the foregoing resolution to a Committee of the Council with a view to seeing if it were possible to provide houses which could be let at 2/6 each per week without causing any loss to the ratepayers.

The mayor then submitted a motion committing the Council to a definite decision to provide and carry out a main drainage system for the town. In advocating the proposal he suggested that a sum of £4,000 should be raised by way of Loan for this purpose. This sum, he admitted, was not sufficient but it would be enough to permit of a modern system of sewers being opened in these parts of the town where the levels were such as to render the existing sewers inefficient, but after careful consideration of the question, the meeting came to the conclusion to adopt the following motion, as proposed by The mayor, and seconded by Alderman Sinnott.

That this Council shall refer to a Committee of the Corporation the question of extending the Main Drainage System of the Town.

Howard Rowl  
Sep 4-1911

4th September 1911.

A Statutable Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office.

The hour of meeting was 7. 30 p. m. on the occasion as provided by Sealed Order of the Local Government Board of 25th June 1911.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq. Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, James J. Stafford.

Councillors:- Francis Carty, James Goodisson, James McMahon, Nicholas Byrne.

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The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month amounting in the aggregate to £801. 14. 7 were submitted and having been examined were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 374 to 396 inclusive.

Summary and Reconciliation of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of August 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	£ 659. 1. 11
Total sums received to close of last month.	735. 5. 2
TOTAL	1394. 7. 1
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	-. -. -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	801. 14. 7
TOTAL	801. 14. 7
Net Balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	592. 12. 6

#### R E C O N C I L I E M E N T .

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	1448. 2. 1
Outstanding Orders.	855. 9. 7
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	592. 12. 6

Included in the Accounts passed this day for payment was a Bill of £5. 8. 6 from Patrick Foley being compensation demanded by him for loss of bedding and articles of wearing apparel destroyed by the Sanitary Sub-Officer. The claimant was a herd employed in treating cattle affected with Anthrax on lands near the Urban District. He resided in the town. He became ill and was removed to hospital. The Bill being out of the ordinary was recommended for payment by the Public Health Committee. pursuant to notice accepted from Councillor Prendergast on the 9th Ultimo, that Member moved the revocation of a resolution passed by the Council on the 16th November 1910, whereby the rents of seven houses erected by the Council at Grogan's Road were fixed at 4/10 per house per week, and of a resolution of 6th June 1910 by which the rents of two dwellings in Carrigeen were fixed at 5/- per house per week.

The motion was seconded by Councillor McMahon and was passed unanimously.

Thereupon Councillor Prendergast proposed that the rents charged at present for the nine dwellings in question be reduced by twopence per house per week.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Clancy and was passed unanimously also.

A communication from the Local Government Board was read under date of 8th August 1911, No.53,803. The Board in adverting to the minutes of Proceedings of the Council on 2nd. August 1910 required to be informed whether the Council intended to make the appointment of the Veterinary Inspector under the Dairies &c. Order a permanent one or for only another year.

Councillor McMahon proposed that the office of Veterinary Inspector to assist in administering the Dairies &c. Order 1908 in the Urban District of Wexford be hereby



made a permanent office.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Clancy, but on being put it was lost. Six members only were for and Seven against it.

Thereupon it was agreed to appoint a Veterinary Inspector for one year and to fill the Office at next Statutable Meeting.

*Howard Rowe* Oct-2-1911

2nd. October 1911.

A Statutable Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh, James J. Stafford.

Councillors:- James McMahon, Nicholas Prendergast, James Hore, Joseph Kingsberry, Thomas O'Brien, John O'Connor, Frank Carty, Patrick Clancy, Joseph Doyle, James Goodisson.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month amounting in the aggregate to £148. 7. 11 were submitted and having been examined were approved, and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 397 to 406 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of September 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	£ 592. 12. 6
Total sum received to close of last month.	813. 4. 11
TOTAL	1405. 17. 5
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	148. 7. 11
TOTAL	148. 7. 11
Net Balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	£ 1257. 9. 6

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	£ 1431. 6. 5
Outstanding Orders, including those issued at this meeting.	173. 16. 11
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	1257. 9. 6

The question of renewing the appointment of the Veterinary INSPECTOR under the

Dairies &c. Order, 1908 for a further year, as resolved on, came to at last meeting,



was considered with the result that on the motion of Alderman Hughes, seconded by Councillor O'Brien, the following motion was adopted, Councillor Prendergast dissenting.

That Mr. Francis Staples, V. S., be re-appointed as Veterinary Inspector to assist in administering the Dairies and Cowsheds Order 1908 within the Urban Area of Wexford for one year from this date.

Five tenders received in respect of doing the printing work of the Corporation for one year were opened. Four of them proved to be from the following Firms, namely, W. Hanrahan, Wexford, The People Printing Works, Wexford, J. Newman & Son, Wexford, and John English & Co. Wexford, but the fifth did not disclose the name of the person or Firm by whom the tender was sent in and was not therefore considered. With regard to the tender from J. Newman & Son, a question was raised as to the desirability of entertaining it, having regard to the fact that this Firm had refused last year to do certain printing work in respect of which their tender had been accepted.

Councillor Kingsberry thereupon proposed that the tender of Messrs J. Newman & Son be not entertained.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Clancy and was adopted.

With regard to the tender from the Firm of John English & Co., a question was also raised as to the justice of entertaining it. It was alleged that this Firm did not pay their employes in accordance with what was recognized to be the standard rate of wages adopted in the District, and it was pointed out that one of the conditions under which tenders were to be accepted was that intending Contractors should be prepared to submit to the requirements of Resolutions of Council of 3rd. July 1899 and of 2nd. March 1903, whereby the principle of "fair wages" was to be recognized. Of the truth of the allegation there was no evidence adduced, but nevertheless, it was resolved on the motion of Councillor O'Brien, seconded by Councillor O'Connor to not entertain the tender of Messrs John English & Co.

By the foregoing proceedings the number of tenders deemed to be acceptable was reduced to two, namely that of The People Printing Works, and of W. Hanrahan.

It is needful here to state that another condition on which tenders were to be sent in was that the cheapest item in each tender was to be accepted.

The meeting then went over the items contained in each of the two tenders seriatim and marked such items as proved to be the cheaper "accepted".

In respect of the intended laying of a water main in William Street, as to which piece of work tenders were invited by advertisement there was but one tender received. This was opened and found to be from John Browne, Builder, Henrietta Street, Wexford. The would-be Contractor offered to carry into execution the terms of the specification of the work in consideration of being paid a sum of £27. The estimate prepared by the Town Surveyor of the cost of the work was thereupon referred to and was found to amount to £24. and on the motion of Councillor O'Brien, seconded by Councillor Centx the tender was accepted.



Allusion was made to the circumstance of the lock-out which occurred some weeks back in the three local agricultural implement factories, and as a result of which there was considerable distress among the section of the workers of the town who had been deprived of their employment. It was suggested that in all cases where the persons affected by the lock-out were occupiers of dwellings provided by the Corporation the meeting should decide to forego the rents during the continuance of the dispute between employer and employed. The legality of adopting this suggestion was called into question, and after due deliberation the following motion was adopted:-

Proposed by Councillor Clancy, seconded by Councillor McMahon.

That the Collector of Corporate Property be instructed not to press any of the Corporation tenants in the possession of small dwellings, and formerly employes in the Foundries.

Regarding the present lamentable lock-out, whereby hundreds of families of the workmen recently employed in the three Firms of Ironworkers in the town were bereft of their means of livelihood, an appeal was made to the meeting by some members to make an endeavour of some sort to bring about a reconciliation between workmen and employers. All present fell in with the suggestion at once, and the result was that the entire members of the Corporation were appointed a Conciliation Committee to take any steps they thought wise, with a view to composing the dispute, if possible, and that the first meeting of the Conciliation Committee be called for this evening at 7. 30. P. M., the Town Clerk volunteering to act as Hon. Secretary.

*Howard Rowe Mayor*  
*Nov 6 - 1911*

6th November 1911.

A Statutable Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at noon.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Walter Walsh.

Councillors;- Nicholas Byrne, Patrick Clancy, James McMahon, Paul J. Carroll, Joseph Kingsberry, James Goodisson, Thomas O'Brien, Joseph Kelly, Richard Gibson, James Hore, John O'Connor.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £1422. 9. 9 were submitted to the meeting, and having ben examined were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 407 to 447 inclusive.



Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of October 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

# S U M M A R Y .

Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	1257. 9. 6
Total sums received to close of last month.	593. 12. 4
TOTAL	1851. 1. 10
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	1422. 9. 9
TOTAL	1422. 9. 9
Net Balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	428. 12. 1

# R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	1852. 5. 10
Outstanding Orders	1423. 13. 9
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	428. 12. 1

Included in the Accounts passed this day for payment was an item of 13/- awarded to Mrs Johanna Doyle of Common Quay Street. The water supply to Mrs. Doyle's premises having stopped she had the ground in front of her house opened and the service pipe examined at a cost of 13/-. Mrs Doyle's plumber found that the "plug" of the water main which was the property of the Corporation, had become choked and the Corporation Turncock was witness to this fact.

The following is a copy of a letter read from the Under Secretary, Dublin Castle, in reply to a resolution of a Committee of the Corporation passed on the 25th October 1911. The Committee requested His Excellency, The Lord Lieutenant, to withdraw from the town the Extra Police Force which had been stationed there consequent on the public excitement attending the "lock-out" that had taken place in three of the local Implement Factories on the 26th August last.

"With reference to your letter of the 26th Ultimo, I am directed by the Lords Justices to acquaint you, for the information of the Municipal Council of Wexford, that, in the opinion of the responsible Police Authorities, the Extra Police Force now doing duty in Wexford cannot be reduced."

Attention was called to the unprecedented arrears of rent which had accrued due on working class dwellings. Since the "lock-out" had occurred the arrears had increased from £19 odd, which was the normal amount outstanding on foot of these rents, to £52 odd due up to the present. The increase in the arrears was wholly owing to the fact that 26 of the men affected by the "lock-out" were resident in the working class dwellings and had not been pressed for rent pursuant to instructions of the Corporation. A discussion arose on the subject. The meeting not only showed disinclination to take action, but adopted the following resolution as proposed by Councillor Clancy and seconded by Councillor O'Brien. That the question of arrears of rents on any of the houses in the occupation of workmen put out of employment by the lock-out should again be brought before this Council for three months.



Applications received from occupiers of two of the newly erected working class dwellings at Distillery Road were read claiming compensation for damage done to furniture. One of the applicants, Mary Howlin, claimed £2. 5. 0, and the other, Annie Davis, 11/-. It appeared that the ceilings in one room of each of the houses occupied by the claimants fell down in a mass and broke and damaged furniture to the value of the sums demanded. According to the Town Surveyor's report he had found that the key of the ceilings had become, more or less, broken, and caused the plaster to give way. He had seen the broken furniture. He had also seen the builder of the houses who was satisfied to put up fresh ceilings at his own expense, although the term of his Contract had expired for many months. The Town Surveyor had no idea of the exact value of the furniture, but he was led to believe that one of the claims, that for £2. 5. 0 was too high, and that the claim for 11/- was about fair.

With regard to the claim of Mrs Davis for 11/- it was ordered that it be paid in full out of the Borough Fund, but in the other case it was decided on the motion of Councillor Kingsberry, seconded by Councillor McMahon, to pay £1. 10. 0 as compensation for the damage done.

Tenders having been invited at the instance of the Finance and Works Committee in respect of supplying a Drain Clearing Apparatus, it was seen that only one tender had been received in response to the invitation. This was from Mr. M. Harpur of Main Street, and on being opened showed that Mr. Harpur was prepared to supply the brush in conformity with the specification of the apparatus for a sum of £9. 7. 6 if of English manufacture, and for £9. 12. 6 if required of Irish make.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor Hore, seconded by Councillor O'Connor it was Resolved:- That the offer in respect of an Irish-made Apparatus at the price of £9. 12. 6 be accepted, having regard to the principle by which a preference is given to articles of Irish manufacture where price and quality admit.

An application from the Wexford Lecture Association for additional seating accommodation to be provided in the Town hall was read and was referred to the Town Surveyor to report thereon, and particulars were requested to be furnished of all furniture supplied to the Town hall within the last ten years.

*Howard Rowe Mayor*  
Dec. 4-1911



4th December 1911.

A Statutable Meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock P. M.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, Robert Hanton, George Hadden.

Councillors:- Patrick Clancy, Paul J. Carroll, Nicholas Byrne, Frank Carty, James McMahon, James Goodisson, Nicholas Prendergast, Michael Browne, Joseph Doyle, Joseph Kingsberry, John O'Connor, Richard Gibson.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £779. 7. 2 were laid before the meeting and having been examined were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of paying Orders numbered from 448 to 473 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of November 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	428.	12.	1
Total sums received to close of last month.	662.	11.	2
TOTAL	1091.	3.	3
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	-.	-.	-
Payments ordered at this meeting.	779.	7.	2
TOTAL	779.	7.	2
Net Balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals)	311.	16.	1

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per Bank Books due by Treasurer.	1098.	1.	3
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at present meeting)	786.	5.	2
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer.	311.	16.	1

Included in the Accounts passed this day for payment was an item of £1. payable to Mrs Esther O'Neill of 13, Carrigeen Street. Mrs O'Neill claimed the sum mentioned as compensation for damage done to articles of furniture, her property, in consequence of the ceiling of the house which she occupied having fallen in a mass, the house in question being one of the buildings newly provided by the Corporation for the accommodation of the working classes. The claim was made to the Finance and Works Committee who had satisfied themselves that the furniture had been broken and recommended the compensation to be paid.

Mr James Sinnott by letter dated 10th November 1911 tendered his resignation as Alderman for St. Iberius Ward. He stated he had taken this step as a protest against the action of the Finance and Works Committee in connection with the matter of the pollution of the water of the Polly Spout. The Town Surveyor and himself



had been appointed to make the best terms possible with Mr. Murphy for altering the course of a channel from the latter's malhouscs. They had agreed with Mr. Murphy that he should supply the pipes and the Corporation have the work of laying them done at public expense, but the Finance and Works Committee repudiated the agreement, so placing him (Mr. Sinnott) in an invidious position, and one of the Members, Alderman Walsh, imputed the charge of backsliding in the matter.

The question was deliberated upon, with the result that the following resolution, as proposed by Alderman Hughes and seconded by Councillor Carroll was passed unanimously.

RESOLVED:- That Mr. James Sinnott be, and is hereby earnestly requested to reconsider his decision to resign the office of Alderman for St. Iberius Ward which he has filled for the last seven years with credit to himself and benefit to the inhabitants of Wexford.

With regard to minutes of proceedings of 2nd. October last, on which occasion a tender from the Firm of John English & Co. in respect of printing work to be done for the Council was rejected on the ground that this Firm did not pay their employes according to the standard rate of wages recognized in the District, a deputation, consisting of seven of the employes of the Firm in question waited on the meeting, and by request, were permitted to make a statement. They said that some of them were members of the Typographical Association, and others were non-members, but on the question of the Firm paying a fair rate of wages, there was a misapprehension. They assured the meeting that the wages received by them was according to the standard rate prevalent for compositors in the town.

The meeting took no steps in the way of reviewing the action of the Council on 2nd. October last in connection with the rejected tender, but promised the members of the Deputation that the information supplied by them would be remembered on all future occasions when tenders in respect of printing would be under consideration.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction by letter dated 21st. November 1911, No. G. 4,400, communicated the fact that an Officer of the Department obtained on 28th October last at Wexford Butter Market, four samples of butter for analysis. The samples were duly submitted to the Public Analyst who certified that they proved to be pure.

The Local Government Board, per their letter of 29th November 1911, No. 50,571, drew attention to an accompanying memorandum embodying a resolution passed by the House of Commons on 10th March 1909 on the subject of fair wages clauses in Government Contracts. The Board was of opinion that Local Authorities should introduce into the contracts made by them, clauses on the lines of those inserted in Government Contracts, especially in cases where the expenditure of public money, granted by a Department of State, was involved.

The various clauses of the memorandum above-mentioned, having been read over and studied, they commended themselves to the meeting, and it was decided to include them, with modifications necessary to render them suitable to the requirements of Wexford, in all future contracts made by Wexford Urban District Council.



The same Department, per letter of the 16th November last (No.45,616) referred to a proposal of the Council at their meeting of 23rd. August 1911, to carry out a Scheme of dwellings for the housing of the Working Classes and requested to be informed how the matter of the acquisition of lands required as sites now stood. This occasioned the opening of a discussion about the apparent injustice of the Government granting Loans for the provision of houses for the use of agricultural labourers on terms far more generous than for the provision of workmen's houses in towns. There seemed to be ample room for making a good case in behalf of Urban Areas on this point. There was an instance in Roscrea where a Rural District Council had erected a range of houses inside, or immediately adjoining, the Urban Area, and were in a position to let them at  $1\frac{1}{5}$  each per week, whereas it was not possible to let houses for less than 3/- each per week without intruding on the pockets of the ratepayers in Wexford.

Alderman Hadden thereupon proposed and Alderman Hanton seconded the following motion which was adopted.

That a Committee consisting of The mayor, Alderman Hadden and Hanton, and Councillors Carty and McMahon, be appointed to conduct inquiries and obtain information as to the best means of putting Workmen in towns on a footing of equality with Rural Labourers in the matter of Government Loans for housing purposes. Tenders received in respect of supplying quarried stones to be broken for road metalling in the Corporation stone depot were received. They were from Moses Power of Kerlogue, who offered to supply 200 tons of stones according to a sample sent in by him at the rate of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per ton.

William Sullivan of Wexford who offered to supply 500 tons to be delivered at Carrigeen depot at  $2\frac{1}{6}$  per ton, and 500 tons at Redmond Road depot at  $2\frac{1}{7}$  per ton. The stones were to be of the one quality, but the difference in price was due to the fact that the Carrigeen depot was about a mile nearer the quarries than the Redmond Road depot.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor Clancy, seconded by Councillor Goodisson, the tender of William Sullivan in respect of  $2\frac{1}{6}$  per ton and in respect of  $2\frac{1}{7}$  per ton was accepted.

About Moses Power's tender, it was suggested that in consequence of the difficulty experienced in and around Wexford of obtaining sufficient quantities of road repairing material, that his tender should also be accepted, even although the price demanded by him was the highest asked. The question of accepting this tender was discussed, and the result was that the following motion was adopted.

Proposed by Councillor Browne, seconded by Alderman Hughes.

That the tender of Moses Power in respect of supplying 200 tons of stones be accepted on condition that he will agree to deliver half that quantity on or before 1st January next.

Tenders received in respect of supplying earthenware pipes to be used in connection with the work of constructing a sewer in St. Patrick's Ward, were opened. They were from Matthew Harpur of Main Street, Wexford, and George Stafford



of John Street, Wexford. The former offered to supply the quantity required according to the sample sent in at a price per yard which would amount to £18. 6. 0, and the latter was satisfied to supply the quantity required according to the sample sent in by him at a bulk sum of £14. 9. 6.

Both of the samples having been examined by the Town Surveyor and found to be of good enough quality for the purpose needed, the following motion was adopted.

Proposed by Councillor Byrne, seconded by Councillor Carroll.

That the lower tender, being that of Mr. George Stafford, be and is hereby accepted.

The stonebreakers employed by the Corporation under the superintendence of the Town Surveyor made an application in writing for an increase of the rate of the remuneration paid to them for "powdering" stones. At present they were paid at the rate of 1/4 per ton for "powdering" stones to such a size as would allow any individual "powdered" stone to pass through a 2 inch ring, but for the special purposes of the Town Surveyor he required them now to be broken to such a size as would allow any stone to pass through a ring of 1½ inch diameter. The applicants maintained no stonebreaker was capable of "powdering" more than one ton of the smaller-sized stones in a day. They asked that in respect of breaking the smaller-sized stones their rate of remuneration should be increased to 2/- per ton.

On the recommendation of the Town Surveyor the request was granted.

The Report of the Local Government Auditor, Mr. J. More O'Ferrall, of his examination of the Municipal Accounts of Wexford for the year ended 31st march 1911 was submitted to the meeting, a copy of it having been received from the Local Government Board per their letter No.62,875:1911. An Abstract of the Accounts accompanied the communication. The Report did not evoke any comment as it contained no criticism of the financial operations of the Council for the year in question.

*Howard Rowe Mayor*

*Jan. 3-1912*

3rd. January 1912.

A Special meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town Clerk's Office at half past seven o'clock P. M.

The members present were;-

Howard Rowe Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- Benjamin Hughes, Walter Walsh, Robert Hanton.

Councillors:- Nicholas Byrne, Francis Carty, Richard Gibson, John Murphy,  
James Ffrench, Nicholas Prendergast, James Hore, Michael Browne,  
Patrick Clancy, James Goodisson, John O'Connor, Joseph Kelly,

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The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.



Liabilities which had accrued due up to the end of last month, amounting in the aggregate to £215. 17. 5 were laid before the meeting and having been examined were approved and an Advice Note was signed to enable the Treasurer to pay them on presentation to him of Paying Orders numbered from 474 to 486 inclusive.

Summary and Reconcilement of Treasurer's Account for the month ended the last day of December 1911, including the payments made at the meeting held on this day.

#### S U M M A R Y .

Balance due by Treasurer as per last Statement.	£ 311. 16. 1
Total sum received to close of last month.	498. 9. 7
TOTAL	810. 5. 8
Balance due to Treasurer as per last Statement.	- . -
Payments ordered at this meeting.	215. 17. 5
TOTAL	215. 17. 5
Net Balance due by Treasurer (being difference of above Totals.)	594. 8. 3

#### R E C O N C I L E M E N T .

Balance per bank Books due by Treasurer -	810. 5. 8
Outstanding Orders (including those issued at this meeting)	215. 17. 5
Net balance as above due by Treasurer.	594. 8. 3

With regard to minutes of proceedings of the Council on 4th Ultimo, a letter was read from Alderman Sinnott. He stated that in deference to the wishes of the members of the Corporation, and at the request of several influential ratepayers, he begged to withdraw his notice of resignation of the Office of Alderman for St. Iberius Ward.

Pleasure was expressed at this action on the part of Alderman Sinnott.

The Wexford Harbour Commissioners, per letter from their Secretary, intimated that they had issued instructions to the Gas Company to discontinue the lighting of the public lamp immediately outside the Fishery Landing and also lamp in Selskar Street at the corner of Ram Street. They claimed also that Half the cost of maintaining and lighting such of the lamps along the Main Street as were opposite or at the end of streets leading to the Quays should be borne by the Council.

This was a matter which had been under the consideration of the Finance and Works Committee on 27th Ultimo, with the result that that Committee made the following Recommendation Viz:-

That the Corporation agree to pay half the cost of all lamps at the corners of streets along the Main Street as referred to above, subject to the condition that all lamps existing in the streets leading to the Quays be not interfered with. Thereupon reference was made to the Wexford Harbour Act which showed that the Harbour Commissioners were made responsible for maintaining lights after dark on the quays and the avenues leading thereto, but then it rested with the Harbour Commissioners to say what lighting was sufficient lighting. In the case of the lamps in question which threw light equally over the main street and the approaches to the Quays, there was nothing to prevent the harbour Commissioners having these lamps taken



# NOTICE OF RESULT of ELECTION

BOROUGH OF WEXFORD.

## ELECTION of COUNCILLORS

For the above Borough in the Year 1912.

THE UNDERSIGNED, being the Returning Officer at the Election of Councillors for the said Borough, do hereby give notice that the Candidates at the Election, whose Names are entered in Column 6 of the Table hereunder, opposite to the Number entered in Column 5, have been declared duly elected Councillors, respectively, for the Wards opposite to the Names of which in Column 1 the Names of such Candidates are entered.

### COUNCILLORS.

WARDS.	NAMES OF CANDIDATES.		PLACES OF ABODE.	Number of Votes Recorded	NAMES OF CANDIDATES ELECTED.
	SURNAMES.	OTHER NAMES			
1	2	3	4	5	6
Berius	Bergin	Myles	Mary Street	38	
Berius	Byrne	Nicholas	North Main Street	231	NICHOLAS BYRNE
Berius	Byrne	Thomas	Cornmarket	104	
Berius	O'Connor	John	Allen Street	136	JOHN O'CONNOR
Berius	Reid	David D.	Cornmarket	95	
Mary's	Kehoe	Thomas	Bride Street	112	
Mary's	Kelly	Joseph	South Main Street	339	JOSEPH KELLY
Mary's	O'Brien	Thomas	Bride Street	240	THOMAS O'BRIEN
elskar	Browne	Michael	Commercial Quay	145	MICHAEL BROWNE
elskar	Kehoe	John	101 Main Street	134	
elskar	Martin	Michael	Trinity Street	45	
elskar	McMahon	James	Bride Street	135	JAMES McMAHON

Dated this 16th day of January, 1912.

**WILLIAM A. BROWNE,**

RETURNING OFFICER.



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down if in their opinion they were not necessary.

Thereupon on the motion of Councillor French, seconded by Councillor Prendergast, the recommendation of the Finance and Works Committee was adopted.

Complaints were made by members about the inattention which the Gas Company had been giving to the public lighting of the town. It was stated that a lamp had been taken down in Mary's Lane which had been erected on a lately demolished Malthouse and had not been re-erected, also that proper attention had not been given to the lighting of lamp at head of Mary's Street and lamp at the Gate of the Fever Hospital. It was also reported that lamp at corner of King Street had been extinguished at 5. 25 o'clock on Christmas Morning by the Gas Company's lamplighter.

Ordered:- That the Gas Company be written to and requested to require their employees to pay due attention to the lighting arrangements of the streets in future.

Mr. Laurence McCarthy of Charlotte Street, by letter complained of the continuous filthy condition of portion of Trimmer's Lane. The laneway seemed to him to be a depository for heaps of filth.

This matter was referred to the Finance and Works Committee.

Attention was called to the disused ventilating lamp situate in the Bullring. The Gas Company had refused to continue the lighting of this lamp, owing, as they alleged, to its being the cause of an explosion in an adjacent main sewer with which the lamp was connected, and for which it served as a ventilator. Since this light had been extinguished, the street after dark was lighted in a very inefficient way, and it was necessary that a lamp of some kind should be provided in the place.

Thereupon it was ordered:- That the gas Company be requested to convert the ventilating lamp in the Bullring into an ordinary gas lamp and keep it lighted as an ordinary street lamp.

*Howard Rowe*

*Jan 23-1912*

23rd. January 1912.

A Statutable meeting of the Council was held this day at the Town hall at noon.

The members present were:-

Howard Rowe Esq., mayor (in the chair)

Aldermen:- James Sinnott, Robert hanton, Wlatr Walsh, George Hadden, Benjamin Hughes.

Councillors:- John O'Connor, Nicholas Byrne, Joseph Kelly, Thomas O'Brien, James McMahon, Michael Browne, Paul J. Carroll, James Goodisson, John Murphy, Richard Gibson, Francis Carty, Nicholas Prendergast, patrick Clancy, Joseph Kingsberry.

The minutes of meeting of 3rd. January 1912 were read and signed.

Pursuant to Section 411 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, the business of electing a Mayor was proceeded with, whereupon, on the motion of Alderman Sinnott,



seconded by Alderman Hanton, the following motion was submitted, viz:

That Howard Rowe Esq., our present mayor, be, and is hereby, elected Mayor for the year commencing this day, and until his Successor be appointed and shall have accepted Office.

Before the question was put Councillor Prndergast protested against the act of electing a Mayor being gone on with on the grounds that what he beleived were the rights of the mayor of Wexford had been ignored by the Government in the matter of drafting an extra Force of Police into Wexford and keeping them there since August last, without the opinions of the Mayor having been consulted. He had no personal objection to the present worthy occupant of the Civic Chair being elected. Thereupon several Councillors spoke in favour of the motion, paying a high tribute of praise to His Worship, The mayor for the manner in which he had discharged the onerous duties which fell to his share for the last year, which was an exceptionally disturbed period in the history of Wexford owing to the labour troubles which had sprung up in the town, and unfortunately yet remained unsettled.

Thereupon the motion was put and it was passed with acclamation, there being only the one dissentient voice.

The Mayor on signing his Declaration of Acceptance of Office returned thanks for his re-election. He said he had no particular desire to fill the Office of Mayor nor would he have accepted it, were it not for the influence brought to bear on him by the members of the Council. He took occasion, inter alia, to express a sincere hope that the cloud which was hanging over the town would have passed away and peace and prosperity be restored to it before long.

It was resolved that the three quarterly Meetings of the Council to be held previous to 15th January 1913, be fixed to be held on Monday, 6th May 1912, at noon, Wednesday, 7th August 1912 at half past seven o'clock p. m., and Monday, 4th November 1912 at half past seven o'clock p. m.

The appointment of Committees was then proceeded with, and it was

RESOLVED:- That the Finance and Works, Waterworks, and Public Health Committees be composed of the entire Council for the coming year.

It was further determined:- That the Technical Instruction Committee for the Borough be formed of the following seven members of the Corporation, His Worship, The Mayor; Aldermen Walsh, Hadden, and Hughes, and Councillors Hore, Carty, and Byrne, in addition to the Protestant Rector, Venerable Archdeacon Iatham, The Catholic Administrator, Rev. Thomas Hore, The Superior of the Christian Brothers Wexford, and Messrs Joseph S. Thompson, Richard Walsh, and Patrick Hanrahan.

On the motion of Councillor Carroll, the following Order was passed unanimously That we, the Wexford Corporation in public meeting assembled, do hereby condemn in the strongest manner the sale of immoral newspapers in the streets on Sundays.

*Howard Rowe* Mayor