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Wednesday 28th June 1905

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, also to co-opt a member of the Council in place of Mr Yannon, who is dis-qualified.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Chairman Presiding
John S. Hearn J.P.
John Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
John and Sullivan

The minutes of previous meeting were signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and Patrick Dunphy and the following Paying order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 26 M. J. Finn Petty Cash £25 .. 12 .. 6

A proposal was received from James Shea Millbanks for heap of manure on Waterford road at 6/=, but the Council did not consider it belonged to them and declined the offer.

County Council offices.
Courthouse, Wexford,
23rd June 1905.

Sir,

Quarterly Instalment County Counal Demand

I beg to inform you that under the Public Bodies Order 1904, the first quarterly instalment due by your Urban Council, to the County Council should have been lodged to the credit of the latter "on or before the 1st instant". Kindly have same lodged at once.

Yours obediently,
W. H. Pigott.
County Secretary,
Per N. J. F.

M. J. Finn Esq.
Town Clerk,
NewRoss.

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County Council offices,
Courthouse, Wexford.
26th June 1905.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that the following resolution was adopted at the meeting of my Council, held on 24th Inst. :—

"That we request the New Ross Urban District Council, to lodge as soon as convenient, the first quarterly instalment of the demand, which, according to the Public Bodies Order, should have been lodged before the first of June.

Yours Obediently,
N. J. Grizelle.
for County Secretary.

Ordered

That the Secretary of the County Council be informed the Quarterly demand will be paid at next Finance meeting of the Council.

The Gas Company wrote stating that they intend opening the road in Mary St and High Hill for the purpose of renewing supply pipe.

No Order made

An application received from James Connolly, for permission to erect a scaffolding outside the premises of Owen Larkin and his undertenants in Conduit Lane, was granted.

Town Tenants

A circular letter was received from the Secretary, Town Tenants Association, stating that the Second Annual Convention of the Association will be held on the 24th August at 11 o'clock in the Mansion House Dublin, and asking to have delegates appointed to attend same.

A resolution was also enclosed for adoption urging on members of the Committee on Law, Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure who are in favour of Town Tenants Reform to be in their places on the 26th Inst when the Bill comes back for Third Reading to insist on the reinstatement of the clause making the Bill retrospective.

No Order made

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Courthouse, Wexford,
June 21st 1905

Dear Sir,

Expenses of Election of County Councillor

As provided by section 6 (4) of the Application of Enactments order, 1898, I enclose election expenses account for your Urban District.

The vouchers in connection with the account can be seen at the courthouse, Wexford, during ordinary office hours, and any person by directions of your Council can inspect and take copies of same.

Should your Council object to any of the items they should, under sub-section 6 of section 6 of the above mentioned order apply, within one month to the County Court for its taxation.

Yours faithfully,
N. J. Grizelle.
Returning officer.

The bill of Expenses amounted to £15..17..9

Ordered

That the Returning officer be informed this Council do not desire to have the bill for Election expenses of Urban District taxed, nor do they wish to take exception to any of the items.

Notice Boards on Henry St Yards

The Clerk stated that Miss Alicia Doyle desire him to ascertain from the Council if they will permit her to put up Notice boards again on the wall of their yard in Henry St.

Ordered

That Miss Doyle be informed the Council will permit her to put up two boards, each not to exceed six feet in breadth same to be fixed under the direction and in accordance with the instruction of the Town Surveyor

Wm. Cummins's rent of unknown Property

The Clerk also reported that Mr Williams, Mr Cummin's agent, called to the office and asked for a reply to Mr Cummin's letter respecting a refund of portion of rent paid by him for property which he contends is not his.

Ordered That Mr Williams be informed the Council are endeavouring

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to ascertain where the property is situate.

Street Obstruction

In reference to requiring traders to refrain from depositing boxes &c on the streets it was decided to direct the Street Inspector to call on them and state that the Council are anxious to have the obstruction removed and ascertain if all of them are willing to carry out the wishes of the Council, and report to next meeting, before any decisive steps are taken in the matter.

Collectors to proceed with Collection of rates

It was also ordered that the Collectors be directed to proceed at once with the collection of the rates, and have same collected promptly as the Council require money badly.

The Clerk stated that Mr Leacy had got an order at last meeting to have two locks put on the houses of two of the Council's tenants, but he has not done so yet.

It was now ordered that if he does not do so at once the order be cancelled and the work given to Mr Cullen.

Co-option of Peter Murphy

The meeting next proceeded to co-opt a member in the room of Mr Patrick Gannon who was disqualified

Proposed by Mr Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr John S. Hearn

"That Mr Peter Murphy South St be co-opted a member of the Council."

Passed Unanimously

The Town Surveyor reported that the new trap ordered for Cooper's Lane has been set and the paving made good.

The paving at Neville St pump, and some defective paving of the channels, have been made good.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 12th July 1905

P Dunphy 14/7/05

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Monday July 3rd. 1905 Monthly meeting day.

No attendance of members.

The meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 12th. July 1905

Wednesday 12th. July 1905.

A fortnightly and an adjourned monthly meeting of the Council to be held this day at 7.30 Oclock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts connected therewith, also to transact the Financial business of the Council, this being the stated Finance meeting.

Present, Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
James J. Ogorman
and
Michael Freaney

A Quorum not having assembled the meeting was adjourned to Friday 14th. July 1905

Wednesday 12th. July 1905

A Quarterly meeting of the Council to be held this day at 4. oclock P.M. to transact business, and consider the quarterly report, and recommendations of the Town Surveyor, and applications for new works, if any

Present, Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
James J. Ogorman
and
Michael Freaney

A Quorum not having assembled the meeting was adjourned to Friday 14th. July 1905.

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Friday 14th July 1905

An adjourned Quarterly meeting of the Council was held this day at 7 oclock P.M. to transact business, and consider the quarterly report, and recommendations of the Town Surveyor, and applications for new works, if any.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
James J. Glynman
and
Michael Freaney

The minutes of last Quarterly meeting were read and signed

Town Surveyors Quarterly Report

The Streets and roads of the District were in fairly good condition. the cleaning of the sides and water tables of the outlying roads have been attended to, also the collecting and removal of loose stones.

A good deal of the defective paving of the water tables in the principal streets was taken up and re-laid.

There is a good quantity of limestones delivered and broken in the depots and a large quantity of stones quarried for additional filling for the Irishtown.

Your Obedient Servant,
Thomas Byrne.

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That the quarterly report of the Town Surveyor be adopted.

Passed Unanimously

The Town Surveyor suggested that a water channel be constructed on the Quay from the corner of Quay St to the corner of Charles St, but the consideration of it was adjourned until that officer could consult with the County Surveyor and ascertain if he would approve of its construction, and recommend that half the expense be borne by the County Council.

The meeting adjourned

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Friday 14th July 1905

an adjourned fortnightly and monthly meeting of the Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to transact the Financial business of the Council which was adjourned from the 12th Inst.

Present Messrs Patrick Dunphy Presiding
Michael Freaney
John Murphy
David Murphy
and
James J. Norman
James G. Dooley

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and Michael Freaney and the following Paying orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 27	Treasurer bo Council Wexford	£ 315	0	10
" 28	N. Harvey & Co Waterford	3	13	2
" 29	M. J. Flinn ¼ salary as E. S. O.	4	13	9
" 30	M. J. Flinn Petty Cash	23	12	6
" 31	Michael Hunt Dunganstown		19	10
" 32	P. A. Jeffares	2	3	6
" 33	Governors John Ivory School	4	3	2
" 34	John J. Browne Commission	9	7	1
" 35	Bolfer & Lyttin		16	8
" 36	Thomas Byrne	5	11	8

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

Post office, New Ross.
10th July 1905.

The Postal Authorities wish to get permission from the Urban District Council for the erection of a lamp letter box on the lamp opposite the old Post office an early reply will oblige.

K. Plummer.
P. M.

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Ordered

That Miss Plummer be informed the Council have no objection to the erection of a letter box in the lamp referred to, but it might be well to consult the Gas Co also on the matter.

A proposal was received from Mrs Carr Priory St for the supply of three loadloads of St Mullins gravel at 30/= each, and on the motion of Mr Greaney seconded by Mr John Murphy it was accepted subject to the quantity specified in the advertisement (14 tons) being contained in each.

Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met this day and recommend payment of undermentioned accounts (see list at commencement of minutes).

We beg to draw attention to the collection of Rates. The Collectors should make good lodgments within the next week

That Mrs Roche's a/c be referred back to her for further particulars as Surveyor cannot certify the whole account.

Signed

John S. Hearn
James J. O'Gorman

July 11th 1905

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Greaney

"That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made"

Passed Unanimously

A discussion took place respecting the refusal of the D.W.&W.Rd. Railway Co to cause the mail trains to be stopped at Palace and on the proposal of the Chairman seconded by Mr John Murphy, the following resolution was passed Unanimously Viz:- "That the D.W.&W.Rd. Railway Co be again asked to cause the mail trains to be stopped at Palace".

A proposal was received from John O'Neill Cross Lane for the tenancy of one of the Council's houses in William St at the weekly rent of 1/9, and offered John Hayden as his surety. The Clerk stated that since leaving

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the proposal. Neill called to the office and offered Michael Hendrick in addition. He had also lodged the four weeks rent as required by resolution of the Council.

Ordered

That John O'Neill be accepted as tenant on entering into a Bond, with the two Sureties named, for the regular payment of his rent, it being understood that the amount lodged should not prevent the regular payment of his rent every week.

The Clerk drew attention to the necessity of making some order respecting the repairing of Mrs Galavin's house no estimate having been received from P. Leacy in accordance with the suggestion of the Surveyor made at meeting of 14th June, but that officer having now undertaken to get Leacy to send in one by next meeting

The following report of the Street Inspector was briefly considered but there was no order made upon it Viz:- that Thomas Byrne's men took two buckets from the Council's stores, the first one they allowed cement to remain in it until it set, and therefore destroyed the bucket, On yesterday he discovered that they had taken a new one which he had for the purpose of disinfecting, and only he happened to make the discovery so soon it would have been ruined the same as the other, if Mr Byrne is allowed to take things from the stores when he please he certainly will not hold himself responsible for what is in the stores, and he must ask the Council to appoint someone to take charge of the stores. He hope the Council will give this matter due consideration as he is in a very awkward position at present.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 26th July 1905

John S Hearn

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Wednesday 26th July 1905

A meeting of the New Ross Urban bounal was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Presiding
John Murphy
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
John Hand
David Murphy
and
Patrick Dunphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Joseph Roche and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 37 M. J. Flinn Petty Cash £0 21 .. 0 .. 0

A Paying order for £15 .. 16 .. 5 was received from the Chief Secretary being amount of Estate (formerly Probate) Duty payable to bouncil & it was ordered to be lodged.

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

No 111442

General Post office Dublin.
14th July 1905

Sir.

With reference to your letter of the 5th May relative to the footpath in front of the New Ross brown Post office, I am directed by the Postmaster General to inform you that the Board of Public Works under whose control the Post office was erected state that the bontractor for the building, Mr Andrew Cullen, Builder, New Ross, who removed the old flags, is willing to settle the matter with the Urban District bouncil on application being made to him.

As regards the substitution of concrete for flags, I am to explain that the Board state that the concrete is of superior quality, properly kerbed, and that no expenditure on it for maintenance is likely to be necessary for many years, certainly not as much as would have been necessary with the old flagging. In the circumstances the bouncil will not perhaps object to

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maintain the pathway in common with the other footpaths in the town.

I am Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

W. P. Quirke.

for Secretary.

Ordered

That the Secretary of the General Post office be informed that the Council cannot alter the terms, as conveyed to him in the letter of 27th March, upon which they are prepared to consent to the substitution of a concrete for a flagged footway.

General Survey and Valuation of Ireland,

Office, 6 Ely Place, Dublin,

17th July 1905.

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioner of Valuation to inform you that the Annual Revision of the Valuation of the Urban District of New Ross is about to be made, and I am therefore to request that, if you have any Supplemental Lists of Tenements requiring revision in that District, you will forward them to this office not later than the 31st Inst, in order that they may receive due attention.

After the date named above no cases can be received for the present Revision except under exceptional circumstances.

I am Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Alf Herbett.

Chief Clerk.

The Clerk stated that he had informed the Commissioner of Valuation that he had not received any supplemental Lists

Dungarvan,

July 19th 1905.

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly ask the Council to supply 4 planks 15 feet long

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for a stage to load boats at Dungarvan Quarry. It would be very convenient to all parties if a stage was erected there.

Yours truly
Michael Hunt.

No Order made, the meeting being of opinion that Hunt was bound to deliver the stones on the Quay at Dungarvan at his own expense.

A proposal was received from Johanna Grizelle for the tenancy of house on Bullaun, occupied by Patrick Roche, which she understood is about to be vacant, but as the Council had not yet got possession of it, or received notice from the tenant, there was no order made.

A proposal was received from James Bolger Tinnislathy, of 7/6 for heap of road scrapings at Breywell and it was ordered to be accepted.

An application received from Mr James Connolly, for permission to erect a scaffolding outside Messrs M Hearn & Sons Grocery premises was granted.

Town Hall, Wexford
July 14th 1905

Dear Sir,

The Bull Ring Monument is to be unveiled on Sunday, 6th August next, and the Committee of the Wexford Boro' '98 Association, now having completed their portion of the work, invite the subscribers, the representative bodies of the country, and the patriotic public generally to join in the National work of unveiling a fitting memorial of men, the recollection of whose deeds have reminded us how we should love and honour Ireland.

We invite your help and co-operation in making the Demonstration one of National importance, and ask your assistance in organising the attendance of Council.

We will be glad to hear from you, so that we can arrange for the position of your delegation in the procession.

Yours faithfully
Thomas Godfrey } Hon. Secs.
Simon Mc. Guire }

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Ordered

That the Secretaries be informed as many members of the Council as possible will attend.

D. W. & W. Railway Co,
Westland Row Station,
Dublin 20th July 1905.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 15th Inst, transmitting copy of a Resolution by your Council again asking the Company to stop the Mail Trains at Palace East station has been considered by my Directors and I am desired to inform you that the decision arrived at upon your former similar application must be adhered to.

Yours faithfully,
M. H. Keogh.
Secretary.

A discussion took place on this letter, during which Mr P. Murphy referred to the action of the Co in refusing to stop the Mail trains at Palace, and also in issuing Market tickets at reduced fares from New Ross, and stations North of it, to Waterford and gave notice that he would draw attention to this at next meeting of the Council, and it was ordered that the members be summoned to consider this matter.

The Clerk drew attention to the undertaking of the Surveyor that he would get P. Leacy to give a proposal for the repairs of Mrs Galavan's house in accordance with his speaification, and Estimate, but the latter had not done so, and it was now ordered that he get it from some other tradesman if Leacy does not give it before next meeting.

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that the trap opposite P. N. O'Gorman's Roberton, is set the wrong way, and should be taken up and re-set, several complaints have been made to him about the public Weigh-bridge, Persons have sometimes to wait for two hours in order to get their goods

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weighed, and have to hunt the town for the weigh master.

The sewer at North side of Hairlyate is choked, the water did considerable damage to the surface of the street.

As directed by the Council he called on the several shopkeepers who were in the habit of placing Machinery etc, on the streets, and with one exception found them willing to discontinue this practice in future.

On this week he found that there was some property of the Urban Council in an old shed in Marsh Lane yard, of which he had no account, consisting of:— 22 planks, 8 Mud shovels, 7 old gratings, 2 old metal pumps, 5 old ½ cwt weights, 2 old windows, and some short pieces of timber.

Ordered

That the Town Surveyor report to next meeting respecting the trap in Rosbercon, stated to be wrongly set.

That Miss Maher, the tenant of the weigh bridge be informed that if she is not prepared to cause a person to be in attendance, at all reasonable times, so that any one requiring the weigh bridge may use it without unnecessary delay, they will have to take the necessary steps to obtain possession of it from her. They also require that the Tare of each load be ascertained, on every occasion, by actual weighing.

The Town Surveyor reported that the men and horses were engaged putting out and breaking stones and shingle on South side of the Irishtown street, from the bounds beyond the Good Shepherd Convent down towards the Bosheen. Some cleaning was done on the Greywell road and some blinding put out on the hill of Rosbercon when the surface was loosened by the flood water.

No Order made

Ordered

That the property of the Council, at present in the old shed in Marsh Lane, be removed to the Fish House.

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A discussion took place respecting the prevention of street obstruction by traders and others who deposit Machinery. Boxes &c on the streets, and footpaths, and it was

Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

"That no machinery, boxes, or other articles, be permitted to be deposited on the streets, or footpaths of the town, and to remain thereon so as to cause an obstruction, after the first of August, and that the street Inspector report all cases of each obstruction in future with a view to having legal proceedings taken".

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That Notice of this be published.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 9th August 1905

T. B. Kearn

Monday 7th August 1905

Monthly meeting day

No attendance of members

The meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 9th August 1905.

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Wednesday 9th August 1905

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider the action of the D.W.W.d. Railway Co in refusing to stop the Mail trains at Palace, and in issuing Market tickets at reduced Fares from New Ross, and stations North of it, to Waterford, and take such action thereon as may be deemed advisable.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Chairman Presiding
John S. Hearn J.P
David Murphy
Peter Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
Joseph Roche
and
John Murphy

The Minutes of previous meeting were signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and Joseph Roche and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:—

			£		
No 38	New Ross Gas Co	£	22	16	1
" 39	same		72	11	0
" 40	John M. Walsh Wexford		1	5	0
" 41	Alex Knox McEntire Dublin		3	15	0
" 42	Messrs Helys Ltd Dublin		3	0	8
" 43	Hugh R. Hamilton New Ross		5	18	6
" 44	Andrew Cullen		22	12	10
" 45	Borough Treasurer Kilkenny			10	9
" 46	Matthew Hutchinson New Ross		3	5	7
" 47	John Kough New Ross		15	7	0
" 48	Moran Bros New Ross		2	4	8
" 49	same		1	19	6
" 50	James Power & Co New Ross		1	18	9
" 51	Thomas Martin			15	0
" 52	John J. Browne New Ross		8	3	3
" 53	Patrick Redmond New Ross		4	6	8

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No 54	Patrick Redmond	£4 .. 6 .. 8
.. 55	Michael Hunt Dunganstown	19 .. 10
.. 56	Patrick Leacy NewRoss	6 .. 8 .. 0
.. 57	Messrs Graves & Co NewRoss	10 .. 4 .. 6
.. 58	Thomas Byrne NewRoss	6 .. 16 .. 8
.. 59	M. J. Flinn Petty Cash	21 .. 13 .. 0
.. 60	John Tobin	12 .. 10 .. 0
.. 61	Longe & Taggart Dublin	12 .. 6

A Cheque for £50 was received from Mr Thomas N. Jones being renewal fine on lease of property in Priory St, also Paying orders from County Council for £33 .. 12 .. 2 and £4 .. 13 .. 9 and they were ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

The following correspondence was read :—

Offices,
NewRoss, 9th August 1905.

Urban Council to Jones

Dear Sir

We now enclose this Lease and counterpart and a memorial of same for execution by the Council. The premises have been insured against fire for £500 in the joint names to Mr Jones and the Council and we enclose the Policy for inspection. We have been paid the £50 fine mentioned in the lease, and we send you cheque in favour of the Council for that amount. Mr Jones has signed the lease and counterpart and it only remains for the Council to complete the matter.

A resolution should be passed at your meeting this evening authorizing the presiding chairman and two members of the Council then present to execute the lease, counterpart and memorial by affixing the Corporate Seal to each document and signing each document on behalf of the majority of the members present, and authorizing you to countersign same, and the documents should be sealed and signed accordingly. This signing and sealing should take place in presence of two witnesses not members of the Council who should sign their names addresses and descriptions where the word "witnesses" is pencilled. The map in the fold of the Deed should be sealed and signed and witnessed in the same way.

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When the documents are completed please return them to us to be stamped and registered. Also please return the insurance policy, so that we may hand it over to Mr Jones.

This Policy will we think have to be amended by including specifically the house at the rere of Miss Crowley's occupied by Catherine Bulleton, but this need not delay the completion of the lease.

Yours very truly,
Bolger & Gethin.

The lease, Counterpart, and memorial were received.

2 Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Peter Murphy

That the lease and counterpart of Premises in Priory St from the Council to Mr Thomas Nicholson Jones be signed by the Chairman and two members of the Council and be sealed and countersigned by the Clerk, and that the map on the Deed be likewise signed and sealed, as well as, the Memorial.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the Lease, Counterpart, and Memorial were duly signed and sealed.

Bullawn,
New Ross, 8-8-1905

Dear Sir,

About two years ago I notified you about a small bit of a shute to the back of my house, and a few slates for the eve of same also two room doors, and have never heard anything about it since, and as the season is now advancing I hope you will see your way to have same done at once, as its a great annoyance to have my house flooded every time it rains.

Yours faithfully,
Michael Curran.

Ordered

That the Town Surveyor prepare a specification and estimate of the cost of carrying out the necessary repairs against next meeting of the Council.

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New Ross Gas Co,
New Ross 5th August 1905.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 29th July last, I beg to refer you to my letter of 13th December 1901; but to meet you we will supply and lay the piping free, if you will open and fill in the ground.

Yours faithfully,
David Hunt.
Secretary.

Ordered

That the ground in Bewley St be opened and re-covered by the Council, to enable the Gas Co to lay gas supply pipe, and that the Town Surveyor be empowered to employ two men to carry out this work under his supervision.

Applications were received from Mrs Johanna Grizelle and John Keilly of Rookery for the tenancy of house lately occupied by Patrick Roche, and as there seemed to be no difference in choice it was agreed to Ballot for the tenant, after Mrs Grizelle had been proposed by Mr John Murphy but not seconded, Keilly's name was drawn, and on the proposal of Mr David Murphy seconded by Mr Peter Murphy he was accepted tenant.

The Clerk reported that Mr John Grace had not attended a meeting of the Council for over six months and was therefore dis-qualified.

Proposed by John Murphy and
Seconded by John S Hearn J.P.

That this meeting declares a vacancy exists on the Council owing to the dis-qualification of Mr John Grace, and that due Notice of this be published.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to co-opt a Councillor in his place.

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Report of Collector

New Ross,
7th August 1905.

Sirs/

I beg leave to report that the following items are required for the Weekly Tenant houses Viz':-

Mrs Norris Holly Ho Lane, ketch to latch of front door. Mrs Morrissey Holly House Lane, Repairs to kitchen floor, and range, and one pane of glass broken in the front of house. P. Kehoe of Irishtown, slates required on the back of house as the rain is coming through the roof, also complains of there being no closet. Mrs Quigley William St, require a small door to the fire-place of oven. Mrs Johnson, want a latch on the front door. John O'Neill Wm. St needs one pane of glass, broken in the front of the house.

Richard Wickham of William St require some slates on the roof in order to prevent the rain from coming through.

I was also informed that the lads are able to get into any of the new houses unoccupied owing to the want of not having bolts on the doors of the ashpit. I would suggest that there be fastenings put on all the doors of the new houses in William St.

Yours truly,
John J. Browne.
Collector.

No Order made

Report of Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met this day at 7 o'clock P.M. and beg to recommend for payment the following (see list at commencement of minutes).

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Joseph Roche

That report of Finance Committee be adopted and payments recommended be made.

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk reported that the Contract for public lighting is always entered into during the present month, A discussion took place respecting the alteration of the dates

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for Summer lighting, as the dates upon which the term begins at present is considered somewhat unsuitable, the 15th September being too late for commencement, and 15th April too early for extinguishing all the winter lamps.

It was agreed, on the motion of Mr David Murphy, seconded by Mr Roche, that the winter term be from 1st September to 1st May and the Summer lighting from 1st May to 1st September. It was also decided to have the lamps lighted, on full moon nights, from usual time until the time the moon rises.

Ordered

That advertisments be issued inviting proposals for the public lighting of the town in accordance with the foregoing arrangement, same to be considered at next meeting.

That Messrs Greaney and John Murphy be appointed a committee to report as to any alterations in position of lamps, or reduction in number of same they may consider advisable.

The clerk submitted his report (Form 62) showing the amount of Poor Rate collected during the month of July, also the balance outstanding, and the following Order was made thereon Viz:- "That the collector be directed to proceed as expeditiously as possible with the collection".

The clerk was granted a fortnights leave of absence, John Brennan to discharge the duties of the office in his absence.

Mr Peter Murphy referred at length to the action of the D. W & W. Railway Co in refusing to stop the mail trains at Palace and also in issuing Market tickets to Waterford from New Ross and stations north of it; and after some discussion it was decided to have a petition drafted and signed by the traders and Merchants of New Ross asking the Directors to cause the mail trains to be stopped at Palace and also to dis-continue issuing market tickets to Waterford. It was also decided that a deputation wait on the Directors with the Petition and endeavour to obtain those concessions from them.

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The Street Inspector reported on the daily cleansing of the streets of the town, and also that there was some old iron in the Fish House which it would be well to dispose of to make room, and it was ordered that advertisments be issued inviting proposals for it.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 23rd. August 1905

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Wednesday 23rd. August 1905

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts connected therewith, also to co-opt a Councillor in the place of Mr Grace, who has ceased to be one.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Chairman Presiding
David Murphy
John Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
Michael Freaney
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
and
John Hand

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Hand and Patrick Dunphy and the following Paying order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 62 M. J. Flinn Petty Cash £18 .. 13 .. 0

Estate office.
NewRoss.

In pursuance of the provisions of the Scheme settled by the High Court of Chancery for the regulation of the Charity called the Trinity Hospital NewRoss I hereby give you Notice that Colonel Charles George Tottenham as representing the Heirs of Gregory, and James Edward Galavan Esquire the Master being the Governing Body of the said Charity will meet on Wednesday the sixth day of September next, enquiring for the purpose of nominating one fit and proper person to fill up a vacancy in the said Hospital.

Dated this 23rd. day of August 1905.

Hugh R. Hamilton
Treasurer and Sec to said Hospital.

Ordered

That the person whose application is the longest received be recommended to the Governors of Trinity Hospital for admission to the Hospital.

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Ballyhack,
Arthurstown.

Dear Mr Flinn/

I enclose you resolution passed at a meeting of the 98 Memorial Committee on Saturday 11th Inst, will you kindly bring it before the meeting of your Council and let me know when it will be considered as you will see by the resolution that a deputation will await upon the Urban Council when the resolution will be considered.

Yours truly,
John Cummins.

98 Memorial Committee

at a meeting of the above Committee held at the Tholsel, NewRoss on Saturday the 11th Inst the following resolution proposed by Mr John Clooney D. C. P. L. G. Seconded by Mr Thomas Doyle Carrigbyrne, passed Unanimously. Resolved that we the 98 Memorial Committee do again apply to the Urban Council NewRoss to allow us to erect the Monument in memory of the men who fought, bled and died in the memorable and immortal struggle for liberty in 1798 where they foundation was laid by the Very Revd Fr Thos Meehan P.P. Ballindaggin, opposite the Tholsel, just beside the Daubeny Fountain and that the Chairman, Messrs J. Clooney, Pat Brien and Pat Bailey attend the meeting of the Urban Council when the above resolution will be considered by that body.

Ordered

That the application contained in this letter be considered at an adjourned meeting of the Council to be held on 6th September and that Mr Cummins be notified to this effect.

County Council Offices,
Courthouse, Wexford,
2nd August, 1905.

Sir/"

I beg to inform you that the following Resolution was adopted at the Meeting of my Council yesterday.

"That NewRoss Urban Council be informed that the Kilkenny County

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Council have decided to pay half the expense of altering the bye-law regulating the traffic over New Ross Bridge, the other half of the expense to be payable by this Council in accordance with resolution already adopted."

Yours obediently,
W. H. Pigott.
Co Secretary.

No Order made

A circular letter was received from the National Foundry of Ireland enclosing Price List of castings, and soliciting an order for same when required.

No Order made

A proposal, received from the Gas Co. for the public lighting of the town was adjourned to next meeting.

New Ross Gas Co Ltd.,
22nd. August 1905.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 12th Inst. I am directed to say that the cost of piping and fitting pipe to proposed lamp in Maiden Lane would be £3..10..0 and the cost of same for proposed lamp in Michael St £2..12..6

The above prices do not include the labour for opening and closing road for pipe. In each case this would cost £1..5..0 extra.

Yours faithfully,
David Hunt.
Secretary.

Ordered

That the Gas Co be informed the Council will open and re-fill the ground to enable the Company to lay the pipe, same as they agreed to in the case of Bewley St.

Proposals were received from Messrs Edward Maher and C. J. Hill for the old iron and lead in Fish House, the former offered 20/- for Iron and 8/- for lead, and the latter 22/6 for Iron and 8/6 for lead and the proposal of Messrs C. J. Hill was accepted the Council to pay the cost of having same weighed.

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A Bill was received from Mr Hogan amounting to £1-4-0 for watering of streets on Sunday, and other work, and its consideration was adjourned to next meeting

A proposal was received from Michael Allen for the tenancy of one of the Council's houses at William St and he offered Thomas Fitzgerald and James P. Kennedy as Sureties for the payment of his rent. He also lodged the four weeks rent, and, on the proposition of Mr D. Murphy seconded by Mr Hand he was accepted as tenant.

In reference to the order made at a former meeting, directing the Street Inspector to take proceedings against any person found depositing Shop Sweepings, or rubbish, on the streets after 8.30 a.m. the Clerk reported, in writing, that it would be necessary, in order to give effect to this, that he should have a general order authorising him to instruct the Council's Solicitor to appear in such cases without waiting to get a special order at a meeting, accordingly it was

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by the Chairman

"That the Clerk be directed to instruct the Council's Solicitor to prosecute, in all cases, persons depositing shop sweepings &c on the streets after 8.30 A.M. on same being reported to him by the Street Inspector"

Passed Unanimously

The meeting next proceeded to co-opt a Councillor in the room of Mr Grace, - and it was

Proposed by Mr Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

"That Mr W. G. Williams be elected to the vacancy in the Urban Council".

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Hand

That Mr Kirkham be elected.

after some discussion Mr Kirkham's name was withdrawn, the members

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not wishing to vote for one in preference to another, and Mr Williams was declared unanimously elected.

A requisition signed by several traders, asking the Railway bo to cause the mail trains to be stopped at Palace, and also to discontinue issuing Market tickets from New Ross, and stations North of it, to Waterford, was submitted and Messrs Roche, Dunphy, Peter Murphy and the Clerk were appointed a deputation to wait on the Directors of the Railway bo at their offices Westland Row, and urge upon them the importance of complying with the requsition.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 6th. September 1905

Joseph Roche

Monday 4th. September 1905

Monthly Meeting day.

No attendance of members.

The meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 6th. September 1905

Joseph Roche

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Wednesday 6th September 1905

An adjourned meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other acts connected therewith, also to consider proposals for the public lighting of the Urban District, also to receive a deputation and consider an application from the '98 Memorial Committee asking the Council "to allow them to erect the Monument where the foundation stone was laid opposite the Tholsel, and just beside the Dalibeny Fountain"

Present Messrs Joseph Roche Presiding
John OSullivan
John Meehan
Wm. G. Williams
Peter Murphy
Michael Freaney
John Murphy
David Murphy
John Hand
John and Fanning

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and Wm. G. Williams and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 63 M. J. Flinn Petty Cash £ 20 .. 18 .. 7

The following were present as a deputation from the 98' Committee Viz:- Messrs John Cummins J.P. M.C.C. John Cloney D.C. Patrick OBrien D.C. James Farrell D.C. and Patrick Bailey

The resolution received from Mr Cummins J.P. M.C.C. on behalf of the '98 Committee and entered on Minutes of last meeting asking for permission to erect the Monument where the foundation stone was laid, was first considered.

The Clerk gave a detailed statement of the correspondence which passed between the Town Commissioners, the Urban Council, and the Secretary of the '98 Committee which showed that the first-named had passed a resolution

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directing the Clerk to inform the Secretary that the Commissioners had no objection to the erection of the monument at the East side of the Dauberny Fountain. This resolution was never rescinded, but subsequently on two or three occasions the Urban Council received an application from the Secretary of the '98 Committee asking for the removal of the Fountain to make room for the erection of the Monument, but on each occasion the application was refused. Mr Meehan and Mr Cummins now stated that the Secretary never had authority from the Committee to apply for the removal of the Fountain. The following resolution was now

Proposed by Mr Meehan and
Seconded by Mr Fanning

"That the Urban Council give permission"
"and leave to the '98 Association to erect the '98 monument where the"
"foundation stone was laid, namely, at the East side of the Dauberny"
"Fountain".

Passed Unanimously

D. W. & W. Railway Co,
Dublin 2nd. September 1905.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st. Inst, asking my Directors to receive a deputation from your Council, which shall be laid before my Board in due course.

Yours faithfully,
M. J. Keogh.

No Order made

Bunneen Lane, New Ross,
6th. September 1905.

Sir,

I propose to keep twenty houses in William St, New Ross, free from soot &c according to advertisement, for twelve months, for the sum of thirty-five shillings (£1.15.0).

I name as Securities for the performance of the work,
Mr James Walsh Mary St, Peter Holden John St,

Yours respectfully,
Thomas Martin.

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Ordered "That Thomas Martin's proposal be accepted provided he is willing to carry out the work at same price as last Contract Viz 30/= same to date from 1st. August, the date of expiration of last, he having cleaned the Chimneys in the meantime".

A letter was received from Gas Co stating that they intend opening the ground in Bridge St but there was no order made upon it.

A letter was also received from Mrs Roche Ballyanne asking for settlement of account furnished for limestones, and it was ordered to be referred to the Finance Committee, and that her man be asked to point out to the Town Surveyor the portion of the Quay upon which last two boatloads were delivered

The following resolution, received from the Irish Cattle Traders and Stockbroker's Association, was on the proposal of Mr John Murphy Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy, unanimously adopted Viz:-

"That in view of the laudable efforts now being made to support Irish industries and products this Association condemns the practice followed by many public boards, charitable institutions, training and educational establishments, and hospitals, wholly or partly maintained by public rates or Irish subscriptions, in largely purchasing imported frozen meat, and we hereby call upon the controllers of such institutions to assist the native producer by giving their custom to the home article, and, by thus helping to develop Irish industries, aid in stopping the fatal tide of emigration".

Terence Kluskey of Jone's Hill, applied for the tenancy of the vacant house in William St, the weekly rent of which is one shilling and nine pence, and offered Richard Bird, and P. V. Oforman as Sureties. The Clerk stated that the necessary rent had been lodged, and on the proposal of Mr J. Murphy Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy his application was accepted.

The proposal of the Gas Co for the public lighting of the town, which was adjourned from last meeting, was considered, and on the motion of Mr David Murphy, Seconded by Mr Williams, it was accepted subject to

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deduction proportionately, for period of last and present contract covered by new and old contract, and also for number moonlight-night lamps which need not be lighted; the same number, or possibly two or three more, of incandescent burners to be used as were used last contract.

Ordered

That the lamp committee, consisting of Messrs Greaney and John Murphy be appointed to select the number and position of lamps to be lighted on nights of full moon.

Town Surveyors Report

Gentlemen/:

Some additional work has been done to the Irishtown in filling the south side and blinding over the broken stones. Henry St yard He got cleaned up and the dirt and rubbish heaped up in one corner.

Mrs Carr's men delivered three boatloads of gravel from St Mullin's the gravel is finer than what I would like for footpaths. He had it carted to the yard. The water tables under kerbing of footways of bridge he got cleaned.

A large portion of Priory Lane got a coat of metalling, and owing to the weeds and dirt on the sides and water tables he got it cleaned before metalling. There is a trap or grating missing which ought to be replaced by a new one to carry off the water and prevent an accident.

Some of the flags in footway in Charles St got displaced by the burrowing of rats. he had them reset. Some metalling has been put on bad portions of the quay.

Thomas Byrne

Ordered

That advertisements be issued for supply of boatload of building sand of about sixteen tons.

That the Town Surveyor get a new trap set in Priory Lane.

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The Surveyor also submitted Specification of repairs to house occupied by Richard Wickham, one of the new houses in William St, and property of Council adjacent to Wickham's house, and it was ordered that the members be summoned to consider same at next meeting, and in the meantime advertisements be issued inviting proposals for carrying out the work in accordance with the specification.

He also submitted specification and Estimate of repairs to be carried out on house occupied by Michael Curran Bullawn, and after some discussion an order was passed directing him to have the work specified done as soon as possible.

Street Inspectors Reports

The Street Inspector reported in detail respecting the scavenging of the streets each day, and also that a grating opposite Father Whites gate Rosbercon is required for the "Baun" High Hill, there being only a stone on the inlet there at present, that the grating at Southend of Church Lane requires to be re-adjusted, and a dangerous wall at North end of Nunnery Lane should be taken down, also that there are holes in the paved water table at North side of Mary St, Quay St, North St and portion of Rosbercon.

Ordered

That the Surveyor get a trap fixed at the "Baun" High Hill.

That he furnish to next meeting an Estimate of cost of connecting grating, at South end of Church Lane, with Main sewer of street.

The Town Surveyor stated that notice had been served on Mr Lehan respecting the dangerous wall, and that officer was now ordered to see that it was pulled down, or secured immediately.

He also reported that a box was placed outside the Newcastle Tea Company's premises since fourth of present month. He asked for an order to prosecute, as he repeatedly cautioned the manager, who treated the warning with contempt.

Ordered That the Council's Solicitors be instructed to prosecute the Newcastle Tea company in this case

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 13th September 1905

Wm. Colo Williams

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A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider, and if deemed advisable, adopt estimate of Surveyor for repairs to houses, and property, in William St, and consider tenders for same.

Present Messrs Wm. G. Williams Presiding
John Hand
Michael Freaney
John Murphy
Peter Murphy
David Murphy
and
Joseph Roche

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and the following Paying orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No	64	Treasurer to Council	£ 315 .. 0 .. 10
"	65	John J. Browne	7 .. 5 .. 1
"	66	M. J. Flinn	25 .. 0 .. 0
"	67	same	8 .. 9 .. 1
"	68	C. W. Carr	4 .. 10 .. 0
"	69	James Barron	2 .. 13 .. 7
"	70	Thomas Byrne	6 .. 16 .. 8

Estate office,
New Ross, 7th. September 1905

Dear Sir

At a meeting yesterday of the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital charity it was decided, owing to insufficient funds, to postpone the election of an inmate to fill the vacancy caused by Mrs Fowlers death.

Yours faithfully,
Hugh R. Hamilton.

No Order made

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D. W & W^d. Railway Co,
Dublin, 7th. September 1905.

Dear Sir/.

Your letter of the 1st. instant has been submitted to my Directors, and I am desired to state in reply that the Board regret they do not see their way to putting an additional stop on the Waterford Mail Trains.

With reference to the question of the issue of Market Tickets, the Directors will be prepared to consider any suggestion your Council may desire to make with regard to the extension of facilities, if you will be so good as to furnish particulars.

In these circumstances, my Directors do not consider that any advantage would be obtained by their receiving a deputation from your Council.

Yours faithfully.
M. H. Keogh.
Secretary.

Ordered "That the Directors of the D. W & W^d. Railway Co be asked to re-consider their decision refusing to receive a deputation of this Council, and that they be informed the Council do not ask to have all the mail trains stopped at Palace, and they believe that their views on this matter, and the other one referred to in their previous letter, would be put before the Directors in a more business like way by a deputation, than by correspondence."

County Council Offices,
Court House, Wexford,
8th. September 1905.

Sir/.

I notice from the entries of the County Council Bank Book for August that no lodgment has been made by your Urban Council on foot of County Council's demand.

Kindly have lodged at once a quarter of said demand; you will observe by form 51 that a quarter of the demand is to be lodged on or before the 1st. day of June, September, December and March.

Yours Obediently,
W. H. Pigott.
County Secretary

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as a Paying order for the amount was being issued at this meeting, there was no order made.

A Notification was received from the Commissioner of Valuation that he had appointed Mr J. W. Baston, to make the annual revision of the Urban District, and that it will be commenced about the 11th Inst.

No Order made

Two proposals were received for the supply of a boatload of building sand, one from Mrs C. W. Carr at 24/6, and one from Patrick Carroll Shanbough at 25/=, and on the proposal of Mr David Murphy seconded by Mr Roche, Mrs Carr's proposal, being the cheapest, was accepted.

A circular letter was received from the "Fine Art and General Insurance Co Ltd" 38 Dame St Dublin pointing out the advantages of their Municipal Fire Insurance Profit sharing Department and soliciting a transfer of the Councils Insurance business.

No Order made

The Clerk pointed out that the material in Robert St was not yet removed and one or two complaints reached the office about it - It was now Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and Seconded by Mr Roche "That the Town Surveyor have all the material and rubbish in Robert St removed immediately and placed along with road metalling in depot at Town Wall"

Passed Unanimously

The following notice of Motion was handed in by Mr Roche Viz:-
At the next meeting of this Council, I will move the following resolution. That all the officers of this Council, except Clerk be prohibited from attending in office, during meeting time unless when required by members present.

Joseph Roche

Ordered that the members of the Council be summoned to consider it.

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The Clerk submitted a monthly report showing state of collection of Poor Rate, number of times Collector's books were checked and amount outstanding on 1st Inst, but there was no order made upon it.

as there was no Finance Committee meeting, the bills submitted for payment were examined by the meeting, and on the motion of Mr Freaney Seconded by Mr Roche, were ordered to be paid.

It having been stated that the Town Surveyor, did not yet lodge any of the money paid to Mr O'Brien B. E. for preparing the plans in connection with the stopping of the flooding of the Royal Hotel, as promised by him, it was ordered that Messrs David Murphy and John Meehan be asked to pay over the amount to the Council, they having undertaken on the occasion of the reinstatement of the Town Surveyor, to pay this money in the event of that officer failing to carry out a promise then made by him to pay it.

Town Surveyors Report

The filling up and metalling of the surface of Mount Garrett Lane is proceeding. I had but one horse at work this week. One boatload of limestones was carted to Mount Garrett Lane.

The sides and watertables of the Wexford road and Nash road were cleaned and part of the cleanings removed.

The Gas Company's men in taking up and re-setting a flag in Bridge St broke it into several pieces.

I served notice on Mr Leehan, agent for Mr Richards, 6 days ago, with regard to the taking down the dangerous walls of old houses, in Nunnery Lane, he has not started work yet but promised to do so to-morrow.

Thomas Byrne

Ordered

That the Gas Company be asked to have a flag set instead of the one broken by them as referred to in the report.

The Clerk stated that in accordance with the resolution of the Council, he instructed their Solicitors to prosecute persons reported to him, by the Street Inspector for depositing shop sweepings on the street, after 8.30 A.M. subsequently that officer directed the Solicitor, to withdraw some of the cases as the persons had ceased

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offending, and it appeared there only one remained, and the Clerk asked if the case against him, would also be withdrawn, and it was agreed to do so.

Ordered

That the Street Inspector get the door of Shambles repaired. On the proposition of Mr Greaney it was agreed to adjourn the remainder of the business.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 27th September 1905

P Shinnors 22/9/05

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Wednesday 27th September 1905

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith, also to consider, and if deemed advisable, adopt Estimate of Surveyor for repairs to houses, and property, in William St, and tenders for same, also the following Notice of Motion served by Mr Roche Viz:- That all the officers of this Council except clerk be prohibited from attending in office during meeting time unless when required by members present.

Present Messrs Patrick Dunphy Presiding
Peter Murphy
John Meehan
John Murphy
Joseph Roche
John Hand
John Hanning
Wm. G. Williams
John and Sullivan

The minutes of previous meeting were signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and John Meehan and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 41 M. J. Flinn Petty Cash £18..12..2

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

D. W & W^d. Railway Co.
Dublin, 21st September 1905.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 16th instant has been considered by my Directors, and I am desired to say that if, notwithstanding my letter of the 7th instant, your Council still desire it, arrangements will be made to receive a Deputation on Thursday 5th October, at 12 oclock noon.

I am to ask you, meantime, to state in detail what proposals your

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Council desire to submit with regard to the issue of Market Tickets.

I shall be glad to have a reply from you early, intimating whether your Council accept the appointment suggested, and giving the information asked for.

Yours faithfully,
M. F. Keogh.
Secretary.

Ordered

That the deputation will be prepared to wait upon them on the day and hour fixed, and in reference to the issue of Market Tickets the Council have by resolution decided to ask the Company to dis-continue issuing them from New Ross, and stations North of it, to Waterford, as the Council believe same is very detrimental to the best interests of the town. They also ask to have them issued from Aylwardstown to New Ross.

New Ross,
Sept 27th. 1905.

Gentlemen/

I am in receipt of your favour of the 15th. Inst. quoting extract from a report of the Town Surveyor, in reference to the gully trap set opposite Mr. Power's Bridge St, and requesting me to have it reset. I beg to state that no responsibility is attached to me for the setting of it, as the work was done under the personal supervision of the Town Surveyor. I am sure on reflection he will remember he gave out this trap from the Fish House, went over to the place, got the ground opened, saw the position of sewers ordered me to supply a length of 6" channel pipe, gave directions for the setting of this channel to my man, saw the pipe set measured the depth of the trap which was to discharge into this channel pipe, saw the trap set, and how it stood in relation to level of flagging &c, and further I happened to come to the place when all was done, but the setting of the brick and cement margin round the trap on the surface. I ventured to suggest the use of hard fire brick, and the Surveyor may remember, he told me hard Billberry brick would do. The Surveyor was on the ground all this time and there was no complaint under those circumstances. I

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must decline to carry out your request unless I am paid for it.

Yours faithfully,
Andrew Bullen.
Builder &c.

Ordered

That the consideration of this letter be adjourned until after the meeting to be held on 6th inst. October, the meeting at the same time being of opinion that Mr Bullen was not responsible for any defect in the setting of the Trap.

Mary St.
New Ross. Sept 24th inst. 1905.

Gentlemen,

I beg to ask permission to raise the flag outside my premises in Mary St, in order to place a 1½ inch pipe, to meet the sewer outside.

Truly Yours,
Thomas Hogan.

Ordered

That permission be given to Mr Hogan to lay the pipe as requested.

Gas Co.
New Ross. Sept 16th inst. 1905.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of 26th inst August last. I am directed to say that we will put up the two lamps you mention for the price quoted in my letter of 22nd inst August; but in the event of the work turning out cheaper we will give the benefit of same to your Council.

Yours faithfully,
David Hunt.
Secretary.

That the Gas Co be asked again to re-consider this matter and erect the two lamps on the same conditions as the one in Bewley St, viz:- The Company to supply, and lay, the piping and the Council to get the ground opened and re-filled.

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Bank of Ireland Office,
New Ross, 20th Sept 1905.

Dear Sir,

I beg to call attention to the obstruction caused by Market carts, (Potatoes & vegetables) standing in front of the Bank, they are often 2 & 3 deep rendering it impossible for vehicles to draw up near the Bank door. Surely some other place could be found for these carts where they would not be in the way, it is very unreasonable to have the entrance to a public Institution blocked in this way.

faithfully Yours,
J. A. Exshaw.

That the Street Inspector prevent, as far as possible, the obstruction and that he require owners, or persons in charge of market carts, to keep at the river side of the Quay and not alongside footpath.

Irishtown,
Sept 24th 05.

Gentlemen/

I beg to inform you that my house is in a very bad state. I hope you will see your way to repair patch especially where the rain is coming down, one days work would do it, your kind and immediate attention, will much oblige.

yours faithfully,
Mary Galavan.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Meehan

That a committee consisting of Messrs J. Roche and J. Murphy be appointed to inspect Mrs Galavan's house and report to the Council what, in their opinion, should be done with it to put it in repair.

Edward Murphy Bullawn, wrote stating that he heard a house belonging to the Council was about being vacant, and applying for the Tenancy of it, but the meeting decided not to take any action

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in the matter until they would have obtained possession of the house.

An application was received from W. H. Hearn Solicitor, agent to Sun Insurance Co, for payment of premium on Insurance of Tholsel and it was ordered that payment be made out of Petty Cash, if necessary to pay it before next Finance meeting.

A notice was received from the Local Government Auditor, J. A. Baker Esq. stating that he would open the audit of the Accounts of the Council, for year ended 31st March 1905, on Tuesday 3rd October 1905.

No Order made

Report of Lamp Committee

September 15th 1905.

The undersigned members who were appointed to report as to the number of lamps which ought to be lighted on nights of full moon, met in the Council office on above date, and considered the matter very fully, in conjunction with the Manager of the Gas Company. We recommend that the following lamps be lighted on those nights, as we believe they are necessary for the proper lighting of the different portions of the town, viz:-

Newtown	–	Victoria Place
Priory St	"	Jone's office
"	"	top of Priory Lane
Cross Lane	"	centre
South St	"	Session House
"	"	top of Marsh Lane
"	"	Sister's corner
"	"	Cooney's
"	"	Gannon's
Robert St	"	centre
"	"	on right hand pillar Chapel
Michael St	"	top
Marsh Lane	"	centre
Quay	"	Hoxe's corner

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Quay St	–	Murphy's corner
North St	–	Cavanagh's
"	–	foot of High Hill
John St	"	Hotel corner
"	"	College road
"	"	entrance to Brewery
Bridge	"	Ross end
Roberon	"	entrance to Boat club
"	"	Chapel
Hill School	"	
Mary St	"	Dorans
"	"	foot Chapel Lane
"	"	corner Bewley St
"	"	Houghton Hospital
Irishtown	"	Fair Gate
High Hill	"	On Augustinian Rails
"	"	centre

Signed
J. Murphy

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Roche

"That the report of the Committee be adopted and the number of lamps recommended by them be lighted on nights of Full moon".

Passed Unanimously

A discussion took place respecting the removal of the lamp on the corner of Mr Hutchinson's store in Conduit Lane to a position on opposite side of Charles St, and it was proposed by Mr Roche and seconded by Mr Peter Murphy "That the lamp on Mr Hutchinson's store in Conduit Lane be removed to opposite side of Charles St, fixed on a Pillar, and fitted with incandescent burner"

Passed Unanimously

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A circular letter was received from the Local Government Board calling attention to the inconvenience caused to County Councils by the delay on the part of Urban Councils in making the quarterly payments in satisfaction of the Annual Demand, and stating the Board will be compelled to make such notifications in their order as will enable the County Councils to enforce payment if the neglect or delay referred to is persisted in

No Order made

Report of Rent Collector

New Ross
September 25th 1905

Sir,

I beg leave to report that all the yards in Holly House Lane, Hair Gate, Irishtown and No 1 scheme William St, require repairs.

Holly House Lane

Laurence Morrissy, repairs to closet, floor in kitchen, oven and fastenings on windows. James Kehoe, Latches on doors. John Walsh, Plastering upstairs and new bottom to gate. James Carroll, Plastering upstairs and lock on street door. James Norris, plastering around front door.

William Street

Mrs Quigley, require door replaced on ashpit and small door on fireplace of Kitchen Range. John Hand, require door on ashpit. Terence Fluskey, require a step to the back door. Mrs Merrigan, floor repaired. Mrs Johnson Latches on door and range repaired.

Yours truly,
John J. Browne.
Collector.

Ordered

That its consideration be deferred until after the adjourned meeting of the Council, and that in the meantime the Committee appointed to inspect Mrs Galavin's house inspect those houses and the ones mentioned in a previous report and recommend what should be done with them.

The following resolution, of which notice had been given by Mr Roche, was proposed by him and Seconded by Mr John Murphy viz: "That all the

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officers of this bouncil excpt clerk be prohibited from attending in office, during meeting time unless when required by members present."

On being put to the vote there voted

For - Messrs Hand, Roche, P. Murphy, J. Murphy, & Chairman 5

against - Messrs Hanning and Meehan 2

The resolution was declared "Passed"

Town Surveyors Report

The Town Surveyor reported that the rubbish and shingle in Robert St. was removed to the ground in Barrack Lane. Additional shingle for filling was put out and broken on Mount Garrett Lane. Quarry stones were carted to depots in Mount Garrett Lane and Irishtown. Two boatloads of limestones were carted to depots. The sides and water tables of outlying roads were cleaned up and the stuff removed.

No Order made

Ordered

That the Surveyor furnish, to next meeting, an estimate of the cost of paving the portions of the Street channels mentioned on the street Inspectors Report which require to be repaired Viz:- Quay St, (North South channels of it) North St, Mary St, and portion of Robercon and that he also get the grating opposite Mr Whites, which is loose, and dangerous at present, properly re-set, or replaced by one of the gratings in stock.

The following Notices of Motions were handed in by Mr Hanning, initialled by the Chairman, and ordered to be considered at meeting to be held on 11th. October 1905 Viz:- No 1 That No candidate shall be eligible for any clerical position or office in the Urban Council unless he possesses a knowledge of the Irish language.

No 2 That ex-pensioners shall be ineligible for any clerical position or office in the Urban Council as long as Ireland is denied by England the right of self-Government.

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No 3 That in future the superscription; On his Majesty's Service be eliminated from envelopes, Notepaper and stationery used by the Urban Council.

No 4 That the Clerk be directed to apply to the Carnegie Trust for a grant of money to build a free public library in New Ross.

No 5 That the Urban Council adopt a scheme for the erection of one hundred Cottages for artizans and labourers at suitable rents and that Clerk be directed to take the necessary steps in connection therewith.

No 6 That Sub-Sanitary Officer Mr Thomas Butler be provided with a full uniform by the Urban Council, and that the resolution refusing same be rescinded.

As was also the following one handed in by Mr John Murphy. Viz:- I give notice that I will move at next meeting "that resolution authorising Street Inspector to prosecute in cases of people sweeping out after 8.30 a.m. be rescanded.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 11th October 1905

L. D. Kean

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Thursday 28th. September 1905

A meeting of the bommittee, appointed to have valves of main water pipes repaired, met this day in the office of the bouncil.

Present Messrs Peter Murphy and Joseph Roche

The bommittee inspected both the three-way cock, and the one opposite Mr Doyle's in Quay St. They decided to have both examined by Mr Hartrick and if possible repaired by him, provided he is willing to commence the work at once and continue it until completed. They directed the clerk to inform him of this and in the event of him agreeing to the necessary condition to employ him and have him repair the one in Quay St first.

The bommittee then adjourned

Friday 29th. September 1905

The bommittee appointed to have water valves repaired, met this day and having inspected valve in Quay St at which Mr Hartrick had been working found it all right, a portion of a stick having been taken out of pipe and some other repairs done to valve.

They had the ground around the Three-way cock at Tholsel opened and having inspected the cock, decided to have it sent at once, to the Foundry in Waterford in order to have the plug ground. They directed the Clerk to ascertain, by Telephone, from Mr Graham, proprietor of the Foundry, when the grinding of it could be undertaken by him, and to send the Street Inspector with it then, so as to expidite the delivery and return of it.

Accordingly the Street Inspector conveyed the cock to Waterford on Monday 2nd. October and had it ground when Mr Hartrick was directed to have it re-set and the main piping, which had to be detached from the cock, repaired. The bommittee also authorized the Street Inspector to employ a mason to build the frame around this cock and the one opposite Mr Doyle's in Quay St. after which they adjourned.

J. B. Roche

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Friday 6th October 1905

An adjourned meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to consider what action should be taken respecting the failure of the Town Surveyor to carry out a number of orders of the council, directed to be carried out by him.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Chairman Presiding
Peter Murphy
John Murphy
and
John O'Sullivan

The Clerk submitted a number of orders taken from the order book which the Surveyor had not carried out. He also reported that he had not attended in the office to write up particulars of what the men were engaged at each day, since Friday 29th September, nor did he write up the No 2 Labour Book for week ending 4th Inst.

A long discussion took place as to what steps the Council should take respecting him, and eventually the following resolution was

Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr O'Sullivan

"That Mr Byrne be suspended from his duty of directing and Superintending men engaged in Street maintenance and that his Salary of £30 . 0 . 0 per annum for this work be not paid him during his time of suspension and that an advertisment be issued to have a person appointed at next meeting to take temporary charge of these duties at the same Salary".

Passed Unanimously

That the Clerk take charge of the men engaged in Street maintenance and and direct them until next meeting of the Council.

Ordered

That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to consider what steps should be taken respecting the Town Surveyor who has been absent from duty since 29th September 1905.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 11th October 1905 J. B. Hearn

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Wednesday 11th October 1905

A Quarterly meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business, and consider the Quarterly report, and recommendations of the Town Surveyor, and applications for new works, if any.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Chairman Presiding
Patrick Dunphy
John Hand
John Hanning
Peter Murphy
John Meehan
Wm. G. Williams
John S. Hearn
David Murphy
John Murphy
John and O'Sullivan
Joseph Roche

Town Surveyor's Quarterly Report ending 30th September 1905

Gentlemen,

The work of providing for the maintenance of the streets during the past quarter has been satisfactorily carried out.

During this period most of the labour was devoted to the work of the Irishtown, which is at present in a fairly forward condition.

Yours obediently,
Thomas Byrne.

No Order made

The following letter was read

New Ross,
11th September 1905.

Dear Sir,

I regret, owing to illness, my inability to attend the Quarterly meeting of the Council to be held this evening.

Yours faithfully,
Thomas Byrne.

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Ordered That the Surveyor be directed to furnish a doctor's certificate of his illness, which should also state when, in the opinion of the doctor, he will be able to resume duty.

P. S. Kearn

The meeting adjourned

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Wednesday 11th. October 1905

An adjourned meeting of the New Ross Urban Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith, also to consider "Notices of Motion" handed in by Mr Hanning and John Murphy and entered on the minutes of last meeting, and to consider what steps should be taken respecting the Town Surveyor who has been absent from duties since 29th. September 1905.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Chairman Presiding
Patrick Dunphy
John Hand
John Hanning
Peter Murphy
John Meehan
Wm. G. Williams
John S. Hearn J.P.
David Murphy
John Murphy
John and O'Sullivan
Joseph Roche

The minutes of previous meeting were signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Wm. G. Williams and Peter Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:—

No	72	Joseph Freeman	£ 3 .. 8 .. 0
..	73	Michael Hunt Dungarstown	19 .. 10
..	74	John J. Browne	3 .. 3 .. 4
..	75	St Stephens Cemetery Committee	10 .. 1 .. 0
..	76	M. J. Flinn Postage	1 .. 9 .. 3
..	77	.. ¼ salary as C.S. Officer	4 .. 13 .. 9
..	78	Benjamin Graham	9 .. 8 .. 0
..	79	John Tobin	3 .. 2 .. 6
..	80	James Barron	19 .. 11 .. 7
..	81	Wolfer & Jethin	97 .. 14 .. 8
..	82	same	17 .. 5 .. 4

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No 83	Thomas Byrne		£ 6 .. 16 .. 8
.. 84	M. J. Flinn	Petty Cash	20 .. 10 .. 10

Committee Report

New Ross,
October 9th 1905.

The Committee appointed at last meeting inspected Mrs Galavins house at Irishtown and recommend that a new roof be put on it, also three large, and two small windows on East side of it.

We also inspected some of the other houses of the Council situate at Hair Gate and Holly House Lane and recommend that a closet and ashpit be built in yard of house occupied by James Kehoe, and that the surface of yard be repaired and a stench trap fixed in it.

House of Mrs Donovan Hair Gate requires a Thumb piece for latch, the lock tightened, floor repaired and bars fixed in grate. A length of Eave shute should be fixed on Steacy's house.

House of Laurence Morrissey - Floor requires to be repaired, some fire bricks set at side of range and plastering, yard to be repaired and new stench trap fixed in it, pane of glass in font window and latches on windows.

House of John Walsh - Plastering and new grate upstairs and new stop for back door.

House of James Carroll - Weather board on door and a new lock, some plastering upstairs and yard repaired.

Mrs Donovan - new catches for windows. J. Norris - Plastering around front door stop for back door and plastering around same and end of Hall, catch for latch.

J. Murphy
Joseph Roche

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That the recommendation of the Committee be adopted, and the work carried out by the Street Inspector immediately with the exception of the recommendation respecting

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Mrs Galavan's house which is adjourned until the Council will be in a position to obtain an Estimate and Specification of the cost of carrying out the work recommended by the Committee."

Passed Unanimously

It was also ordered that the Clerk obtain all information possible respecting the title of the Council to this property with a view to disposing of it.

The minutes of the meetings of the Committee appointed to have the water valves repaired were read, and on the motion of Mr J. S. Hearn seconded by Mr David Murphy the steps taken by the Committee and expenses incurred in the repair of the valves were approved of, and the same Committee was authorized to have the valve near the tank in Mary St repaired.

It was also ordered that the attention of the Contractor be directed to the pumps in Neville St and Wexford St that he may ascertain if the scarcity of water in them is due to want of repair.

Hair Gate,
New Ross. October 11th 1905.

Dear Sirs

I beg to draw your attention to house situated at above address, and occupied by Patrick Kehoe. With reference to said house formerly rented at 1/= per week, and which was raised to 2/= per week, owing to repairs done to same.

The rent to be again reduced to the former, when the estimated amount £12 for repairs was paid. With a view to the fact of this amount being over-paid, and time terminated, I wish to place the matter before your notice.

Hoping you will arrive at a conclusion in accordance with agreement of the above statement.

I am Yours Respectfully,
Patrick Kehoe.

Ordered

That this letter be referred to the Finance Committee for

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report, the Clerk to ascertain particulars respecting it in the meantime.

Applications were received from Messrs John J. Browne Rent Collector, and Thomas Butler Street Inspector, for the temporary position of taking charge of and directing workmen engaged in Street maintenence.

Proposed by Mr Canning and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That Mr Thomas Butler be appointed at a salary of 12/= per week, the appointment to be for one month, or such longer time as the Council may direct"

Passed Unanimously

Mr Browne was not proposed

An application, dated 5th October, was received from the Commissioner of Valuation for the Valuation Lists of the Urban District, and also a letter dated 7th Inst acknowledging their receipt.

Office of National Education,
Dublin, 27th September 1905.

Sir,

As the period of service of the School Attendance Committee for the Urban District of NewRoss, will terminate on the 31st December next, I am to request that you will have the goodness to furnish on the enclosed form, at your earliest convenience, particulars as to the persons appointed by the NewRoss Urban District Council acting as the Local Authority under the Irish Education Act, 1892, to be members of a new Committee from the 1st January, 1906.

The required particulars should be supplied before the 30th Nov.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
W. J. Dilworth.
Secretary.

Ordered

That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to elect their portion of the Committee for the ensuing three years.

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New Ross Gas Co,
October 11th 1905.

Charles St Lamp

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 2nd Inst. this Lamp will be removed and fitted as required.

I am also directed to say that this Company regret they cannot reduce the offer already made for erection of proposed Lamps in Maiden Lane, and Michael St.

Yours faithfully,
David Hunt.
Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Hanning and
Seconded by Mr Meehan

That the Gas Co be directed to have the lamps in Michael St, and Maiden Lane erected on the terms stated in their letters of 22nd August and 16th September 1905.

Passed Unanimously

The meeting took no action respecting the Town Surveyor, which they had been summoned to consider, except that which appears on the Minutes of the Quarterly meeting.

On the proposal of Mr John S. Hearn Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy the Street Inspector was directed to carry out all the orders of the Council, as entered in the order book, which the Town Surveyor had failed to carry out; and that he be authorized to obtain the material, and employ the labour necessary to enable him to do so, work of an urgent nature, such as the setting of Street gratings, to be attended to first.

County Wexford Convention United Irish League
3rd October. 1905.

Dear Sir,

As you are aware, the last twelve months of British rule in Ireland has been characterized by exceptional hostility and official

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bitterness towards the people. We have seen a perjured Government throw aside with contempt our claims on the University question. We have seen them shamelessly break the promises to the evicted tenants which they made so liberally while the Land Act was passing, and we know that the evicted tenants are still out in the cold. We remember Mr Wyndham's promise to the labourers, and how he betrayed them. Then we have Mr Balfour's infamous attack on Ireland's representation, and we have the Treasury attack on the Irish language. All along the front the enemy, taking advantage of their temporary majority, have been forcing the fight against us with relentless vigour and enmity. In that fight the National Organization and the Irish Party have borne a creditable share.

At this juncture, therefore, it is only right that we should show the world that we are behind Mr Redmond and his colleagues in this struggle, and it has been decided to hold a great County Convention in Wexford Town on Friday, November 3rd. at which Mr John Redmond has promised to attend.

Wexfordmen will take advantage of the occasion to show our distinguished countryman how warmly we appreciate his magnificent leadership and his great devotion to the National cause.

The Very Revd. Canon Hurlong, P.P. Taghmon, will preside, and our County members, Sir Thos. H. Esmonde and Mr Peter J. French, will also attend.

The Chair will be taken at 1.30 o'clock sharp

As space will be limited on the occasion, admission will be by ticket. We enclose one for yourself and a few which you might give to the leading men in your district.

E. J. Irwin.
Hon Sec, North Wexford Executive

Kindly have delegates appointed. We enclose tickets if you require more please write us.

M. Doyle
N. J. Cosgrave
Hon Secs., South Wexford Executive

Proposed by Mr Hanning and
Seconded by Mr Meehan

"That all the members of the council be appointed to attend the Convention at Wexford on the 3rd. November 1905."

Passed Unanimously

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Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met to day and recommend the payment of following (see list at commencement of minutes). We have examined the abstract of Poor Rate and recommend the sum of £12-14-5 be cancelled as irrecoverable.

Signed John S. Ream
J.B. Ream

October 11th. 1905.

Proposed by Mr Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr Meehan

"That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, the payments recommended by them be made, and the outstanding Poor Rate recommended to be cancelled be cancelled".

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk reported that Mrs Carr had not yet supplied the boat of sand for which her tender was accepted nor could she state definitely when it will be supplied. as the sand was required at once, it was ordered that the order given to her be cancelled and that Mr Patrick Carroll Shanbough be asked to supply it at the price quoted in his tender previously.

The meeting next proceeded to consider the several "Notices of Motions" handed in at last meeting and the following were
Proposed by Mr Hanning and
Seconded by Mr Meehan

"That no candidate shall be eligible for any clerical position or office in the Urban Council unless he possess a knowledge of the Irish language".

Passed Unanimously the examination of candidates to take place before election.

"That ex-pensioners shall be ineligible for any clerical position or office in the Urban Council as long as Ireland is denied by England the right of self-Government".

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On this resolution being put to the meeting there voted

For- Messrs Hanning, Melhan and Hand 3

against - Chairman, ~~Hreaney~~ Roche, J. Murphy, Sullivan, Dunphy, Williams, D. Murphy, J. S. Hearn, P. Murphy 9

Majority against 6

"That in future the superscription. On His Majesty's Service be eliminated from envelopes Notepaper and stationery used by the Urban Council"

at the suggestion of Mr John Murphy it was agreed that when the present supply would be expansted not to have any more printed with this Inscription as they would be less expensive by having them plain. The resolution proposed by Mr Hanning, with this amend-ment, was passed unanimously.

"That the Clerk be directed to apply to the Carnegie Trust for a grant of money to build a free public library in New Ross"

As there was a resolution already passed by the Council refusing to join the Rural Council in making a similar application, the Chairman considered the putting of Mr Hanning's resolution illegal and refused to put it to a vote.

"That the Urban Council adopt a scheme for the erection of one hundred Cottages for artizans and labourers at suitable rents and that the Clerk be directed to take the necessary steps in connection therewith".

as the loan for the proposed water scheme would practically exhaust the borrowing power of the Council the resolution was considered impracticable and was not put to the meeting.

"That Sub-Sanitary officer Mr Thomas Butler be provided with a full uniform by the Urban Council and that the resolution refusing same be rescinded."

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A poll was taken for rescinding the previous resolution refusing the Uniform and there vote for rescinding it.

Messrs Hand, Hanning, Meehan, Williams, OSullivan 5

against J. Murphy, Roche, Dunphy, P. Murphy J. S. Hearn & Chairman 6

Mr David Murphy did not vote

The motion was declared lost, and the matter dropped.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr OSullivan

"That the resolution authorising Street Inspector to prosecute in cases of people sweeping out after 8.30 A.M. be rescinded".

Passed Unanimously

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 25th October 1905

Jas M Roche

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Wednesday 25th October 1905

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith, also to elect members of the School Attendance Committee for three years from the 1st January 1906.

Present Messrs Joseph Roche Presiding
David Murphy
Peter Murphy
John Murphy
Wm. G. Williams
John and Meehan

The minutes of previous meeting were signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs John Meehan and David Murphy, and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 85 M. J. Flinn Petty Cash £21 .. 14 .. 5

The following certificate was received from Dr Hickey

To certify that Mr Thomas Byrne has been attended by me from 26th September suffering from Catarrh of the throat with deafness. He is also suffering from Hapatic attack and will be unable to resume duty for one week.

Signed
G. A. Hickey

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after some discussion it was ordered that the consideration of it be adjourned to next meeting.

The Clerk reported that Sergeant Madden, Inspector of weights and measures, informed him that the Public weighbridge is not weighing accurately and that it should be put into proper repair at once.

He (clerk) was speaking to Fred Hartrick in reference to it and the latter stated that it was opened up some time ago when the

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bearings were found to be worn. He was of opinion new ones would be required.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

That a committee, consisting of Messrs David Murphy, and John Murphy, be appointed to inspect the weighbridge and that Jonas Hartrick be employed to examine it, and ascertain if he can repair it, and if so, that the committee be empowered to get it done, or order whatever new portions of it may be required for the purpose of having it properly repaired.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Street Inspector have the broken portions of the Street channels in town, which the Town Surveyor was ordered to repair, but failed to do, paved.

The meeting also approved of the employment by the Inspector of a temporary man to work in John St quarry and directed that he be continued in the employment of the Council until next meeting.

The Clerk reported that the Gas Manager was prepared to erect the lamps in Maiden Lane and Michael St when the exact position is pointed out to him; and Mr Meehan, who was a member of the committee who first selected the site of those lamps, undertook to do so as soon as Mr Fanning, who was the other member of the committee, will return to town.

Ordered

That Notice of completion of audit be advertised in next issue of Free Press.

Owing to the death, since last meeting, of Mr Martin J. Delaney, who was for some years a member of the Council, it was decided not to transact any more business at this, but adjourn it to next

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ordinary meeting of the Council, and the following resolution was
Proposed by Mr Meehan and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That we tender to Mrs Delaney, and her
"immediate relatives and friends, our sincere sympathy and condolence
"on the death of her dear husband, Mr Martin J. Delaney, who was
"for some years a valued member of the Council, and as a mark of
"respect to his memory we adjourn this meeting without transacting
"any business except that of an urgent nature".

Passed

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 8th November 1905

T. S. Kearns

Friday 27th October 1905

The committee appointed to inspect the Public Weighbridge, and direct Mr Jonas Hartrick as to its repairs, met to-day and proceeded to inspect it. On the platform portion of it being removed it was found that the bearings were worn, and rounded to such an extent, as to render repair of them impossible. The committee therefore directed Mr Hartrick to have new bearings made, and the machine properly adjusted, after which they adjourned.

T. S. Kearns

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A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Chairman, Presiding
John S. Hearn J.P.
Joseph Roche
John Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
Peter Murphy
David Murphy
Wm. Ly. Williams
and
John OSullivan

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs John OSullivan, and Wm. Ly. Williams, and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 86	John Tobin	£12	10	0
" 87	Patrick Redmond	8	13	4
" 88	A.H Lyndall Ballyjanne	5	10	0
" 89	Sec School Attendance Committee	15	9	11
" 90	M. J. Hinn	26	6	9
" 91	Cashiers Bank of Ireland	62	4	3
" 92	same	46	11	3
" 93	same	24	19	10
" 94	Thomas Martin		15	0
" 95	Margaret Roche	78	12	0
" 96	Technical Instruction Committee	16	12	0
" 97	John J. Browne	4	13	2
" 98				
" 99	W. & H. Hartrick	4	4	0
" 100	Alex Thom & Co Abbey St Dublin		9	0

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The following Paying Orders were received from the County Council and ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Urban Council Viz:-

No 918	Maintenence of a road	(Bridge)	£ 13 .. 10 .. 0
" 928	"	of 1017 perches main road	33 .. 12 .. 2
" 929	"	of 235 "	12 .. 13 .. 2

No 62, 146 : 1905
New Ross
Urban District

Local Government Board,
Dublin, 12th October, 1905.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward herewith for the information of the Council of the New Ross Urban District, a copy of the report of their Auditor on his audit of the accounts of the Council for the year ended the 31st March 1905, with an attested abstract of the accounts.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
H. Courtenay.
Assistant Secretary.

The following is a copy of the report referred to, and also of the abstract of accounts.

Copy

Kingstown,
7th October, 1905.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to report that I have audited the accounts of New Ross Urban District for the financial year ended 31st March, 1905, and transmit herewith two copies of the abstracts duly certified.

A general Urban Rate of 2/5 and a poor rate of 3/6 in the £ was levied for the period.

It would appear to be the practice of many ratepayers to withhold payment of rates until the last few weeks of the financial year, this not only causes delay and inconvenience in closing the accounts but also tends to seriously embarrass the Council in meeting their obligations.

I have endeavoured to impress on the Collectors the necessity for having the greater portion of their rates lodged at an earlier period of the year, having regard to the fact that these are due and payable when the rate is

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made and published.

Some arrears of rents, which I have noted, due by tenants of the corporate estate and artizans dwellings, should be promptly collected.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

J. A. Baker.

Ordered

That the rate collectors be informed that the bouncil require them to proceed with their collections with all possible haste, as the outstanding rates are required, and should they fail to do so, the bouncil will consider the question of reducing their rate of poundage.

Copy of Abstract of Accounts referred to

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Local Government (Ireland) Acts, 34 & 35 Vic., Cap. 109, 61 & 62 Vic., Cap 37.

ABSTRACT of the Accounts of the New Ross Urban District Council for the Financial Year ended the 31st March, 1905
showing the Receipts and Expenditure under the several heads during that period.

RECEIPTS.

Nature of Receipt.		Amount. £	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance in favour at the close of last Financial Year	Petty cash on hands of Clerk	3 0 0					
	Due by Treasurer	403	13	6	433	15	6
Rates.	General Town Rates	936	19	4			
	Poor Rates	1454	5	10			
	Other Rates, viz.:—						
	(a)						
	(b)						
	Government Bounty in lieu of Rates	6	12	11			
					2397	18	1
Rents.	From Corporate Estate	258	15	0			
	„ Artizans' Dwellings	249	1	8			
	„ Water Undertaking	44	5	0			
	„ Light Undertaking						
	„ Town Hall and other properties	63	14	2			
					615	18	10
Grants.	Contribution to Sanitary Salaries (L.G. (I.) Act, 1898, sec. 58 (2) (b))	37	5	0			
	Estate Duty (Probate Duties, &c., Act, 1888, sec. 3 (1) (c))	75	6	3			
					112	11	3
Fees and Tolls.	Burial Ground						
	Markets and Fairs						
	Baths and Washhouses						
	Pier and Harbour						
	Car Licences and Sundries						
Fines.	Town Court	9	3	0			
	Petty Sessions Court	33	5	10			
	Sanitary Offences						
	Library and others						
					42	8	10
Loans.	General Town Purposes, viz.:—						
	(a) for						
	(b) for						
	Sanitary Purposes, viz.:—						
	(a) for						
	(b) for						
Miscellaneous.	Contributions from other local authorities, viz.:—						
	(a) from County Council	253	14	3			
	(b) from						
	Surplus from Sale of Dog Licences	15	17	1			
	Domestic Scavenging, Sewer and Water Connections, Road Openings, &c. Bridge Contract	27	.	.			
	Other Receipts	3	15	3			
	Sales of Manure	45	4	6	345	11	1
Balance to Account of next Financial Year							
Total,					£ 3948	3	7

EXPENDITURE.

Nature of Expenditure.		Amount. £	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Balance against at the close of the last Financial Year							
General Town Charges.	Paving and Repairing of Streets, Wages, &c.	674	1	2			
	Scavenging and Watering of Streets, Wages, &c.	194	3	4			
	Public Lighting, including Wages, Lamp-posts, &c.	75	11	7			
	Building Improvements, or Demolition of Ruinous Buildings						
	Law and Election Expenses	21	2	8			
	Printing, Stationery, and Advertising	31	10	3			
	Rents ~~and~~ Taxes and Insurance	48	6	9			
	Fire Brigade		3	..			
	Town Hall, Public Library, ~~and~~ Park & other property	18	9	7			
	Technical Acts Instruction, expenses	36	2	1			
	Irish Education Acts, „	30	18	2			
	Artizans' Dwellings, Maintenance and Repairs	18	15	9			
	Salaries, Collectors' Fees, and Superannuations	328	8	8			
	Repayment and Interest on Loans for Town Purposes	221	15	4			
	Other Expenses, viz.:—(a) office, including Fire, Light &c	16	14	1			
	(b) Auditing Accounts	12	12	0			
					1758	14	5
Sanitary Charges.	Sewers, Construction, Maintenance Repairs, Wages, &c.	35	16	4			
	Waterworks „ „ „ „	67	8	3			
	Lighting Works, „						
	~~Baths & Washhouses~~ „ Domestic Scavenging	17	9	10			
	Disinfecting and Ambulance	38	10	3			
	Fever Hospital						
	Salaries and Superannuations	102	10	4			
	Repayment and Interest on Loans for Sanitary Purposes	50	17	6			
	Other Expenses, viz.:—(a) Burial Ground including wages	20	6	0			
	(b) Printing and Advertising		1	6			
	(c) Miscellaneous, Law &c	11	7	9	344	7	9
Poor Rate Charges.	Money Supplied to County Council on Demand	1694	1	6			
	Cost of Preparing and Collecting Rate	42	19	10			
	Printing, Stationery, and Advertising						
					1737	1	4
Loans Expenditure.	For General Town purposes, viz.:—						
	(a)						
	(b)						
	For Sanitary Purposes, viz.:—						
	(a)						
	(b)						
	Petty cash on hands of Clerk	30	0	0			
	Due by Treasurer	78	0	1			
					108	0	1
Balance to Account of next Financial Year							
Total,					£3948	3	7

Certificate of the Auditor.

I certify the foregoing to be a true Abstract of the Receipts and Expenditure of the New Ross Urban District Council for the Financial Year ended the 31st day of March, 19..... as appearing in the Books of the Urban Council

Dated this 4th day of October 1905

J. A. Baker *Auditor.*

Certificate of the Clerk.

I certify that the particulars given above have been correctly abstracted by me from the Books of Accounts of the New Ross Urban District Council.

Dated this 4th day of October 1905

M. J. Flinn *Clerk.*

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Local Government Board. Dublin.
14th October 1905.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward, herewith, an order under their Seal of office determining the amount chargeable in respect of the Audit of the accounts of the receipts and expenditure of the Council of the Urban District of New Ross, during the financial year ended 31st March 1905.

The sum named in the Order is payable by the Council to the Local Government Board for Ireland, in accordance with directions received from the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury.

I am, therefore, to request that you will be good enough to bring the matter before your Council at the earliest opportunity, and that the amount may be remitted to the Local Government Board.

I am Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
A. R. Barlas.
Secretary.

According to the sealed order received the amount of Fee is £6-6-0.

It was also stated that the fee chargeable for the audit of the accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee, and St Stephen's Cemetery Committee was £3-3-0 each which the meeting consider very high.

Ordered

That the Local Government Board be informed the Council have had under consideration the respecture fees proposed to be charged for the audit of the accounts of the Council, Technical Instruction Committee, and St Stephen's Cemetery Committee, each of which they consider far too high and they request the Local Government Board to revise, and substantially reduce each of them.

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Wednesday 8th. November 1905 (Minutes contd.)

The following is a copy of the report, and also of the abstract of accounts, of the New Ross Technical Instruction Committee.

Copy

Kingstown,
4th. October, 1905.

No 62, 147/1905
New Ross Urban Dist
Technical Instruction
Committee

Gentlemen/.

I have the honour to report that I have audited the Accounts of New Ross Urban Technical Instruction Committee for the financial year ended 31st. March, 1905, and I beg to transmit, herewith, four copies of the Abstracts duly certified.

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen,
your obedient Servant,
J. A. Baker.

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Abstract of accounts of the New Ross Urban Technical Instruction Committee, for the twelve months ending 31st. March, 1905.

Receipts	£	S	D	Expenditure	£	S	D
To balance to credit in bank		17	5	By salaries of Teachers	211	16	9
" Contributions from New Ross Urban Council	36	2	1	" Salaries of Sec & Clerks	18	6	8
" Contributions from Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction for Ireland	414	9	6	" Establishments & General Expenses	32	2	11
By Class fees	18	15	0	" Rents and Insurance	23	15	0
" Sales	2	17	7	" Fuel, Lighting Heating, cleaning & porterage	18	3	5
				" Scholarships & Prizes	1	11	7
				" Sundry Payments (including Grant of £114-7-3 to equip Good Counsel College Science School)	116	5	10
				" Balance to credit in bank	50	19	5
	£475	1	7		£473	1	7

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I certify the foregoing to be a true and correct Abstract of the actual receipts and expenditure of the New Ross Urban Technical Instruction Committee for the period stated.

Dated this 29th day of April 1905,

Edward Long,

Secretary or Clerk.

I certify above Abstract to be correct.

Dated this 4th day of October 1905.

J. A. Baker,

Auditor.

No Order made

The Gaelic League
County Committee
Enniscorthy
14th October 1905

A.C.A.P.A.

I am directed by the County Committee of the Gaelic League to forward you enclosed Resolution, which you will please bring before your Urban Council at next meeting. These Resolutions having been endorsed, I am requested to ask you to be kind enough to forward them on the person named in Resolution No 1.

I have enclosed copies for that purpose.

Thanking you in anticipation.

LEAMHAN Ó hOG,
PADRAIGIN MHICHADA, B. A.
Hon Sec.

The following are the resolutions referred to

1. " That we declare the action of the Lords of the Treasury, in attempting to dictate the policy of Irish Primary Education, to be a gross and intolerable abuse; and declare determined resistance to such an encroachment to be a public duty."

2 " That we strongly protest against the proposed withdrawal of fees for

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Irish as an extra subject in the National Schools, and we pledge ourselves to resist to the utmost this threatened injustice".

3. "That the Commissioners of National Education have lost irretrievably the confidence of the public, and have forfeited all claim on the sympathy and co-operation of the Managers and Teachers of the Primary Schools; and that the existing deadlock between the Board and the Schools of the country can only be remedied by the retirement of the present Board, and by the substitution of a representative Board, which shall have the confidence and support of the School Managers and Teachers and of the Irish public"

4. "That the Commissioners of National Education, by allowing the Treasury to usurp their functions, have been guilty of a grave breach of trust, the more disgraceful since the Commissioners were aware of the persistent injustice of the Treasury in withholding large funds due to Primary Education in Ireland, and should have met every approach of the Treasury with a demand for full restitution of all moneys wrongfully withheld".

5. "That we call upon any of the Commissioners who do not wish to be held responsible for the present crisis to dissociate themselves publicly from the Board's policy of meek subserviency towards the Treasury, and domineering exasperation towards the Irish public and the Schools".

6 "That in the present crisis we call upon Managers and Teachers throughout our country to assist the efforts of the Gaelic League in reforming Primary Education, and to devote themselves even more earnestly than heretofore to the teaching of the National Language."

7. "That copies of the foregoing resolutions be forwarded to the Right Hon Arthur J. Balfour M.P. Treasury Whitehall, S.W. London; to Victor C. W. Cavendish M.P. Secretary Treasury, Whitehall S.W. London; to P. E. Lemass, Secretary National Board, Marlborough St. Dublin; to the Right

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Hon W. Long. M.P. Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle: and to the "Freemans Journal".

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

"That the resolutions be adopted and copies of same forwarded to the persons named".

Passed Unanimously

Resolutions exactly similar to the foregoing, received from the Executive of the Gaelic League Dublin, were also adopted.

When the minutes of the committee appointed to get the weighbridge repaired were read, a discussion took place respecting the person placed in charge by the tenant, during which several members expressed their dis-satisfaction with him, and it was ordered -

"That the tenant, Miss Maher, be informed the council are not satisfied with the man in charge of the Public weighbridge, and they require her to provide another person immediately"

The committee also agreed to have the weighbridge tested on following day, and Mr John S. Hearn kindly consented to lend the necessary weights.

Letters were received from the Gas Co stating that they intended opening the road outside Mr Dixon's Quay St, and the Mercy convent South St, but there was no order made.

A letter was received from Mrs M. J. Delaney, thanking the council for the vote of sympathy passed by them on the occasion of the death of her husband.

An application was received from James Glynn, one of the council's workmen, for a suit of oilclothes which, on the proposition of Mr David Murphy seconded by Mr J. S. Hearn, was granted.

A proposal was received from Jeremiah Corbett for the tenancy of the Scales on the quay at four pence per week and it was ordered to be accepted.

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Fair Gate,
New Ross, 8th November 1905.

Dear Sir/

With reference to my letter of the 11th ult, re houses situated at above address, and occupied by Patrick Kehoe,

I beg to draw your attention to same again, with reference to the said house formerly rented at 1/- per week, and raised to 2/- per week, owing to repairs done to same estimated to the amount of £12-0-0.

The rent to be again reduced to the former, when said amount was paid.

I now presume that this amount is over paid, since date of repairs December 14th 1900, which amount to £12-15-0 showing a balance of 15/- over paid.

Hoping you will give same your kind consideration.

I remain,

Yours Respectfully.
Patrick Kehoe.

The Finance Committee having investigated this application reported that they could not recommend a reduction (see report intered on these minutes) and it was accordingly Ordered "That Mr Kehoe be informed that owing to the large amount of money expended on his house, the Council regret they accede to his request for a reduction of his rent."

D. W & W'd Railway Co.
Dublin. 20th October 1905.

Dear Sir/

Referring to the interview between the Representatives of the New Ross Urban Council and our Chairman and Mr Tighe, on Friday last, I have pleasure in informing you that at their meeting, yesterday, my directors decided —

1. To run a special train from Waterford to New Ross at 6 A.M. upon Fair days.
2. To stop the up Mail train at Palace East upon Saturdays.
3. To put on an additional float for the delivery and collection of goods.

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4. To issue Market Tickets from Waterford and Alwardstown to New Ross upon Market days.

The question of discontinuing the issue of Market Tickets from Stations north of New Ross to Waterford, was deferred pending further enquiry.

Yours faithfully,
A. G. Reid.

During a discussion which took place on the reading of this letter it was stated by two, or three members that buyers from the South of Ireland and other parts of it, who cannot get to Waterford in time to catch the 5·15 P.M. from Waterford to New Ross are placed at a dis-advantage by having no train later than that, with the result that when they arrive in New Ross by the special which leaves Waterford at 6 A.M. on Fair mornings a good deal of stock have been bought by buyers who can travel to New Ross on the previous evening by the train referred to.

City Chambers,
Glasgow, 1st November 1905.

Dear Sir

Taxation of Land Values

At a Meeting of the committee appointed at previous conferences of Rating Authorities, which was held in London last week, it was arranged to convene another conference of Representatives of those Authorities, to be held in the Town Hall, Manchester, on Tuesday, 21st instant, at twelve oclock noon, and I am asked to request your Council to send representatives thereto.

You are doubtless aware that the Bills approved of by previous conferences have both obtained Second Readings (the English Bill on two occasions and the Scottish Bill on one occasion), and the conference committee are very desirous that further progress should be made with the measures during next Session of Parliament, and at the proposed conference they hope such steps may be taken as will ensure this result.

I shall be pleased to learn that your Council will be represented at the conference.

I am Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
John Bowers,
Town Clerk of Glasgow.

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Ordered

That the Town Clerk of Glasgow be informed the Council regret they will not be represented at the Conference of Rating Authorities on the 21st Inst, they are also very sorry that the Bills, approved of by previous Conferences, do not extend to Ireland.

Finance Committee Report

Your Finance Committee met to day and recommend payment of following accounts Viz:-

John Lobin	£12.. 10.. 0
Patrick Redmond	8.. 13.. 4
A.H. Tyndall	5.. 10.. 0
School Attendance Committee	15.. 9.. 11
Cashiers Bank of Ireland	62.. 4.. 3
same	46.. 11.. 3
same	24.. 19.. 10
M. J. Flynn Petty Cash	26.. 6.. 9
Thomas Byrne	4.. 6.. 8
Thomas Martin	15.. 0
Mrs Roche Ballyanne	78.. 12.. 0
Technical Committee	16.. 12.. 0
John J. Browne	4.. 13.. 2
same	16.. 2
W. & L. Hartrick	4.. 4.. 0

Re- Mrs Galavan's house, we recommend an estimate be received for repairs as specified by the Committee.

Re- Kehoe's application for reduction of rent, your Committee find a large sum of money has been expended on this house and cannot recommend any reduction. The rent of this house was reduced by three pence per week sometime ago.

Signed John S. Hearn J.P.
David Murphy

Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Wm. G. Williams

"That the report of the Finance Committee

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be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made".

Before this resolution was put Mr Roche inquired if Mr Byrne's Salary as Town Surveyor was included and on being informed that it was, proposed that it be not paid. Reference was made to the certificate from Dr. Hickey, sent by him, and it was ordered that Mr Byrne's salary as Town Surveyor for last month be not paid, as the Council are not satisfied with the certificate, received from Dr. Hickey, as to the cause of the mans absence from duty. This item was then struck out of the list of payments recommended to be made by the Finance Committee, and the resolution authorising payment of the remainder was passed Unanimously.

Mr John S. Hearn drew attention to the fact that no payment of Interest on the Purchase Money was yet made by the two tenants, Messrs Thorpe and Delaney, who had purchased their holdings and after discussion it was

Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Roche

That application be made for payment of the interest and if not paid within a week that Council's Solicitors be instructed to take legal proceedings for its recovery at once.

Passed Unanimously

Street Inspectors Report

The Street Inspector reported that he found the town fairly clean to-day, nearly all the mud has been removed from the streets. A new trap is required for the North East corner of South St outside Mr Delaney's, the present old grating is dangerous, he must report the man Maddock who drives the horse, which is permanently employed by the Council, this man will neither work himself, nor let the horse which he drives work, he have had to continually follow this man to try to get him to do something.

Ordered

That Mr Hogan be required to supply another man instead of Maddock who is not giving satisfaction.

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Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

"That Mr Butler be re-appointed for another month to superintend, and direct workmen engaged in Street maintenence at a salary of 12/- per week."

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk drew attention to the dangerous wall on Jone's Hill reported some time since and it was agreed that the Committee when visiting the houses in Wm St, inspect this wall and report upon it or if necessary, have repairs to it carried out in the meantime.

Ordered that advertisments be issued for a man and horse to work on the streets, the existing Contract having expired.

A discussion took place respecting the number of men permanent, and temporary, in the employment of the Council at present, and it was ordered that all the temporary men be dis-employed on following day and the paving of Street channels dis-continued, and also the Quarrying of stones in John St Quarry and that the two men L. Whelan and W. Duggan who are principally employed there get a week's notice on to-morrow, and that Tom Scanlon be continued in the employment to attend Andrew Barty instead of Martin Flynn.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

"That no officer be empowered to employ any "workmen in future on behalf of the Council, any men required are to be "employed by the Council themselves except in the case of urgency, when men "may be temporary employed for a few days, by the Clerk, who will be re-"sponsible to the Council for the employment of them"

Passed Unanimously

The following were appointed a Committee to investigate the whole question of Street metalling and report to the Council or give such directions in the meantime as may be necessary Viz:- Messrs John O'Sullivan, Wm F. Williams, and John S. Hearn J.P.

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The Town Surveyor reported that he resumed duty on the 30th ulto, he made an inspection of the roads and streets of the district, they are being cleaned and some metalling put out, the branch road at Chilcomb and hill of Rosbercon needs cleaning.

Where the drains were laid in the Irishtown there are a few objectionable and dangerous ridges over the line of pipes, these should be made level with the Street and as the ground sinks to be filled and kept level with the surface.

Thomas Byrne

Ordered

That Mr Butler get the ridges over the line of pipes at Irishtown, metalled as recommended by the Town Surveyor.

New Ross, November 8th 1905.

Gentlemen/

I beg leave to report that there has not been any wilful damage done to any of the Weekly Tenemant houses belonging to the Urban Council as far as I can see.

Tenants owing four weeks rent and arrears

John Hand	Weekly rent	2/6	19/3
John Cass	"	"	10/-
John Hanning	"	"	15/-
Miss Culleton	"	"	10/-
John Whitty	out of possession		13/6
Mary Canterbury	1/9 per week		8/6
Mary Doyle			8/6
T. Coghlan			8/-
Thomas Connick	out of possession		13/-
Miss Ryan	Church Lane		16/6
Edward Whitty	Hair Gate		10/6
James Norris	Holly House Lane		7/9
Ellen Donovan	"		12/6
Patk. Kiely	Ballaun		8/-

I am your obedient Servant,
John J. Browne,
Secretary.

No Order made

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 22nd November 1905 John J Hearn

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Monday 13th November 1905

A meeting of the Street bommittee was held this day at 11 oclock a.M. to investigate the whole question of Street metalling.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
Wm. G. Williams
and
John O'Sullivan

The Street Inspector was also in attendance

Reference was made to the quality of the metalling which is been put out on the bollege Road and which was not considerable durable enough, and it was suggested that perhaps the Surveyor intended having it sheeted with limestone metalling, and after some discussion it was decided to ask the Surveyor for the information of the bommittee what metalling, if any, he had intended getting put out on bollege Road, Mountgarrett Lane, and Rishtown, also the quality of same, as well as the probable quantity and quality required for the other streets and roads (specifying each) within the Urban District, also what steps have been taken to provide the necessary metalling.

It was agreed to employ W. Duggan, and L. Whelan, each of whom had received a week's notice, from day to day and also the temporary horse to assist in the metalling of the streets.

The bommittee also directed that proposals be invited for the road scrapings on Cherry road, Newtown, and Roslercon, from those who bought same on former occasions, after which they decided to adjourn until the information respecting the metalling of the streets would be obtained from the Town Surveyor, when the Clerk is to summon a meeting of the bommittee to consider matters further

John S. Hearn

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Monday 20th November

An adjourned meeting of the committee appointed to investigate the question of Street metalling was held this day at 11 oclock a.m.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
Wm. G. Williams
John and O'Sullivan

The Street Inspector and Town Surveyor were also present, the latter whom the following letter was received from, having been sent for.

New Ross.
17th November 1905.

Dear Sir.

In reply to yours of the 13th, I enclose a Schedule of the streets and roads of the district showing the lengths and quantity of material for the annual up keep.

With regard to the maintenance of the College road, Mountgarrett Lane, and Irishtown. I intended using a fair quantity of limestone metalling together with as much of an inferior quality as in my judgement would be necessary. As to the query "what steps have been taken to provide the necessary metalling". The council intend into a contract for the supply of stones and although I made complaints of the quantity being delivered little heed seemed to be taken.

Yours truly,
Thomas Byrne.

New Ross Urban District
Schedule of Streets and Roads

Perches	Cubic yds	Main Roads
361	361	of streets between the bounds at Brejwell and the bounds at Newtown, including Bridge St and Charles St.
396	250	of streets (Mary St, Quay St, Quay. from Bridge to Marsh Lane, Robert St, Michael St, Neville St, and Bewley St.

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Perches	Cubic yds	
		Main Roads
74	50	From Threebullet Gate to the Bounds
170	80	Waterford road from the Bridge to bounds (less portion of Railway road).
146	70	Street of Rosbercon
	811	
		District Roads
709	350	Back streets of New Ross
155	35	Bohern road
61	30	Cockpit Lane to cross of Irishtown
64	20	Poor House road
34	15	Nash road
35	10	from head of College Road to Bounds
113	15	School road Rosbercon
	475	
		Main Road
266	150	College road, Mountgarrett Lane and Irishtown to bounds (The quantity is intended for this year only).

The metalling to be limestone or other equally good, but when an inferior quality is used for filling a worn street or road a proportinate quantity to be used.

Thomas Byrne,
Town Surveyor.

The Street Inspector reported that he had twenty-two boatloads of limestones, in stock, and according to the Town Surveyor's Scheme forty-four more would be required. The Clerk reported that a man named Kavanagh of Enniscorthy called to the office to ascertain if the Council would contract for metalling as he supplies the Enniscorthy Urban Council and the Committee directed that officer to ascertain what his price, per ton, would be for a sample waggon or two.

They also directed the street Inspector to have metalling put out on Michael St, Bewley St, Mountgarrett Lane, and Greywell road, and the Clerk to write to Mrs Roche to forward limestones as quickly

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as possible, and to Patrick Carroll to bring Dunganstown Quarry stones.

Having agreed to make an inspection of the streets of the District on Wednesday 22nd Inst at 11 oclock A.M. if the weather is favourable, the meeting adjourned.

John L Keane

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Wednesday 22nd November 1905

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Presiding
Michael Freaney
Peter Murphy
and
Patrick Dunphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

A cheque for £14 ·· 2 ·· 9 was received from Patrick J. Delaney, and ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Michael Freaney and and the following Paying order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 1 M. J. Finn Petty Cash £26 ·· 17 ·· 5

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

Gleniffer,
25 Kenilworth Road,
Rathgar, Dublin.
November 14th 1905.

Dear Sir,

I beg to remind you that I have not yet been paid my fee of £9·9··0 for attending Court on behalf of the Council Hearn v Baird. A cheque from your Council will oblige.

Yours truly,
J. W. Gardner.

The order made on this letter appears on the Sanitary minutes

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No 65,433/1905
New Ross Urban Dist

Local Government Board, Dublin,
8th November, 1905.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th ultimo on the subject of the working of the Public Bodies order, 1904, in the Urban District of New Ross; and, with reference thereto, I am to state that the wages of the employees of the Council who are paid weekly may continue to be disbursed through the Petty Cash account.

The Board will raise no objection to the recoupment of this account fortnightly by the Council, if they so desire, or they may arrange to do so monthly by increasing the floating balance, it being presumed, however, that the security of the Town Clerk is adequate.

The Board desire me to point out that in any case the Council, and not the Finance Committee, should authorise the payments.

I am Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
H. Courtenay,
Assistant Secretary.

Ordered

That the Petty Cash account be re-couped Fortnightly instead of monthly.

No 70101 : 1905
New Ross Urban Dist

Local Government Board, Dublin,
16th November, 1905

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant, and in reply, to state that after due consideration the Board caused the several audit fees to be assessed on the New Ross Urban District Council, the Technical Instruction Committee, and the St Stephen's Cemetery Committee, respectively, by order under Seal.

The Board have already informed the last mentioned Committee that upon prompt payment of the fees already assessed they would direct an abatement to be made in the amount to be charged for the next audit.

With regard to the fees charged in respect of the accounts of the Council and the Technical Instruction Committee, the Board do not consider them too high and are not prepared to reduce them.

Accordingly, I am to request that a Paying order for £6.6.0, being

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the amount of the fee in regard to the audit of the Councils accounts for the year ended 31st. March last, may be remitted to this office forthwith.

I am Sir
Your Obedient Servant,
A. R. Barlas.
Secretary.

Ordered That the fee, £6-6-0 for auditing the accounts of the Council be paid at next Finance meeting, and the Board be informed accordingly.

No 166 M. 1905
Miscellaneous

Local Government Board,
Dublin, 20th. November, 1905.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward to you, herewith, to be laid before the Council of the New Ross Urban District, a copy of the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905 (5 Edw. 7. Ch 18); and I am to call the attention of the Council to the second paragraph of sub-section (1) of Section 2 of the Act, as applied to Ireland by Section 6.

It will be observed from this enactment that the Local Government Board may, upon receipt of an application from the Council, establish in their Urban District (the population of which, according to the last census is less than 10,000, but not less than 5,000) a Distress Committee of the Council for the purposes of the Act, with a similar constitution to that of a Distress Committee in London, and having the same duties and powers, so far as applicable, as are given by the Act to Distress Committees and Central Body in London.

The constitution of a London Distress Committee is set forth in Section (1) of the Act, and the powers and duties of such Committees and of the Central Body, are set forth in the remaining Sub-sections of that Section.

Under Sub-section (2) of Section 2 of the Act, the Local Government Board may also, on the application of the Council, or without such application, establish for the purposes of the Act in the County or part of the County in which the Urban District is situated, a Central Body and

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Distress bommittees with similar constitutions, duties, and powers to those of the bentral Body and Distress bommittees in London.

The Act will only continue in force for three years from the date of the passing thereof, unless Parliament otherwise determines.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
H. Courtenay,
Assistant Secretary.

A copy of the act was received and it was

Ordered

That it, and the foregoing letter be referred to the Finance bommittee for consideration at their next meeting.

No 110/16/1905
Miscellaneous

Local Government Board, Dublin,
16th November 1905.

Sir/

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward, to be laid before the Urban District Council, the enclosed draft copy of an order which the Board propose to make amending their order of the 21st March 1899, and the 29th April, 1899; and I am to state that the Board would be glad to be furnished with the observations of the Urban District Council thereon, and any suggestions they may desire to offer.

I am Sir.
Your Obedient Servant
A.R. Barlas.
Secretary.

The draft copy of the order referred to, was received but the Council did not deem it necessary to make any order upon it.

County Council Offices.
Wexford, 8th November 1905.

Main Roads Scheme

Sir,

I beg to inform you that at the meeting of my Council yesterday, the

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following Resolution was adopted –

That there be no main roads in the bounty from 31st. March, 1906.

Yours Obediently,
W. H. Pigott.
bo Secretary.

That this be referred to the Finance Committee for report.

Bridge St,
New Ross, 22nd. November 1905.

Dear Sir,

Some time ago I went Security with the Council for the rent of a man named Patrick Keily, who was then in our employment. He has since gone to Messrs P. J. Roche & Sons. I should feel much obliged if it could be arranged that they would take over the responsibility, as I do not care to be surety for a man with whoom I have no connection whatever.

faithfully yours,
J. S. Power.

Ordered

That Patrick Keily be required to provide another Surety instead of Mr Power and that the latter be informed he will be relieved of all responsibility under his Bond as soon as a new Bond is perfected with Keily and another Surety.

A proposal was received from Mrs Lawler of 7/6, for road scrapings at Foundry Roslercon and on the proposal of Mr Murphy Seconded by Mr Dunphy it was accepted.

A proposal of 3/-, received from Miss Aselford for road scrapings on Branch road at Railway Boundary was also accepted.

Bullawn,
New Ross, November 22nd. 1905.

Gentlemen,

As the suit of oil clothes which you supplied me with (now three

years since) are worn out, and as I have to work in all kinds of weather, I respectfully ask that you will kindly supply me with a new suit.

Thanking you for past favours.

I remain Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
Valentine Whitty.

Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Freaney

"That Valentine Whitty be supplied with a suit of oilclothes"

Passed Unanimously

Tenders were received from Messrs Thomas Hogan Mary St. and Philip Hartley Quay, for the supply of a temporary horse and man for the performance of work on the streets whenever required, the former at 3/6 per day, and gave as Sureties Messrs Michall Walsh, Mount Elliott and Michael Dunphy Irishtown, and the latter at 3/10 and after as sureties Messrs John Redmond and James Sutton.

Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Freaney

"That Mr Hogan's tender be accepted".

Passed Unanimously

Letters were received from the Chief Secretary, and the Secretaries of National Education, acknowledging receipt of the resolutions adopted by the Council, at last meeting.

Street Inspectors Reports

The Street Inspector reported on the condition of the town each day since last meeting. On the whole the reports showed that the streets were not kept in anything like a clean state during the past fortnight. They were not scraped, or swept regularly, and heaps of mud allowed to accumulate.

The new metal frame of grating on High Hill, has been broken, but by whom he could not say. Mr Bryan Hennessy is in the habit of placing machinery

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in the lane leading from South St to Hill School, and states he has a perfect right to put it there. The Newcastle Tea Co are also in the habit of placing boxes on the street.

James Lee has been in the habit of getting the road scrapings at upper Rosbercon for a number of years, and he (Street Inspector) desired to know if he may permit Lee to have them still. The road was scraped and the mud collected into a heap by the Council's men.

Ordered

That the Contractor be directed to have the streets swept with the sweeping machine, and the mud removed immediately, and not be permitted to remain in the water channels, and that he also have the street crossings swept regularly, also that Bill Scanlon sweep the crossings from the Thotsel to opposite side of streets.

There was no order made respecting the new metal frame which was broken as the meeting was of opinion that it would serve its purpose for a considerable time in its present condition.

That a copy of the resolution passed by the Council relative to the placing of machinery on the streets, so as to be an obstruction, be sent to Mr Hennessy and that he be requested to discontinue placing the machinery there otherwise the Council will have to take proceedings against him, and that the Newcastle Tea Co be also informed that if they do not discontinue placing boxes on the street they will be prosecuted.

That the road scrapings referred to which has been collected by the Council's men be sold, and that James Lee be informed that in future if he wishes to cart away the mud when scraped by the Council's men, he may do so.

The Clerk reported that, at last meeting, the tenant of the Weighbridge was ordered to place another person in charge of it instead of the present man, but she has not done so, and remarked that no complaints reached her of it.

Ordered

That Miss Maher be informed if she does not comply with the

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order of the bouncil they will take the necessary steps to obtain possession of the weighbridge.

The blerk also reported that Mrs Thorpe called to the office and stated that her husband hoped to be able to pay the Interest on the purchase money, as requested by the bouncil, in about two weeks, and it was agreed to grant this extension of time.

Mrs Thorpe to be informed that they will require him to pay the entire amount due 29th September 1905, then.

The blerk also stated that, as ordered at last meeting, he interviewed several cattle bruyers on last fair day in reference to the necessity for a late train from Waterford the evening before each fair. He saw bruyers from Belfast, Drogheda, Warren point, &c also from bork, Limerick and towns in the South.

All of them agreed in saying that it would be very desirable to have a late train from Waterford on the eve of each fair. By the time they get to the fair by travelling on early train the morning of it, a good deal of buriness is done by bruyers who can get into New Ross by the 5.15 P.M. train from Waterford the previous evening. The result is, that the same competition does not, or cannot, exist on the fair, when the large number of bruyers who travel by the early train cannot reach the fair before that time. The bruyers from the North of Ireland do not get into Waterford until nearly 10 oclock, whilst these from the South arrive about 8 P.M. so that to suit the former the train should not leave until about 10.30.

The meeting was of opinion that this would be too late, and that those bruyers from the South arriving in Waterford about 8 oclock would remain over for two hours and then travel to New Ross. They would probably remain in Waterford over night if they should wait two hours for a train to New Ross.

After some discussion it was agreed to ask the Railway bo to run a train to New Ross the evening before each fair for the convenience of bruyers attending from the South of Ireland, and leaving Waterford about 8 P.M. It was also pointed out that bruyers from the north of Ireland could arrange to travel so as to catch the 2.45 P.M. train from Harcourt St.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 6th December 1905

James J Holloran

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Friday 24th November 1905

The committee appointed to investigate the whole question of street metalling met this day.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
Wm. G. Williams

They proceeded to inspect Michael St, Windmill Lane, Nunnery Lane, part of Irishtown, Mongarrett Lane, and College Road. They directed the Street Inspector to have College Road, and Mongarrett Lane sheeted with limestones, as soon as they can be obtained and broken.

As the quantity of limestones broken, and unbroken, in stock, is totally insufficient, they directed the Clerk to write again to the contractor to deliver them as promptly as possible; and also to invite tenders for the supply of some from Mrs Carr New Ross, and Mr Cunningham Grannagh.

They also directed the street Inspector to set the large heap of Quarry stones in Windmill Lane, to be broken by one, or any number of men, at per load, but not employ them by the day, and have them broken as quickly as possible, as they require to be out for metalling at once.

The meeting adjourned

James J. Norman

Monday 4th December 1905

Monthly meeting day.

No attendance of members

The meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 6th December 1905

James J. Norman

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Wednesday 6th. December 1905

An adjourned meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs James J. Glynman Presiding
Joseph Roche
John Murphy
David Murphy
and
Wm. Ly. Williams

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and Joseph Roche and the following Paying order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 2	M. J. Finn	New Ross	£28 . 3 . 3

The following letters were submitted to the meeting

St. Johns,
Enniscorthy, 24th. November 1905.

Dear Sir,

I am thankful for your enquiry re stones: I am at present negotiating with the Railway Co. for a special rate to all Stations on their line and I am expecting the matter finally settled in a few days, and I will then send you on a quotation for any quantity you may require.

I may mention I have been working the quarry for the past five years, and the stone has been tested on the streets of Enniscorthy, and on some of the worst roads leading into the town including the Scarawalsh road, and is proved to be first quality, and most suitable for steamfolling, and there is no greasy surface consequently no danger of slipping as is the case where limestone is used.

Yours faithfully,
Edward Kavanagh.

No order made pending receipt of quotations, some members stating that they would be opposed to depriving those, who break the stones at present, of employment.

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County Council Offices,
Wexford, 5th December 1905.

Sir,

Please inform me if you have lodged according to the terms of Form 51, quarterly amount of your Demand, on or before the 1st Inst.
If you have not done so, please have lodgment made at once.

Yours obediently,
W. H. Pigott.
County Secretary.

Ordered

That the Secretary be informed the quarter's Demand referred to will be paid at the next Finance meeting of the Council to be held on 13th Inst.

a letter was received from the Gas Co stating that they intend opening the road in Priory St for the purpose of repairing supply pipe.

No Order made

a letter was received from Messrs Helys Ltd quoting price of "Salter" Typewriter and cover at £15-4-0, and offering to send the machine on a week's trial if the Council wishes, but as the meeting did not consider it likely that a Typewriter would be purchased for the office, at present, directed the Clerk to inform Messrs Helys that, under the circumstances, no advantage would be gained by having the machine sent on trial.

General Post Office, Dublin.
2nd December 1905.

Sir,

With reference to previous correspondence which has passed between you and the District Post office Surveyor with a view to the partial closing of the lane which adjoins the New Ross Post office, I am directed by the Postmaster General to enquire under what statutory powers the New Ross District Council propose to make the necessary lease to the Department. I am also to state that the lease of the present Post office premises is 150 years from 1st day May 1903, and that it would be convenient if the lane could be leased for the same period, but if not, no

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doubt, the Council will say what is the longest term they will give. It is understood that a nominal rent of 2/6 should be paid by the Department.

As regards the removal of the pump in the lane to another position I am to enquire whether the Council will arrange with their own Contractor to do the work, the cost to be defrayed by the Post office.

I am Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Secretary

This letter was not read, or considered, and will consequently come before next meeting.

A proposal was received from Michael Rice of 5/= for heap of road scrapings at Bosheen and it was ordered to be accepted.

A proposal was received from Mrs Barr for supplying limestones at 47/= per boatload.

The Clerk reported that the Committee, appointed to deal with the question of street metalling, had directed him to ask Mrs Barr for a quotation and this letter was in reply. He also stated that Mr John S. Hearn who was Chairman of the Committee at their last meeting directed him to order four boatloads from Mrs Barr at this price provided she deliver them within ten days as the stones were wanted badly, and it was

Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That the purchase of those four boatloads of lime-stones at 47/= each be approved of".

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk also reported that the period for which the Street Inspector was appointed to take charge of the men engaged in Street maintenence expired on to-day and after some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

"That Mr Butler be re-appointed for another month to take charge of the men engaged in Street maintenence at 12/= per week salary"

Passed Unanimously

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Street Inspectors Report

The Street Inspector reported that he inspected the town daily and found, on some days a great accumulation of mud on the streets, and that the heaps have been allowed to remain until they are scattered about either by rain or traffic. On other days he found the streets swept but the mud was not removed. Mud is also still being dumped against the wall in Victoria Place, and on the Waterford road. The machinery &c has not been removed from Brennan's Lane.

Ordered

That the Clerk call on the Contractor and request him to have the mud removed off the Street as soon as it is swept and not allow it to get into the channel and that he also remove the scrapings from Victoria Place and the Waterford road, so that the outlets for the water may not be interfered with.

The Street Inspector was called before the meeting in reference to street obstruction and metalling of streets, and he reported that the Newcastle Lea Co, although it was not reported in his book, were causing an obstruction by depositing goods &c on the streets.

Ordered

That the Council's Solicitors be instructed to take legal proceedings against the Newcastle Lea Co, and Mr Bryan Hennessy for Street obstruction.

That the Street Inspector be authorized to employ an extra man and horse to put out metalling &c until next meeting, also a man to open the ground for the gas manager to lay pipes to new lamps in Michael St and Maiden Lane.

The Clerk stated that Walter Cleere called to the office and informed him that he would deliver limestones at the same price as the Contractor Viz:- £2..7..0 and it was agreed that some be ordered from him if necessary.

A letter was received from Mrs Carr agreeing to deliver four boatloads of limestones at price quoted within ten days.

No order made

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 13th. December 1905

J. S. Hearn

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Wednesday 13th December 1905

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 4·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider what arrangements, if any, should be made for the scavenging of the town on the expiration of the present contract which terminates on the 11th January 1906.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Chairman Presiding
John S. Hearn J.P.
David Murphy
John Hand
John O'Sullivan
Wm J. Williams
Peter Murphy
John Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
and
James J. O'Gorman

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Hand and Wm J. Williams and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 3	Thomas Byrne	New Ross		£ 8 · 13 · 4
" 4	John J. Browne			6 · 11 · 9
" 5	Andrew Cullen			31 · 17 · 10
" 6	Alexander Thom & Co	Dublin		2 · 9
" 7	New Ross Gas Co	New Ross		82 · 15 · 5
" 8	Jonas Hartrick			1 · 18 · 0
" 9	Borough Treasurer	Kilkenny		10 · 9
" 10	Cashiers Bank of Ireland			13 · 1
" 11	Garrett A. Hickey M.D.			7 · 10 · 0
" 12	Patrick Carroll	Raheen	New Ross	4 · 13 · 0
" 13	Hugh R. Hamilton J.P.	New Ross		5 · 18 · 6
" 14	William O'Connor M.D.			9 · 0 · 0
" 15	Treasurer Co Council	Wexford		315 · 0 · 11
" 16	John Tobin			3 · 2 · 6
" 17	Philip Hartley			1 · 0 · 0

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No 18	M. J. Finn New Ross	£25 .. 0 .. 0
" 19	same	16 .. 11 .. 6
" 20	Michael Hunt Dunganstown, New Ross	1 .. 19 .. 8
" 21	Mrs E. W. Carr	8 .. 19 .. 9
" 22	Thomas Byrne	8 .. 0 .. 0

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

Irish Education Act 1892

Office of National Education,
Dublin 7th December 1905.

Sir,

The Local Authority of the Urban District of New Ross having appointed one half of the School Attendance Committee for the place for the period of three years from 1st January 1906, the Commissioners of National Education have, under the powers conferred upon them by the Act, 1892, decided that the remaining half shall consist of the following persons Viz:-

1 Peter A. Pope
2 Very Revd. J. Canon Holohan, P.P.
3 Revd. James Prandy, C.C.
4 P. Bolger J.P.
5 Martin Doherty

The Entire Committee will consist accordingly of the following Members:-

By whom appointed	Names &c	Place of residence
By Local Authority	Very Revd. Canon Cavanagh P.P. D.D	South St New Ross
	Very Revd. R. Y. Heatly D.D	Roslercon New Ross
	Revd. Thomas Quigley C.C.	South St New Ross
	John Hegan	Charles St New Ross
	John S. Hearn J.P.	Bawnjames New Ross
By Commissioners of National Education	Peter A. pope	New Ross
	Very Revd. J. Canon Holohan P.P.	Roslercon New Ross
	Revd. James Prandy C.C.	New Ross
	P. Bolger J.P.	New Ross
	Martin Doherty	New Ross

No Order made

I am Sir
your obedient Servant.
P. E. Lemass. Secretary,

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No 44437/1905
New Ross Urban Dist

Local Government Board, Dublin,
7th December 1905.

Sir,

With reference to the inquiry contained in your letter of the 2nd Inst relative to the Collection Returns in the New Ross Urban District, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to state that the return should be made up to the last Saturday of each month, except the months of September and March, when it should be made to the last day of such months.

I am Sir,
your obedient Servant
H. Courtenay.
Assistant Secretary.

The Clerk stated that he had attended to this letter, and there was no further order made.

A letter received from the Post office Authorities relative to the closing and leasing of Back Lane which was submitted to last meeting was considered and after some discussion it was

Ordered

That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to consider advisability of leasing this Lane to the Post office Authorities and upon what terms.

Reference having been made to the death of Mr Bryan Hennessy, who was a member of the Old Town Commissioners, the following resolution was
Proposed by Mr O'Gorman and
Seconded by Mr Patrick Murphy

"That we hereby desire to place on record our deep "sorrow at the death of Mr Bryan Hennessy, a respected fellow-citizen, and former "member of the New Ross Town Commissioners, and that we tender to his sorrowing "wife, and children, the expression of our sincere condolence in the great affliction "with which they have been visited.

Passed in Silence

A circular letter was received from the Waterford and South-East of Ireland Arch —

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aeological Society stating that a strong and influential Committee has been formed for revival of the Societys Quarterly Journal, also setting forth the objects of the Society and soliciting subscriptions to the Journal, but as the funds of the Council could not legally be applied for such a purpose there was no order made.

Bullawn,
6th December 1905.

Dear Sir,

Nearly two years ago I petitioned your Council for some repairs to my house and understood that the Borough Surveyor was to attend to same at once. Iam sorry to say it has not been done yet and the Winter is on again, and my house is in a bad way. I hope you can see your way to have it attended to at once and oblige.

Yours faithfully,
Michael Curran.

Ordered

That the Sanitary Sub-officer ascertain from competent tradesmen if they are willing to carry out the repairs on this house specified by the Town Surveyor for the amount estimated by him and if so to get the work specified done.

The following resolution received from The Lisburn Urban District Council was adopted.

"That the Council respectfully request the Local Government Board to issue an Order to enable this Board to obtain a yearly rebate for moneys paid the County Council in respect of Property proven to have been vacant or otherwise unremunerative to the Lisburn Urban Council, or, in the alternative, to grant relief in some other way".

A proposal was received from Mr David Hunt Rosbercon, of 3/= for heap of road scrapings from Cross of School House Road to Boundary at Aselfords and it was ordered to be accepted.

An influentially signed requisition was received from Mrs Mary Bloney Irishtown recommending her for admission to Trinity Hospital and stating that she would be grateful for the use of a room there and would not expect any pension.

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Ordered That this recommendation be filed with the others received, to be considered with them, when a vacancy arises, and that in the meantime the Clerk write to Mr Hamilton Secretary to the Hospital and ascertain if deserving persons, recommended by the Council, will be granted the use of rooms in the Hospital and if so, to ask all the other applicants if they would desire to be recommended for the use of a room without pension.

A notification was received from the Gasco of their intention to open the ground in Victoria Place for the purpose of renewing supply pipe, but there was no order made.

Applications were received for the tenancy of a house in Holly House Lane, about to be vacated by Thomas Butler, from Edward Murphy Bewley St, John Steacy of Church Lane and Anne Byrne of Mary St all of whom offered suitable sureties for the rent. The two former had lodged the four weeks rent required by resolution of the Council but Mrs Byrne had not done so.

Edward Murphy was proposed by Mr D. Murphy and Seconded by Mr O'Sullivan, whilst John Steacy was proposed by the Chairman and Seconded by Mr Williams.

On a poll being taken there voted for Murphy Messrs Hand, D. Murphy, J.S. Hearn, O'Sullivan and P. Murphy ——— 5

For Steacy Messrs Williams, O'Gorman, Dunphy and the Chairman, 4

Mr John Murphy was absent during this division. the Chairman declared Murphy elected as tenant.

Messrs James Flynn and Laurence Butler applied for the tenancy of the house on the Bullawn, neither deposited the four weeks rent, and it was ordered that the house be advertised again.

The Clerk submitted the water rent book for year ending 31st July 1906 to be signed and sealed, so as to enable the rent to be collected, and the following resolution authorizing the sealing was

Proposed by John S. Hearn and

Seconded by John O'Sullivan

"That the Water rent book for the collection of Water rent for year ending 31st July 1906, be signed by two members of the Council and the Chairman and be also sealed and countersigned by the Clerk."

Passed Unanimously

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In accordance with the foregoing resolution the book was duly signed and sealed.

Report of Finance bommittee

The Finance bommittee met to day and recommend the payment of under-mentioned (see list at commencement of minutes).

Dr Obonnor's account for attending Petty Sessions Court we defer pending particulars of cases he gave evidence in.

Thomas Byrne's account for salary stopped in years 1901, 1902, 1903, we refer this to the bouncil before payment is ordered. Mr Hogan's Contract terminates on 11th January and we recommend be not renewed and arrangements be made that the bouncil carry out the work. Weekly tenants rents a number of which very much overdue and the bollector should be ordered to collect same promptly.

Letters "Unemployed act" adjourned to next Finance meeting.

Signed

John S. Hearn
David Murphy

November 13th 1905

Proposed by the bhairman and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy

"That the report of the Finance bommittee be adopted, except the paragraph referring to Mr Hogan's bontract, and the payments recommended by them be made, also that the salary withheld from the Surveyor as per Account furnished be paid".

Passed Unanimously

It was ordered that the Paying order to the Surveyor for this amount be handed to Mr David Murphy with a view to obtaining payment of Mr O'Brien's fee.

bollectors Report

New Ross, December, 13th 1905.

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to report the following tenants owing one months rent and more Viz:- John Hand £1 .. 2 .. 9

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Thomas Dunne		£0 .. 13 .. 6
John Fanning		10 .. 0
John Whitty (out of possession)		13 .. 6
Mary Canterbury		10 .. 3
Thomas Connick (out of possession)		13 .. 0
Timothy Coghlan		8 .. 9
Anne Ryan		15 .. 9
Edward Whitty		9 .. 9
Ellen Donovan	Holly House Lane	16 .. 3
Patrick Keilly	Bullawn	13 .. 3

There is slates of Patrick Kehoe's house Irishtown, since last March, Mrs Johnson William St, require latch on street door. Mrs Brennan Holly House Lane, require a new lock on Street door, Mrs Quigley and John Hand William St require their doors replaced on the ashpits.

Yours Obedient Servant,
John J. Browne.
Collector.

As the arrears of rent referred to was dealt with in the Report of the Finance Committee there was no order made upon this matter, nor upon the repairs reported as necessary.

The Clerk stated that the District Manager of the Newcastle Co be called to the office and promised that in future no goods would be deposited on the streets, nor an obstruction caused in any other way and, under the circumstances, it was ordered that in future legal proceedings be stayed, any expenses incurred up to the present to be paid by the Company.

The Clerk reported that Mr Hogan's Contract for the scavenging of the town will terminate on the 10th January 1906.

A very lengthened discussion took place as to the advisability of having the work done by Contract, or by direct labour in future, and it was decided to summon the members of the Council to consider this at next meeting, advertisments to be issued in the meantime, inviting proposals for the scavenging of the streets, and removal of mud, &c, for one year, tenders to be received by next meeting for the scavenging of the whole town, or for districts, that object being to enable the Council to judge of the possibility, from the number and business capacity of those who would tender, of getting the work done satisfactorily by Contractor.

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Street Inspectors Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he inspected the town daily and on some days found the streets and crossings, very dirty with a great accumulation of mud, whilst a slight improvement was noticeable on other days. Under date of the 12th Inst he reported that persons are complaining to me about the slippery state of the footpaths on Sunday morning, now the footpaths, in the majority of cases, were washed down on Saturday night as usual, but the streets, and crossings, being so dirty that persons crossing from one side of a street to the other, carried mud on their boots on to the footpaths. The only remedy that he can suggest at present is, that the occupiers of houses do not clean outside their premises until after 11 oclock P.M. on saturdays, (when the traffic will have ceased) or, that they be compelled to clean them on Sunday mornings when necessary. The south wall of the gullet at Dunphy's corner, Quay St, is broken down and would require to be repaired at once. The grating at High Hill opposite Augustinian Church is completely broken, the top is at present down in the built trap, he had to cover this place with plank to prevent an accident.

He had to dismiss one of the extra men which he put on to open the ground for new gas at Michael St, as he did not come to his work yesterday until 10 oclock and the same this morning. The other extra man is gone away, he put two of our own men at the work. He employed an extra horse this week as ordered by the Council, the cheapest he could get was 4/6 per day for man and horse, from Mr Philip Hartley Quay, he gave Mr Hogan preference, but the horse he sent would not stand while the cart was being loaded.

Thomas Butler

The Street Inspector was present during the reading of the reports and the Chairman asked him if the reports in reference to footpaths had been written after he (Chairman) was speaking to him about them, but that officer did not give a definite, or satisfactory reply. The Chairman complained that the Street Inspector was not getting the footpaths kept clean opposite houses, by the occupiers, or owners, and some members thoroughly agreed with the Chairman. The dirty state of the footpath around the Tholsel, especially on Sundays, was commented very strongly on, and it was eventually ordered that the Street Inspector get Bill Scanlon to wash this particular portion of the footpaths about six oclock on Saturday evenings and that he endeavour, by persuasion, to induce all occupiers of houses to

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cleanse the footpaths opposite their premises regularly, and in the event of any persons refusing, or neglecting to do so, he is to report them to the Council for further instructions.

That he also get the wall of the gullet at Dunphy's corner repaired.

The temporary employment of Mr Hartley's man and horse at 4/6 per day, as ordered at last meeting, was approved of, and he was authorized to continue him for a few days more, but not to re-employ any extra men

The Clerk reported that Mr Thorpe called, and desired him to inform the Council that he saw a reasonable prospect of being able to pay the interest on the purchase money in a short time, but if he found himself unable to do so, he intended to dispose of his interest in the farm, subject to the present charges upon it. After a short discussion it was

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr O'Sullivan

"That our Solicitors be instructed to take legal proceedings against Mr Thorpe for recovery of the interest due on purchase money to 29th September 1905."

Passed Unanimously

It was agreed that the Chairman and Mr John Murphy meet on Monday evening to consult on matters in connection with the issuing of advertisments for the Street scavenging, and also to obtain all the information if possible respecting the advisability of having the scavenging carried out by Contract.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 27th December 1905

J. Gourley

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Wednesday 27th. Deamber 1905

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider advisability of closing Back Lane and leasing it to the Post office authorities, and upon what conditions; to decide upon re-appointment, or otherwise, of the Street Inspector to take charge of men engaged in street maintenence, also to consider advisability of re-entering into a bontract for the scavenging &c of the streets, and consider tenders for same, should any be received, or of having them scavenged and by direct labour.

Present Messrs James G. Dooley Presiding
John S. Hearn J.P.
John Hand
John Hanning
John Meehan
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
David Murphy
James J. Ofsorman
John Murphy
and
Patrick Dunphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurer's authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Hand, and John Hanning, and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 23 M. J. Finn Petty Cash £28 .. 15 .. 8

The letter received from the Post office authorities respecting the leasing of Back Lane and which is entered on the minutes of 13th Inst was first considered and after some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Meehan

"That the lane be not leased to the Post office authorities" or closed."

Passed Messrs Ofsorman, and J. S. Hearn, voting against.

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Mr Roche referred to the letter receiver which is placed on the lamp "pillar at Foxe's Corner Quay" and instanced a particular case of serious obstruction which he witnessed. He handed in the following "Notice of Motion" Viz:— At next meeting of this Council I will move "that the Letter receiver on the lamp post at the end of Sugar House Lane be removed to a more suitable place"

the following correspondence was read Viz:—

Estate office,
New Ross, 16th December, 1905.

Trinity Hospital

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of yours of this date. At the next meeting of the Governing Body of the above institution Institution I will bring your communication before them.

Yours faithfully,
Hugh R. Hamilton.

No Order made

Technical Instruction Committee,
New Ross Urban District,
New Ross, 26th December 1905.

Dear Sirs,

My Committee have under consideration the question of erecting a Technical Instruction Institute in the Urban District, and have asked me to make inquiries as to site, ways and means of financing the Scheme, etc.

With regard to site, I am to ask your Council whether you could let the Committee have a suitable site in a well-lighted, central part of the town, and at what terms - nominal we expect.

The cost of the proposed building may be anywhere between £300 and £400, and as the Committee have no funds for the purpose they will need to seek a Loan, repayment to come out of their annual income. Perhaps, here again, your Council can facilitate us by negotiating the Loan, the Committee not being entitled to undertake that formality. You will kindly let me have your answer on this point also.

The proposal, if carried out, will not impose anything extra on the rates.

Yours faithfully,
Edward Long.
Secretary.

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Ordered

That the consideration of this letter be adjourned to next meeting, the members of the Council to be summoned to consider it.

General Post Office, Dublin,
13th December 1905.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 9th instant, I am directed by the Postmaster General to enquire whether the Contractor for the New Ross Post office has arranged with the Urban District Council as proposed relative to the old flags removed from the pathway opposite the new Post office.

As regards the maintenance of the concrete footpath I am to express regret that any change was made before the Council's sanction had been obtained for it, and to explain that as the footpath is not on Post office property it would appear to the Department to be a further encroachment on the powers and duties of the Council if the Post office were to take charge of the path. As already pointed out the new path is so constructed as not likely to need any repairs for a considerable time, and in the circumstances it is hoped the Council will not further object to maintain it in common with the other footpaths in the town.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
P. A. Egerton.
Secretary.

Ordered

That the Surveyor report to next meeting the probable value of the flags removed from the footpath in Charles St, opposite the New Post office, and that he also report upon the present condition of the existing concrete footpath there and also as to its durability in comparison with the flagged path which existed there previous to the building of the Post office.

Cross Lane,
New Ross, 14th December 1905

Dear Sir,

If you are not paid 13/6 for which you sent me the bill for rent due by T. Dunne by Saturday morning, please let me know so that I may pay it, I

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now beg to inform you that I shall not be responsible any longer for him.

Yours faithfully.
Mary Kelly.

Ordered

That Thomas Dunne, the tenant for whom Mrs Kelly is surety, be required to provide another in her place, and that Mrs Kelly be informed the Council will relieve her of liability under the existing Bond as soon as a new surety has been provided and another Bond perfected.

Mrs Hennessy wrote acknowledging the vote of sympathy passed by the Council on the death of her husband.

A notification was received from the Gas Co. of their intention to open the ground on the Quay, opposite Messrs Zimber Bros., but there was no order made.

The following resolution, received from the Urban District Council of Blackrock, was, upon the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, Seconded by Mr O'Gorman, unanimously adopted Viz:-

"That this Council respectfully request the Chancellor of the
"Exchequer to have a Royal Commission appointed to enquire into and report
"upon the principle and practice of Income Tax as at present levied, and
"that meantime a simplification of the forms for Returns of Income Tax be
"introduced."

Dunganstown,
December 27th 1905.

Dear Sir,

Please ask the Council to get the stones drew away. There is a large heap quarried and delivered on the quay now, and I must pay the men for quarrying them. Patrick Carroll says he has not time to draw them.

Yours truly,
Michael Hunt.

Ordered

That the Clerk ascertain from one or two other boatmen if they will bring the stones from Dunganstown to New Ross for the same freight as the present Contractor, and if so to employ them.

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A proposal was received from Patrick Carroll for the supply of a boatload of St Mullins gravel and on the motion of Mr David Murphy, Seconded by Mr Meehan it was accepted.

Henry St,
New Ross, December 19th 1905.

Dear Sir,

I herewith return your cheque value £8..19..9 as I cannot accept it in payment of account for limestones. I agreed verbally to supply four boatloads of limestones at seventeen tons each which I did. You have deducted 8/3 for 3 tons limestones which your officer alleges were short.

Now as I know for a fact that these stones were not weighed but drawn off the quay in cartloads. Your officer did not act justly in deducting three tons as being short.

There was nobody to superintend the cartage and you know that the carter could as easily put 15 cwt of stones in a cart as a ½ ton.

I shall thank you to remit full amount £9..8..0.

Yours faithfully,
Grace A. Carr.

The Street Inspector was called before the meeting and questioned as to how he arrived at the conclusion that there were only fourteen tons in the boatload of stones, he having certified only that quantity.

He stated, in reply, that he had two cart loads weighed and filled the remaining carts similar to those weighed. The meeting, after considerable discussion, was of opinion that they could not successfully defend an action at law for the recovery of the balance of the amount as the Street Inspector should have refused to accept delivery of the quantity, as a seventeen ton load, or have it all weighed.

accordingly it was

Proposed by Mr Meehan and
Seconded by Mr Hearn

"That the balance of Mrs Carr's account furnished for stones, amounting to 8/3 be paid at next Finance meeting of the Council".

Passed Unanimously

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It was also ordered that if the Street Inspector thinks the full quantity is not in any boatload, he be empowered to have it weighed in future.

United Irish League

39 Upper Oconnell St.
Dublin, 22nd December 1905.

Dear Sir

In virtue of the power conferred upon the National Directory of the United Irish League by Rules X and XI of the constitution. I hereby summon a Divisional Convention to be held in Town Hall Wexford, on Friday 29th Decr. at 1.30 oclock for the selection of a Parliamentary candidate to fill the vacant seat in South Wexford and in accordance with the same Rules I enclose with this Delegates' cards, to be used by Delegates appointed to represent at the Divisional Convention the body of which you are Secretary.

You are requested to write on each card the name of the Delegate by whom it is to be used, and to make it known that no one will be allowed to enter the Hall or take part in the proceedings of the convention without one of these cards on which his name is written.

Yours faithfully,
Joseph Devlin.
Secretary.

A lengthened discussion took place as to whether the delegates to be appointed should be required to support the candidature of a particular candidate who might be agreed upon by the Council, and it was eventually decided that in case both candidates were willing to sign the usual pledge, the delegates were to be permitted to use their own discretion as to which candidate they should vote for.

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

"That Messrs Meehan, O'Gorman, Hanning, and the Chairman of the Council be appointed delegates to attend the convention and in case the Chairman cannot go that Mr Hand be substituted".

Passed Unanimously

Mr Hanning drew attention to the condition of the street channel opposite Mr Harrell's premises in Bowley St, and it was ordered that the Town Surveyor

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report upon it and advise as to some means of remedying the defect complained of.

Town Surveyor's Report

The Street traps you have in stock would be too large to set in the foot-way at the bridge. I would suggest two of Longe + Jaggarts yard gully traps with 4" outlet, 12" x 12" x 12½, price 15/= each delivered to Rail or banal, Dublin. The trap is marked D on sheet of illustration.

The removing of two old ones, cleaning up, and setting and should not be much probably 15/-. It would be well to write to the Railway bo to have their road in Rosbercon metalled up.

There is not sufficient work being done for proper up keep of the streets and outlying roads. I called attention some time ago to a heap of refuse put out in Marsh Lane blocking the water table, it has not been removed yet.

Thomas Byrne

Ordered

That three traps as specified in the report of the Town Surveyor be ordered from Messrs Longe + Jaggart.

That the Railway bo be written to and asked to have the diverted road in Rosbercon metalled and the footpath put in a proper state of repair.

The Chairman drew attention to the condition of the footpath in Rosbercon, from about opposite the Church to Bawnjames Road, and it was ordered that the street Inspector get the large stones in it broken off, and levelled, and gravel put on it.

Proposed by Mr Meehan and
Seconded by Mr Glorman

"That the Council's employees Viz:- Flynn, Whitty, Duggan, Whelan, Scanlon, and Mrs O'Brien be allowed 5/- each for extra cleansing of streets &c for Christmas".

Passed Unanimously

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The consideration of the reports of the Street Inspector was adjourned to next meeting, as the meeting had been somewhat protracted it was considered too late to take up the consideration of the question of the scavenging of the town for the ensuing year, and some other business, which the meeting had been summoned to consider, but as the existing contract expires on the 11th Proc ~~Inst~~, it was thought better not to defer the consideration of the question to next meeting, and it was accordingly ordered that this meeting be adjourned to Friday 29th Inst at 8 oclock P.M. to consider advisability of re-entering into a contract for the scavenging &c of the streets, and consider tenders for same, should any be received, or of having them scavenged by direct labour; to decide upon re-appointment, or otherwise, of the Street Inspector to take charge of men engaged in street maintenence.

Two tenders, received for the scavenging, were not opened, but were directed to be held over, and submitted to adjourned meeting.

The meeting adjourned to Friday 29th December 1905

T. L. Keane

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Friday 29th December 1905

An adjourned meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also consider advisability of re-entering into a Contract for the scavenging &c of the streets, and consider tenders for same, should any be received, or of having them scavenged by direct labour; to decide upon re-appointment, or otherwise, of the Street Inspector to take charge of men engaged in Street maintenence.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Chairman Presiding
David Murphy
John S. Hearn J.P.
James J. Sforman
John Murphy
Wm. Y. Williams
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
John Hand
Patrick Dunphy
and
John Hanning

The following Tenders were received Viz:-

Mary St,
New Ross, December 27th 1905.

Gentlemen,

I beg to offer my proposal for the cleansing of the streets and lanes of the town, and also of Rosbercon.

I shall do the work for the sum of £120 for the year, and shall do all the work mentioned in the advertisment, to your satisfaction.

My Sureties are Mr Michael Walsh Mount Elliot, and Mr M. Dunphy Irishtown.

I remain,
Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant,
Thomas Hogan.

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New Ross.
December 27th 1905.

Re cleansing of town etc -
for one year from January 12th 1906.

Gentlemen,

I offer to perform the foregoing work, as advertised, for the sum of £159 - 16 - 0 (one hundred and fifty nine pounds, sixteen shillings,) and offer as my sureties William Hand, barrier, and Matthew Cooney Merchant, Charles St, I intend having three good smart men employed daily at the work of cleansing etc.

Yours etc,
Martin Hand.

Proposed by John S. Hearn and
Seconded by David Murphy "That the council do the scavenging of the streets by direct labour as heretofore for the coming year."

Mr Roche proposed as an amendment "That the contract be given to the lowest tender, but the proposition was not seconded.

On the resolution being put all the members present voted for it, except Mr Roche who voted against, and the chairman accordingly declared the resolution passed.

The chairman suggested that the men should be given in charge to a working foreman instead of the Street Inspector or Surveyor, who would in addition to working with the man himself direct them as to what they were to do, and lead them, and be also responsible to the council for getting the work done.

Mr David Murphy thought they should be given in charge to the Street Inspector and give him a trial to see how he would get the work done. after some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Roche "That the men be given into the hands of Mr Butler."

to which the following amendment was

Proposed by Mr Hanning and
Seconded by Mr O'Gorman "That the men engaged in scavenging, and

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"street maintenence be given in charge to a working foreman for six months."
On the amendment being put there voted
For Messrs James B. Hearn, John S. Hearn, O'Gorman, J. Murphy, P. Murphy.
Dunphy, Hand, Hanning, 8
against Messrs Williams, D. Murphy, and Roche 3
The resolution was put and the voting was the same.
The Chairman declared the amendment carried.

Mr David Murphy proposed and Mr Peter Murphy seconded that the wages of the working foreman be 17/6 per week. Passed Unanimously.

It was ordered that advertisments be issued for this man and also for two workmen at a wage of 14/- each per week the three to be appointed at meeting of Council to be held on 10th Inst, it to be a condition of their appointment that they work on Saturday nights as late as may be necessary for the proper cleansing of the streets.

It was also ordered that advertisments be issued for the supply of a man, horse, and cart for one year from date of acceptance of tender, at so much per week.

On the motion of Mr John S. Hearn seconded by Mr Dunphy, Mr Butler was re-appointed to take charge of the men engaged in street maintenence until next meeting, to be held on 10th January 1906, at a salary of 12/- per week.

A discussion took place in reference to procuring a large cart for the removal of shop sweepings &c and also as to a means of destroying the latter by fire and, on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, seconded by the Chairman, Messrs John S. Hearn and John Murphy were appointed a committee to obtain specification and some particulars as to price &c of cart, and report to next meeting; also to ascertain if the use of a lime kiln can be obtained at Mrs Barr's for the destruction, by fire, of shop sweepings.

It was decided also to require householders to deposit shop sweepings in dust bins, or boxes, for removal by the Councils men in future, and that no person be permitted to deposit same on the public streets after 11th January, and that public notice be given of this by posters and hand-bills.

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It was also ordered that advertisments be issued inviting proposals for the carrying out of domestic scavenging, or the removal of manure from the yards of persons, whom the bouncil have hitherto been in the habit of removing it from, it being understood that whoever undertakes its removal is to do so free of charge to the bouncil; the manure to be the property of the person removing it.

Mr Roche drew attention to the action of some persons who cut shutters, and doorways, causing considerable injury to property, and also to the obstruction caused on the streets, and footpaths, by persons, principally young boys, who congregate on them and in doorways, and it was ordered that the Clerk write to the District Inspector and ask him to direct the particular attention of the police to the matters complained of.

L. L. Kean

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 10th January 1906

Monday 1st January 1906

Monthly meeting day.

No attendance of members.

L. L. Kean

The meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 10th January 1906.

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Wednesday 10th January 1906

a Quarterly meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7. oclock P.M. to consider the quarterly report, and recommendations of the Town Surveyor, and applications for new works, if any.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Chairman
John S. Hearn J.P.
John Hand
Peter Murphy
John Murphy
David Murphy
Wm. Ly. Williams
Joseph Roche
John Meehan
and
Patrick Dunphy

The minutes of previous Quarterly meeting were read and signed

The following Quarterly Report of the Town Surveyor was read:-

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The amount of metalling put out on the streets and roads is on the whole far short of the quantity usually spread at this season. At least two-thirds of the proper supply should be put out before the new year, instead of that many of the principal streets and roads have had very little or no repairs done to them yet.

The lower half of the College road and the Irishtown should have hard metalling so as to protect the filling put out for the last two years being worn away too much.

The cleaning and gravelling of the footpaths should also be attended to. He would recommend more horses and men be employed so as to have the streets put in fair repair within a month.

Yours Obediently,
Thomas Byrne.

Ordered

That a temporary horse be employed for one week to commence on Monday next and that Mr Hogan's be got if he works satisfactory.

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That whoever is appointed working foreman be informed that bollege road, and portion of the Irishtown requires metalling, and also the foot-paths, especially Wexford St and the one by the workhouse, requires to be gravelled, and Priory Lane to be cleaned and repaired.

Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by the Chairman "That the Quarterly Report of the Town"

"Surveyor be adopted.

Passed Unanimously

The meeting adjourned

John S Keoru

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Wednesday 10th January 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also consider a letter received from the Technical Instruction Committee asking for a suitable site for a Technical Instruction Institute, and also to facilitate them in its erection by negotiating a loan, also the following "Notice of motion" handed in by Mr Roche Viz:- "That the Letter receiver on the lamp post at the end of Sugar House Lane, be removed to a more suitable place," also consider tenders for supply of man and horse, and appoint Working foreman, and two workmen.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Chairman
John S. Hearn J.P.
John Hand
Peter Murphy
John Murphy
David Murphy
Wm. G. Williams
Joseph Roche
John Meehan
and
Patrick Dunphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and John Meehan and the following Paying orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No	24	Treasurer Local Government Board	Dublin	£	6 .. 6 .. 0
..	25	St Stephen's bemetery committee			2 .. 1 .. 8
..	26	M. J. Flinn			4 .. 13 .. 9
..	27	James Kennedy			17 .. 0
..	28	Mrs Carr			8 .. 3
..	29	Michael Hunt	Dunganstown		1 .. 19 .. 8
..	30	Thomas Byrne			5 .. 16 .. 8
..	31	John J. Browne			3 .. 16 .. 7

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No 32	M. J. Flinn	£22 .. 11 .. 7
.. 33	Governors John Ivory School	4 .. 14 .. 5
.. 34	Andrew Carty	1 .. 10 .. 0

The following correspondence was read viz:-

D. W. Wd. Railway Co.
Dublin, 9th January 1906.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 29th ultimo, our Engineer has now given instructions for the repair of the diverted road at Rosbercon, referred to in the Resolution of your Council, of which you were good enough to send me a copy.

Yours faithfully,
M. F. Keogh.
Secretary.

No Order made

Royal Irish Constabulary,
New Ross, 4th January 1906.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of 3rd Inst, relative to malicious injury to shutters, &c, and to obstruction caused by persons congregating on the streets and footpaths, and in reply desire to inform you, for the information of the Urban Council, that I have issued special instructions to the Police regarding these matters.

Faithfully yours,
J. H. Davis.
Dist Inspector.

No Order made

some members remarking that a great improvement had taken place in the matters complained of.

South St,
New Ross, January 10th 1906

Dear Sir,

Kindly give us permission to take up the flags at the Newcastle Shop in Charles St. We want to do some plumbing work on the water pipe which is broken, & oblige.

Yours truly,
W. & F. Hartrick.

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Ordered

That Messrs Hartrick be given permission to take up the flags, but they are to be responsible for any accident that may happen to any person, as a result of their removal.

a circular letter was received from the Local Government Board informing the Council that in the coming session of Parliament, and until further notice, unopposed Bills confirming Provisional Orders made by the Board will be in charge of Mr Edward A. Bonnor Maurice 46 Parliament St London S.W, and that he will notify any opposition that may be entered to any order, in which case the Local Authority must be prepared to employ a Parliamentary agent.

No Order made

A letter was received from General Post office acknowledging receipt of the Council's resolution refusing to close and lease Back Lane to the Department.

Clerk's Report

New Ross,
10th January 1906

Dear Sir,

I beg to direct the attention of the Council to the amount of Poor Rate, and Borough Rate outstanding at date, Viz:-

Poor Rate	£336 . 19 . 5
Borough Rate	422 . 11 . 0.

I would respectfully ask you to urge upon the Collectors the necessity of proceeding with their collections at once, as it is impossible to carry on the business of the office, or discharge the liabilities of the Council with that regularity and promptness which the Local Government Board, and the Auditor requires, if the rates are not collected with reasonable promptitude.

I have drawn attention to this matter verbally, on former occasions but no material improvement in the collections has taken place as a result of it.

I am Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
M. J. Flinn.
Clerk of Council.

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Ordered

That the Collectors be informed if a substantial lodgment of rates is not made by them against next meeting, the Council will consider the advisability of taking such steps as may be necessary to ensure the prompt collection of same, they also require them to proceed with all possible diligence with their collections and have them closed by 15th March at latest.

A proposal was received from Anastatia Doran of Church Lane for the tenancy of a house belonging to the Council, lately occupied by Mr Plummer, and offered as her sureties, James Gibson, and Francis Ashe John St. She also lodged the four weeks rent. On the proposal of Mr David Murphy seconded by Mr Dunphy she was accepted as tenant.

A letter was received from the Gas Co stating that they intended opening the road outside Mr Hogan's North St. for the purpose of cleaning gas supply pipe but there was No Order made.

City Chambers,
Glasgow, 29th December, 1905.

Taxation of Land Values

Dear Sir,

I send you herewith —

(1) Report of Conference of Representatives of Municipal and other Rating Authorities, held in Manchester on 21st ultimo; and

(2) Copy of Petition therein referred to.

Will you be good enough to submit the report and Petition to your Council at their next meeting, with a view to their supporting the movement. I shall be pleased to receive the Petition back, with the seal of your Council affixed thereto, at your early convenience, in order that it may be presented to Parliament at the beginning of next Session.

I am Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
John Bowers,
Town Clerk.

The petition refered to was also received and it was decided to adjourn its

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consideration, pending the obtaining of more information respecting the subject matter of it.

Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met this day and recommended payment of following (see list at commencement of Minutes)

Signed
John S. Hearn
James B. Hearn

Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr Meehan

"That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made."

Passed Unanimously

Collectors Report

New Ross,
8th January 1906.

Gentlemen/

I beg to report the following weekly tenants owing one weeks rent and over.

John Hand	Rent 2/6 per week	£1 .. 5 .. 3
Thomas Dunne	in this case Mrs Kelly is stopping 2/6 per week	11 .. 0
John Hanning	2/6 per week	12 .. 6
James Cullen	same	10 .. 0
John Whitty	out of possession	13 .. 6
Edward Broaders	1/9 per week	8 .. 0
John Connick	out of possession	13 .. 0
Timothy Coghlan	1/9 per week	7 .. 9
Edward Whitty	same	11 .. 3
Anne Ryan	same	14 .. 3
Ellen Donovan	same	15 .. 9

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James Carroll 1/9 per week 13 .. 3

P. Kehoe Irishtown require slates on the house as the rain is coming through the roof, also a closet is required, this matter has been reported continually, but nothing has been done.

The doors of the ashpits was blown off by the wind, on the houses of Mrs Quigley, and John Hand, and require to be replaced, this matter has been reported before.

Mrs Brennan Holly Ho Lane requires a latch and lock on the street door.

There is two panes of glass broken and one cracked in the front of house occupied by Edward Broaders of William St. Ellen Rochford requires a grate upstairs.

Mr Johnson requires a lock and latch on the front door, it has been reported many times but has not been done up to the present, it is very badly needed as she has no person living in the house but herself and family.

Richard Wickham's house William St requires slates on, as the rain is coming through.

Your Obedient Servant,
John J. Browne.
Collector.

Mr Hand, who ~~not~~ was present, stated that he would provide sureties, instead of Mr Hennessy deceased, against next meeting and there was no further order made.

In reference to Whitty the Clerk was directed to endeavour to obtain payment of the balance.

There was no order made respecting Connick, as the Council did not consider it prudent to incur expense endeavouring to recover it from this person.

That Edward Whitty be written to, and directed to substantially reduce the arrears of rent due by him.

The Clerk reported that Anne Ryan called to the office and paid 6/6 on

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Monday, which reduced the rent due by ~~higher~~ her to amount shown in the report, and also promised to pay 3d. per week in addition to her weekly rent until the arrears were paid off. The meeting decided to approve of this arrangement, and not take any further steps if she fulfils her promise.

That notice be served on Mrs Ellen Donovan to give up possession of the house if she does not provide a surety in place of Mr Hennessy.

The Clerk reported that he had not received any reply from Jas Carroll to his letter asking him to provide security for the payment of his rent, but there was no order made respecting him as he was in hospital and not earning any money, and being in occupation of the house since it was built the meeting decided not to take proceedings against him for the present.

The repairs to houses occupied by P. Kehoe and Mrs Rochford were dealt with at the Sanitary meeting.

It was Ordered that the Clerk get a lock, and latch, put on door of house occupied by Mrs Brennan, and the committee already appointed inspect houses in Wm. St and report upon the repairs necessary to be done to them.

Report of Town Surveyor

I beg to report on orders made at last meeting :—

Water channel opposite Mr Harrell's premises. I do not see anything wrong with this channel, the nature of the complaint has not been stated, if it is the making of a pipe gullet opposite the gateway I do not see that the Council can do it.

Post office footpath

The value of the flagging removed from the front of the New Post office is about £6. and the granite kerbing about £3. for materials and labour laid as a footway. The present cost of flags would be 4/= per yard squared for setting which for new flags would be £4 .. 16 .. 0

The life of a flagged footway I consider three times as long as cement

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concrete, the present state of the concrete footway is good, although there are a couple of slight cracks across it that appeared shortly after being laid.

Bridge traps

One has been laid in footway opposite Mr Bolfers office. The drain was completely choked under the footway with hard mud, flags had to be taken up here and there and relaid after cleaning. There is an opening into the drain opposite Mr Taylor's covered by a sheet iron frame, it might be better replace this by a flag, the one grate will be sufficient to take the surface from the area of the footway and from the roofs. A second trap was set to replace the old one at end of Mr Doyle's store, and it would be well have the third set at Mr Keeffe's corner.

Thomas Byrne

There was no order made respecting repair of channel outside Mr Farrell's premises in Bewley St

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy "That the Post office authorities be required to "restore the flagged footpath which existed opposite the New Post office New Ross, "previous to the erection of the building, or give an undertaking in writing "that they will maintain the present Concrete footpath in perpetuity, to the "satisfaction of the Urban District Council".

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Town Surveyor have the trap referred to in his report set at Keeffe's corner, and furnish a statement showing the cost of clearing drains and setting three new traps, including their price, for transmission to be Council.

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he inspected the town daily and found it on the whole dirty. The footpath opposite the premises of Messrs Haskins, Furlong, and Bank of Ireland Quay, Murphy Bolger and Endowed School John St, is kept in a dirty state. Messrs Doherty and Murphy, Dunphy, Greaney & Hanlon, are causing an obstruction by placing boxes on the streets. He drew attention again to a dangerous wall at William St, which has become very bad owing to

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the recent heavy rains. The crossing entering Doyle Bro's yard is too low, and when rain comes the surface water flows from the approach to the Bridge, down the footpath at Doyle's and John Kehoe's side. He suggested that this crossing be raised about four inches.

Thomas Butler

A lengthened discussion took place as to whether prosecutions should be taken against persons mentioned in the reports who did not keep the footpaths opposite their premises clean, and who placed boxes on the streets thereby causing an obstruction, and it was eventually

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by the Chairman

"That the Clerk write to them cautioning them against failing to keep the footpaths opposite their premises clean and also against depositing boxes &c on the streets and inform them if they do not comply with the law", legal proceedings will be taken against them"

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the committee, who are to inspect the Council's houses in William St, inspect the dangerous wall referred to in the report of the Inspector and that they be empowered to have whatever repairs they consider urgently necessary carried out upon it without waiting to report to a meeting of the Council.

The meeting decided not to raise the crossing entering Doyle Bro's yard at present

It was also ordered that the Street Inspector report the names of any persons who deposit shop sweepings on the streets instead of in boxes or dust bins.

The notice of motion handed in by Mr Roche in reference to removal of "letter Receiver" off of lamp at end of Sugar House Lane was considered and the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy "That the Post Office authorities be required to cause

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the "Letter Receiver" on the Lamp Pillar at end of Sugar Ho Lane, to be removed "to a more suitable place; as it is an obstruction to the public in its present "position".

Passed

The application for a site &c received from Technical Instruction Committee and entered on the minutes of the last meeting was considered. Mr Roche referred at length to the excellent accomodation provided in the new school erected at considerable expense by the Christian Bro^rs and alleged that if the contemplated one was built the Department might withdraw the teachers from the Brother's Schools and require them to devote all their time to the pupils attending the proposed new school. after considerable discussion it was

Ordered

That the Clerk inform the Committee the Council do not wish to interfere in the matter, but that they would suggest to the Committee the advisability of accquiring the Robert St Hall for a Technical Institute.

The Clerk stated that the Ball Cock of the Cistern required to be repaired, and it was ordered that it be repaired by Hartrick, or a Waterford plumber, if he is in town.

Applications were received for the position of Working Foreman, at a wages of 17/6 per week, from James Flynn Mongarrett Lane, and Richard Hamilton Chapel Lane, and on the proposal of Mr Hand, Seconded by Mr Dunphy, Flynn was appointed.

He was called before the meeting, and the Chairman impressed upon him the necessity of getting the streets kept clean, and also of having them properly metalled. All the men would be under his charge and he would be responsible for them. He would give the time of the men engaged in scavenging to the Street Inspector, who will prepare their weekly account, and also report as to the manner in which the town is being kept from the point of view of cleanliness.

There were several applications for the two vacancies for workmen at 14/- per week, and, on the proposal of Mr John S. Hearn, Seconded by Mr Meehan.- James Keilthy and Edward Broaders were employed.

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Proposals for the supply of a man, horse and cart, for one year at, per week, were received from Thomas Hogan @ 21/=, Martin Hand at 25/=, and Philip Hartley at 23/9.

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr John S. Hearn J.P.

"That Mr Hogan's tender for the supply of man, horse and cart, be accepted."

Passed Unanimously

Proposals for the supply of a scavenging cart were received from Thos. Hennessy and Patrick Power with plans of same, but they were refered to the Committee to report upon them.

It was also agreed that a Committee consisting of Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. and John Murphy meet on the following day at 10.30 Oclock A.M. to point out and decide upon duties of Working foreman, Surveyor, and transact any other business that may be necessary owing to the appointment of Foreman.

It was also ordered that the Street Inspector and Town Surveyor, attend in the Tholsel during each meeting, of the Council so that they may be available if required.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 24th January 1906

Joseph Roche

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Thursday 11th January 1906

A meeting of the committee appointed to decide upon duties of working foreman and Surveyor and transact such other business as may be necessary consequent upon the appointment of Working foreman was held this day at 11 oclock A.M.

Present Messers John S. Hearn J.P.
and
John Murphy

The Town Surveyor and Foreman, were also in attendance.

The committee pointed out to Glynn, his duties under his appointment. He would be required to see that all the men were attending to their work and give the necessary directions to them as to what they were to do, at the same time working himself as heretefore. He would furnish to the Town Surveyor each day what the men were engaged at, so as to enable that officer to prepare the weekly bill book.

He will also report all stones delivered by contractors to the clerk and also the quantity of each boatload broken, and when it is completed by the person breaking.

all the stones to be got broken by the clerk at the contract price Viz:- 24/= for limestones. The foreman will also furnish to the Town Surveyor the quantity of stones put out on each street, and 20/= for Dungarvan stones.

They directed the Town Surveyor to prepare the weekly bill book, and continue to report to each meeting on the condition of the streets &c as usual, and also to keep an account, in future, of the quantity of stones delivered to each depot, as well as the quantity put out on each street. They did not consider the tenders received for the supply of a scavenging cart, but deferred same to a future date.

The committee adjourned

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Monday 15th January 1906

The Polling for the Election of four Urban District Councillors for the New Ross Ward in place of Messrs David Murphy, John Murphy, Wm. G. Williams and John O'Sullivan, who retired by rotation, took place to-day. The following were duly nominated Viz:- Messrs Patrick Browne Bewley St, Patrick Dunphy North St, Samuel Hill Bellevue Cottage, David Murphy Quay St, John Murphy John St, and Wm. Geo Williams Quay St, Michael Culleton Charleton Hill, was also duly nominated he withdrew his candidature within the prescribed time, whilst Mr O'Sullivan refused to allow himself to be nominated.

The poll resulted as follows:—

Patrick Browne	251	votes
Patrick Dunphy	303	"
Samuel Hill	285	"
David Murphy	410	"
John Murphy	280	"
Wm. Geo Williams	390	"

The Returning officer declared Messrs David Murphy, Wm. Geo. Williams, Patrick Dunphy, and Samuel Hill, duly elected Councillors for the ward.

Mr James Phelan was the only candidate nominated for the Rosbercon Ward and he was declared duly elected a Councillor for it.

Matthew J Furm
Returning Officer

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Tuesday 23rd January 1906

The Annual meeting of the Council was held this day at 12 o'clock - noon, to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, also to elect a Chairman, and if deemed advisable, a Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn Presiding
Joseph Roche
David Murphy
Wm G. Williams
Patrick Dunphy
James G. Dooley
John Meehan
John Hand
Samuel Hill
and
James J. Ofjorman

The outgoing Chairman (Mr James B. Hearn) having thanked the members of the Council for the assistance given him in discharging his duties as Chairman for the past two years, and declined to allow himself to be nominated for a third year of office, it was

Election of Chairman

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Dooley

"That Mr John S. Hearn J.P. be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year."

Passed Unanimously

The meeting decided, on the proposal of Mr Dunphy, Seconded by Mr Ofjorman, not to elect a Vice-Chairman. Mr Dunphy proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring Chairman, which was seconded by Mr Roche & unanimously passed.
The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 24th January 1906.

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Wednesday 24th January 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, to elect the Technical Instruction Committee of the Urban District, the Finance, Sanitary and Street Committees for the ensuing year, decide upon purchase of a scavenging cart.

Present Messrs Joseph Roche Presiding
Michael Greaney
Samuel Hill
John Hand
James Phelan
Peter Murphy
Wm. G. Williams
and
David Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Michael Greaney and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 35 M. J. Flinn Petty Cash £22-18-10

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

No 2,385/1906
New Ross Urban Dist

Local Government Board, Dublin.
16th January 1906.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to return, herewith, the Paying Order for Six Pounds Six Shillings received from you in respect of the amount assessed for the audit of the accounts of the New Ross Urban District Council for the year ended the 31st March, 1905; and I am to request that a stamped Order may be issued by the Council and transmitted to this Department.

I am, at the same time, to call your attention to the third paragraph of the Board's Circular Letter of the 13th October, 1904 (copy enclosed), from which it will be seen that in the case of all payments made out of rates, other than the poor rate, the Paying Order should be stamped with a penny stamp.

I am, Your Obedient Servant,
H. Courteny.

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copies of the Board's circular letters of of 12th July 1900 and 13th October 1904 were also received.

Ordered

That the Clerk stamp the Paying Order and return it to the Local Government Board with a request that they may inform the Council whether each receipt issued for Town Rate, even in cases where in cases where seperate receipts are issued for each rating, although belonging to the same ratepayer, should be stamped when the Amount exceeds £2..0..0.

No 75952. 1905
Miscellaneous

Local Government Board,
Dublin, 10th January 1906.

Sir,

Referring to their circular letter of the 16th November last (No 116/III. 1905), I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to state that they will feel obliged if the Urban District Council will at once furnish any observations they desire to make with regard to the proposed Urban (Transferred Business Procedure) Order a draft of which accompanied the Board's letter.

Any suggestions as to the proposed Order should be received not later than the 16th Instant.

By order of the Board,
E. W. Leach.

The Clerk stated that he had written to the Board informing them that when the draft Order was submitted to a meeting of the Council the members did not express a desire to make any observations upon it, and this was approved of.

Cork Industrial Development Association,
13 Marlboro' Street,
Cork, 17th January 1906.

Dear Sir,

At the first Irish Industrial Conference held in Cork on the 21st and 22nd of November last, under the auspices of the above Association, the following resolution was, on the proposition of his Lordship the Most Rev Dr Sheehan, Bishop of Waterford, seconded by Captain John Shawe Taylor. D.L. J.P. and supported by Messrs E. J. Dunn J.P. (President Cork Incorporated Chamber of Commerce and Shipping,) John D. O'Connor J.P. (Chairman Kanturk Board of

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Guardians) T. W. Russell M.P, William Ireland J.P. (Dublin) George Perry J.P. (Dublin) Captain the Honorable Otway Cuffe (Kilkenny) William Field M.P. John Ryan Solicitor (Dungarvan), Patrick J. Egan (Tullamore), and Lorcan G. Sherlock T.C. P.L.G. (Dublin), carried unanimously, and I was instructed to send you a copy of it, and to convey to you the feeling of that large and exceptionally representative assembly of Irishmen, viz:- that the resolution should be adopted by every Public Board throughout the land, and not alone passed by the members of those boards, but that they should see that its terms are strictly adhered to in connection with all future contracts that they may enter into.

Will you kindly place this letter and resolution before your Board at its next Meeting.

Trusting to hear from you at an early date that your Board has adopted resolution.

I am Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

E. J. Riordan,

Sec of Conference.

Copy of Resolution

A "That this Conference earnestly urges all Irish Public Bodies to give a decided preference to Irish-made Goods, since such a use of public monies will encourage Irish Industry, provide occupation in Ireland for our people, and thus lessen the burden upon the ratepayers in more than one way."

B "That in order to prevent the possibility of imported goods being supplied as Irish, all public bodies be requested to adopt Irish standard samples, and not to accept supplies unless sent direct from the manufacturers, except in case where such is not practicable."

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy

"That these resolutions be adopted by the Council."

Passed Unanimously

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Henry St,
New Ross. 18th January 1906.

Dear Sirs/

I should feel greatly obliged if you would do something to prevent the water from the old Quarry opposite my house from flooding.

On two occasions this week the sewer outside house was not capable of taking away the overflow with the result that the cellar got flooded.

It is really too bad that Rates have got to be paid for such a nuisance. ban anything be done to remedy the defect.

Yours truly,
G. A. Carr.

Henry St,
New Ross, 23rd January 1906.

Dear Sirs,

I am again compelled to complain of the water nuisance at my premises here, on Friday night last the water rushed out from the quarry opposite and rushed down the yard sweeping everything before it.

It also flooded the cellar under the house causing considerable inconvenience. Everything about the place was in a terrible state. I called the attention of the Head Constable to it, as well as bringing the matter under the Town Surveyors notice.

If you do not take immediate action to prevent a re-currence of the flooding, I shall place the matter in the hands of my Solicitors.

Yours truly,
Grace A. Carr.

The clerk stated that Mr Tyndall was written to before, and requested to connect the quarry, on the property of the Misses Tottenham, where the water collects, with the main sewer of street but he refused to do so stating that the flooding was caused by the weeping of the manure and even if there was a flooding there is a drain to take it away.

It was now ordered that he be written to again and asked to construct a drain from the quarry to main sewer in William St.

Report of Water Rent Collector

I beg leave to report that the following persons are not satisfied to pay Pipe Water

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water Rent.

Mr Duke Manager of Messrs Merry & Co. complain that he had received water for a considerable time.

James Bailey has received no water up to the present date.

James Hogan North St. refuse to pay the sum of 2/6 arrears due since last year for house in Mary St.

Your Obedient Servant,
John J. Browne.

Ordered

That the Collector be informed the Council cannot make any abatement or allowance in the water rent to those people and that he take the necessary steps to obtain payment of it.

A letter was received from Miss Plummer acknowledging receipt of copy of Councils resolution respecting removal of Letter Box or Lamp pillar on Quay, and also one from Secretary General Post Office respecting substitution of concrete for flagged footpath in Charles St.

Chapel Place,
Ramsgate, 13th January 1906.

Dear Mr Linn,

By this post I have written to James Connolly urging him on with the repairs of Miss Crowley's. I dont expect him to be able to do much till March, at the same time I enclosed a letter to Miss Crowley for him to read and then deliver. I think perhaps it would be polite to the Urban Council if I enclosed a copy of letter addressed to Miss Crowley so that you may all know that the property in which you have an interest is being managed on respectable if not indulgent lines.

Wishing you a very happy new year.

Yours very truly,
R. de B. Saunderson.

A copy of his letter to Miss Crowley was also received.

Ordered

That Rev^d Mr Saunderson be informed the Council are satisfied to allow any reasonable time for the carrying out of the improvements

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to the property referred to.

Dunganstown,
23rd January 1906.

Dear Sir,

Kindly let your council know that I will put the quay 20 yards farther out from their quarry at Dunganstown for £8 in order that the boats can get into the quay on all tides. It cost me £12 to put a lorry and rails there, I would not go to so much expense if I thought the stones would not be drew away. The boatmen are complaining about the mud after rising outside the quay and they cannot get in or out very easy.

Yours faithfully,
Michael Hunt.

Ordered

That the consideration of this matter be adjourned to next meeting, the members of the council to be summoned to attend same.

Urban District Council,
The Green,
Tottenham, December 1905.

Unemployed Workmen

Dear Sir,

By direction of my council, I beg to inform you that, at their last meeting they passed the following resolution, and directed me to forward you a copy thereof, with a request to submit it to your Authority, with a view to their passing a similar resolution if they deem it advisable, viz:-

"That considering the great distress now prevailing due to the lack of em-
"ployment, and considering the limited powers and financial resources of
"Urban District and other councils, this council is of the opinion that the un-
"employed problem is of National concern and can only be satisfactorily dealt
"with in a National manner, and therefore calls upon the Imperial Government
"to take the necessary steps to deal with the problem Nationally by themselves
"undertaking works of National necessity, such as re-afforestation, reclamation of
"Foreshores and Waste Land, and the institution of Farm Colonies, etc., (coupled
"with an extension of the powers of, and making grants in aid to Local
"Authorities).

"And in view of the urgent character of the matter, further calls upon the

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"Prime Minister to convene a Special Session of Parliament for this "purpose.

"Further, that copies of this resolution be sent to Mr J. Howard, M.P. "for Tottenham, and to all Local Authorities in the Kingdom, asking "them to pass similar resolutions."

Yours faithfully,
E. Browne.
Clerk of the Council.

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That the foregoing resolution be adopted and "copies sent to the Prime Minister, the Chief Secretary for Ireland and the "President of the Local Government Board.

Passed Unanimously

Town Surveyor's Report

Herewith I send account for the County Surveyor for bridge traps, cleaning drain &c. Estimate of repairs required by the tenant (Patrick Kehoe) of the house occupied by him at the Hair Gate. I think it would be advisable for you take into consideration the work of newly slating the back of this house and the one adjoining occupied by Steacy. This is a bad and uncertain time for doing outside work generally, and any work or repairs except of a pressing nature might be deferred till March.

Estimate for repairs to house occupied by Ellen Rochford, Chapel Lane, Recommendations as to drain and footway, Dunphy's corner, Quay St. There was a small job of Slating and closing to gable of Curran's house which I got a slater to do.

There is a small breach in the yard wall, William St, in possession of Dr. Hickey, it might be well to have it built up, otherwise it will be getting larger. Only one boatload of limestones was delivered for the past fortnight at least two every week ought if possible be got in so as to keep up the supply of broken stones.

There is a dirty heap of rubbish on the Mary St end of Nunnery Lane that should not be there as long as it is.

Thomas Byrne.

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That the account for setting of traps at Bridge be sent to Mr Jones Deputy Surveyor.

The repairing of Curran's house was approved of the work being ordered to be done at last meeting. The repairs to other houses was dealt with at Sanitary meeting.

Offices,
New Ross, 23rd January 1906.

re Richard J. Thorpe

Dear Sir,

As Mr Thorpe has not paid the interest mentioned in your letter of 16th ult, we think the proper course to pursue is to issue a writ against him for recovery of the arrears of rent. We are issuing this writ and will have it served on Mr Thorpe, but if he pays the required interest and the costs before judgment is marked the proceedings might be withdrawn.

Yours truly,
Colfer & Lyttin.

Ordered

That Messrs Colfer & Lyttin be informed the Council do not wish to interfere further in this matter but prefer to leave it in their hands to take whatever steps they consider necessary in the interests of the Council.

In reference to repair of dangerous wall at William St, referred to at previous meetings, the Clerk stated that the Surveyor had estimated the probable cost of repairing it at £3 and it was now ordered that officer get the necessary repairs done to it at once at a cost not exceeding the amount estimated by him.

The Clerk reported that James Carroll had not paid any rent since nor entered into a Bond. As requested but as he was still in hospital there was no order made the members present undertaking to pay off the rent themselves in case it was necessary under the circumstances.

The foreman was called before the meeting and questioned as to how he was carrying out the work and he reported favourably, but stated that if the weather got broken he would require an additional man, and also a man and horse, occasionally in order to cope with the work satisfactorily; and the motion of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr David Murphy the Clerk was

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authorized to employ them whenever he considered it necessary to do so.

Mr David Murphy drew attention to the want of repairs to Irishtown and Cross Lane and the Foreman promised to attend to them as soon as possible.

The Clerk stated that Mrs Elizabeth Byrne called to the office and asked the Council for permission to erect a stall at the Sisters of Mercy Convent Wall at Michael St during the continuance of a Retreat which is to open soon in the New Church and on the motion of Mr Hand the necessary permission was granted.

He also reported that three weeks would intervene before the next meeting of the Council Viz:- on the second Wednesday in February and asked if it would be necessary to adjourn this meeting to say a fortnight hence, but the members did not consider it necessary to hold an adjourned meeting, but directed him to have a special meeting called if it became necessary.

Technical Instruction Committee

Proposed by Mr Greaney and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That the following members of the Council be elected on the Technical Instruction Committee for the ensuing year Viz:- Messrs James B. Hearn, David Murphy, Patrick Dunphy, Peter Murphy, James J. Glynman, Joseph Roche,
Also Very Revd. Canon Kavanagh, Revd. Br O'Farrell, Messrs Andrew Cullen, John Cahill, and Henry Ellis."

Passed Unanimously

Finance Committee

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That the following members be elected a Finance Committee for the ensuing year Viz:- Messrs David Murphy, James J. Glynman, Peter Murphy, John S. Hearn J.P. and James B. Hearn."

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That the following members be elected a Street

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Street committee

"committee for the ensuing year Viz:- Messrs John Hanning, James Phelan, "Wm. Ly. Williams, Joseph Roche, and James Ly. Dooley."

Passed Unanimously

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 14th February 1906

John Stevens

Monday 29th January 1906

A meeting of the Street committee was held this day at 11 oclock a.M. to investigate the question of a manure depot and report to the council as to the suitability of the yard, the temporary use of which was given by Messrs S. Kough & Co, or the one in their possession situate on the quay, or some place outside the Urban District for such a purpose.

Present Messrs Wm. Ly. Williams and James Phelan

The committee proceeded to inspect both those yards and considering their loaction, and the absence of inhabited houses in the locality where they are situate, together with the nature of the rubbish deposited in them did not consider there could be any reasonable objection to them being used for such a purpose and accordingly decided to recommend to continue the use of those yards in which to deposit street sweepings, same to be sold as frequently as might be necessary

The meeting adjourned

John Stevens

Monday 5th February 1906

Monthly meeting day

No attendance of members

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 14th February 1906.

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Wednesday 14th February 1906

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business of the Committee for the stated Finance meeting of the Council.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
and
David Murphy

The Committee proceeded to examine a number of bills, as set out in their report, and having also considered Mr Cummins claim for a refund of six years rent, paid in error for property which cannot be located, and which the Council's Solicitors advised ought to be refunded, decided to recommend the Council to issue a Paying Order for this amount.

Having recommended payment of a number of bills, the meeting adjourned.

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Wednesday 14th February 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 1.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also a proposal to extend the loading Quay at Dunganstown at a cost of £8; to appoint a member of the School attendance committee instead of Mr John S. Hearn J.P. resigned,

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
John Hand
Patrick Dunphy
David Murphy
James Phelan
Wm Ly. and Williams

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Wm. Ly. Williams, and James Phelan, and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 36	Messrs Moran Bros.	New Ross	£11 - 12 - 9
" 37	same	"	2 - 14 - 4
" 38	James Power & co	"	2 - 6 - 7
" 39	Zimber Bros.	"	4 - 4 - 0
" 40	George W. Carr	"	3 - 10 - 9
" 41	Matthew Hutchinson	"	4 - 12 - 11
" 42	John M. Walsh	Wexford	5 - 9
" 43	Graves & co	New Ross	8 - 17 - 5
" 44	Collector of Inland Revenue	Kilkenny	15 - 6
" 45	John Kough	New Ross	1 - 0 - 0
" 46	Hely's Ltd.	Dublin	2 - 15 - 9
" 47	Mrs M. A. Corcoran	Wexford	6 - 6
" 48	Treasurer Co Council	"	315 - 0 - 11
" 49	James Barron	New Ross	2 - 13 - 8
" 50	M. J. Flinn	"	35 - 8 - 5
" 51	same (Returning Officer)		20 - 18 - 1
" 52	See School attendance Committee		8 - 16 - 2
" 53	Dr. Oconnor		3 - 3 - 0

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No 54	New Ross Gas Co		£ 18 - 15 - 6
" 55	Francis J. McEnna,	New Ross	7 - 0
" 56	Patrick Harady	"	19 - 7
" 57	John Harrington	"	1 - 1 - 6
" 58	John Lobin	"	12 - 10 - 0
" 59	Thomas Martin	"	15 - 0
" 60	Stephen Carroll	"	1 - 14 - 0
" 61	Walter Cleere	"	2 - 4 - 0
" 62	Patrick Redmond	"	4 - 6 - 8
" 63	same	"	4 - 6 - 8
" 64	Michael Hunt	Dunganstown	2 - 19 - 6
" 65	Patrick Leacy	New Ross	2 - 6 - 11
" 66	John J. Browne	"	8 - 1 - 6
" 67	Thomas Byrne	"	4 - 6 - 8
" 68	William Cummins,	Mount Melleray,	2 - 15 - 6

The following Paying orders were received from the County Council, and ordered to be lodged, to the credit of the Urban District Council

No 1204	for maintenence of a road	£ 32 - 13 - 2
" 1205	same	16 - 13 - 9

As was also a cheque received from Messrs Colfer & Gethin, being interest on Thorpe's purchase money.

The following correspondence was read Viz :-

Department of Agriculture,
Upper Merrion St.
Dublin, 27th Jan 1906.

Sir,

I have to point out that in view of the recent election of Councillors, it will be necessary to re-appoint the Technical Instruction Committee for the Urban District of New Ross; and I have to request, therefore, that you will be good enough to forward, for the information of the Department, a list of the names, addresses, and occupations of the members of the Committee nominated by your Council.

A copy of Form I (B), upon which these particulars should be supplied, is enclosed herewith.

I am Sir, Your Obedient Servant,
T. G. Gill.
Secretary.

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The Clerk stated that the desired information had been forwarded to the Department, and this was approved of.

Technical Instruction Committee,
New Ross, 13th February 1906.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that the Rev Bro M. S. O'Harrell (late Spr Christian Bro^s.) New Ross, has tendered his resignation of membership of my Committee, and same has been accepted; and I have been directed to ask your Council to fill the vacancy.

Yours faithfully,
Edward Long.
Secretary.

Adjourned to next meeting, members to be summoned to elect a member of Technical Instruction Committee instead of Br^. O'Harrell.

A proposal was received from Edward Neville, Bawnmore, for heap of road scrapings, on Greywell, at 5^d. per load, and stated that he would not be able to draw it away before May, it was ordered that this proposal be accepted, Mr Neville to be asked to draw the manure as soon as possible.

A proposal of five shillings for heap of manure on Poor House road, made by James Brien, was accepted.

County Council Offices,
Wexford, 8th February 1906.

Dear Mr Flinn

I enclose you copies of form 44 explanatory table and form 45 Estimate of General Rate.

Form 46 (Estimate of Seperate charges has not been applied by the Printer up to the present but I expect to be in a position to furnish you with it to-morrow.

Yours faithfully,
N. J. Grizelle.
acting Secretary.

The explanatory table and Form referred to were received.

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County Council Offices,
Wexford, 13th. February 1906.

Dear Sir,

I enclose statement under Article 70 of the Public Bodies Order showing the amount which will be demanded from your council for the service of the ensuing Financial year.

Yours faithfully,
N. J. Grizelle.
Acting County Secretary.

Copy of Statement referred to

New Ross Urban District

Statement – Article 70 Public Bodies Order
Particulars of Amount Demanded by the County Council

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance against the Urban Dist on last 31st. March as shown in County Ledger				Balance in favour of the Urban District on last 31st. March as shown in the County Ledger	253	19	0
apportioned share of charges at last 30th. September as shown in County Ledger for:-				Received from Urban council in respect of Demand to 30th. Sept last.	630	1	8
County Account £246 .. 10 .. 10				Received or to be received from Urban council, being balance of Demand to 31st. March next.	630	1	10
Union Account 589 .. 16 .. 11							
Seperate charges 24 .. 2 .. 4							
Election account 1 .. 1 .. 10							
Financial Relations 2 .. 8 .. 2	864	0	1	Amount now demanded for:-			
Estimated share of charges as will be ascertained in County Ledger at 31st. March next.				County Account £292 .. 9 .. 3			
				Union Account 554 .. 8 .. 4			
				Seperate Charges a/c 19 .. 19 .. 3	866	16	10

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	£	s	d		£	s	d
County Account £191 .. 0 .. 0							
Union Account 168 .. 0 .. 0							
Seperate charges — — —	359	0	0				
apportioned share of net estimated charges for the ensuing Financial year as shown on the County Estimate, Forms 45 and 46							
County account £393 .. 0 .. 0							
Union Account 745 .. 0 .. 0							
Seperate charges ac 19 .. 19 .. 3	1157	19	3				
Total	2,380	19	4	Total	2,380	19	4

No Order made

Proposals were received for two heaps of manure in yard on Quay from Thomas Moran Annefield, at 6/6, and Mary Lawlor at 7/6 and it was ordered that Mrs Lawler get them if she intends the 7/6 to be for each heap or 15/= for the two.

Offices,
New Ross, 14th February 1906.

Urban Council v Thorpe

Dear Sir,

Mr Richard J. Thorpe has paid us £53 .. 19 .. 4 the interest due by him to 29th September last, and we enclose cheque for that amount in favour of the Council.

Yours truly,
Colfer & Lyethin,
Solicitors.

M. J. Flynn Esq
Town Clerk
New Ross

Ordered

That this cheque be lodged to the credit of the Council by the Clerk, as the Collector is not entitled to Commission on interest on purchase money.

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Star Life Buildings,
College Green,
Dublin, 6th February 1906.

Sir

Referring to your letter re means of escape in case of fire at the New Ross Hosiery Factory, it appears to me from the report of Mr Warren, who visited the premises that either an iron staircase should be built on the outside of the building with doors leading on to it from each landing at the opposite end of the building to the present staircase; or else that an additional staircase, or else vertical steps or ladders and trap doors in the floors should be placed inside the building. The latter is probably the simpler way, the steps being constructed against the wall in the manner commonly seen leading from a stable to a hay loft. The ladder being against the wall takes up very little room, and when the trap door is shut, it takes up no floor space.

I am Sir.

Your Obedient Servant.
John Jackson.
H.M. Inspector of Factories.

Ordered

That a copy of this letter be sent to the Hosiery bo with a request that the subject matter of it may receive the attention of the Directors.

A letter was received from The Irish Independent bo, asking that the Irish Daily Independent might be placed on the bouncils regular advertising list, but there was no order made.

A circular letter was received from the Town Clerk of Glasgow, notifying that the Prime Minister had agreed to receive a Deputation from the Organisation of Municipal and other Rating Authorities, in support of the Movement for the Taxation of Land values, on Monday 26th Inst at 12 oclock noon, and asking that the bouncil be represented at the Interview, but the meeting decided not to appoint any delegates.

Letters acknowledging receipt of the resolution passed by the bouncil, in reference to the question of the Unemployed, were received from the Prime Minister, Chief Secretary for Ireland, and President of the Local Government Board.

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an application, received from James Connolly, for permission to erect a scaffolding outside Miss Crowley's house in Priory St, was granted.

To Presiding Chairman
New Ross Urban Council.

Sir/

I have been directed by the members of the Amateur Dramatic Club to apply to you for the use of the two large rooms on ground floor of Tholsel for the purpose of holding their annual dance, which comes off on Wednesday evening the 21st Inst. If the Council would also give us the use of Council Chamber to be used as a cloak room, we would be very grateful.

Yours &c,
Wm. O'Crowley, Hon Sec.

Ordered

That the issue of the rooms be given subject to arrangements being made with the present tenants.

Collectors Report

I beg leave to report the following that owe four weeks rent and over.

John Hand	William St	£1.2.6	paying 6d extra each week
Patrick Mc. Grath	"	9.0	
John Fanning	"	15.0	
Edward Broaders	"	7.0	
John Whitty	out of possession	13.6	
John Connick	Wm St	13.0	
Timothy Coghlan	"	10.6	
Anne Ryan	Church Lane	14.9	
James Norris		9.3	
Ellen Donovan		7.0	
Richard Wickham		8.6	
Edward Whitham		8.6	

Patrick Connors of Mary St, states that he will not pay the Town Rate until a flag that is broken at the front of his door is repaired which had been ordered to be done twelve months ago.

There are some persons that refuse to pay me the Town Rate until the

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end of March therefore I cannot close my books until that time.

John J. Browne.

Ordered

That the Town Surveyor have the flag outside Mr Obonnor's pet.

That proceedings be taken against all persons who refuse to pay Town Rate until the end of March.

A proposal was received from Joseph Allen of Bullawn for the tenancy of a house belonging to the Council situated on the Bullawn, and he offered Miss Obonnor of South St as surety, and deposited four weeks rent.

Proposed by Mr Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr Phelan

That Joseph Allen be accepted tenant of the house.

Passed Unanimously

Finance Committee Report

Your Finance Committee met to-day and recommended payment of undermentioned (see list at commencement of minutes).

The collectors have not completed their collection, we have not funds for about ten days to pay all the accounts at other side without overdrawing our Bank account by about £100 .. 0 .. 0. We suggest the Co Council cheque be not forwarded for ten days when sufficient funds will be in hands to meet all claims, in the meantime we request our collectors to have all the Rates collected and accounts closed not later than 15th. March.

Mr William Cummins demand for refund of overpaid rent, our Solicitor advise in this case that he is entitled to the same amounting £2 .. 15 .. 0 for six years rent and we recommend payment of same.

For the information of the Council that about five years ago £25 .. 5 .. 6 was expended on improvements and repairs of Patrick Kehoe's house.

Signed

John S. Hearn
David Murphy

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Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Phelan

"That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted, the payments recommended by them be made, and that a Paying Order in favour of Mr Wm. Cummins be issued for £2..15..6 being a refund of six years rent portion of Annual rent paid for property which cannot be located, and which our Solicitor has advised the Council are legally bound to refund."

Passed Unanimously

Town Surveyors Reports

7th February

Gentlemen,

I got the repairs and pinning up of the garden wall of Wickham's house, William St carried out as directed, the cost is £2..13..0.

I estimate the cost of taking up and resetting about 37 feet lineal of the footway in Quay St at Dunphy's corner, putting in a new circular piece of chiselled granite, opening ground and laying 5 or 6 yards of piping including channel grating and brick catch-pit at about £6..10..0.

It would probably be necessary to put in a small strong grating on the quay side also. This work I think should come before a quarterly meeting for sanction.

Three boatloads of Dunganstown stones and one of limestones were delivered for street metalling. In my opinion more of the limestones should be got, those from Dunganstown are not so satisfactory.

Thomas Byrne

14th February 1906

Gentlemen,

I got set to-day the additional trap ordered by the Co Surveyor for the footway at the bridge outside Mr John Kough's premises.

Surgeon General Cherry, on request from me, is getting cut the overhanging boughs on the field at the east side of the Brewell road.

Additional limestones ought to be got in for road metalling.

Thomas Byrne.

Ordered

That the question of repairing footway and repairing drain at

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Dunphy's corner be adjourned to the Quarterly meeting.

That the contractor for limestones be requested to supply more limestones, and that Michael Hunt Dunganstown be directed not to Quarry any more stones for the present as the Council do not require them just now.

The letter received from Mr Hunt, in reference to enlargement of Dunganstown Quay, was considered but, in view of the preceding order, it was decided not to take any action upon it.

The Clerk stated that Mr Elmes Rochestown, called to the office and offered to supply Ballymacar Quarry stones broken, at 5/- per ton, but the meeting directed, the Council did not require any at present.

Ordered

That a Town Court Order Book be procured.

That the watering car be painted and repaired.

That new eave shutes be fixed on Shambles if necessary, and the roof of same repaired.

Proposed by Mr Phelan and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That Mr Wm Ly. Williams be elected a member of the School attendance committee instead of Mr John S. Hearn J.P. resigned."

Passed Unanimously

A discussion took place respecting the dis-employment of Larry Whelan and Walter Duggan, two men who were engaged in the John St quarry, who are temporary employed on the streets since the Quarring was dis-continued. The Chairman questioned the Foreman as to the number of men employed last year, during which it transpired that those are extra men as compared with last year. It was therefore

Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Williams "That these two men be dis-employed on to -

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morrow evening, the Clerk to be empowered to keep them on for a few days if necessary.

Passed Mr Hand dissenting

The following Notices of Motion were handed in, and it was ordered: that the members of the Council be summoned to consider them Viz:- By Mr Hand:- "That a lamp be erected in the vicinity of Wexford St."
By Mr Phelan:- "That a lamp be erected nearly opposite wher Mr. White lives in Rosbercon".
By Mr Dunphy:- "That the system of charging four weeks rent to be lodged with the Council be rescinded and that a charge of two weeks rent be lodged until such time as the Sureties have signed the bond such lodgment to be credited to the incoming tenant."

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 28th February 1906.

John S Stearn

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Wednesday 28th February 1906

A meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith, also to elect a member of the Technical Instruction Committee in room of Br. O'Farrell resigned, and consider notices of motion by Messrs Phelan, Dunphy, and Hand, as entered on the Minutes of last meeting.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman presiding
Michael Freaney
Peter Dunphy
William G. Williams
Samuel Hill
John Hand
James Phelan
and
Patrick Dunphy.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Dunphy and Wm. Geo Williams, and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-
No 69 — Messrs Firm Petty Cash £22.4.3

The Secretary, Department of Agriculture, wrote acknowledging receipt of List of members of Technical Instruction Committee for New Ross Urban District.

An application was received from Mary Conway, High Hill, for recommendation for apartments in Infirmity Hospital, and it was ordered to be placed with the other applications to be considered when the Council receive a communication from the Secretary of the Hospital.

Mr Edwd. Meehan Irishtown wrote offering 7/8 for heap of road Scrapings at Corner of Rosheen-na-Slavon, and it was ordered to be accepted.

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Mrs Mary Lawlor Rosbercon wrote in reference to her proposal for Manure, received at last Meeting, that she only offered 7/6 for the two heaps of manure, instead of for each heap, but she now increased her offer to 15/= for the two, and it was unanimously accepted.

A letter was received from The Surveyor, General Post Office, stating that the Lamp Letter Box, at the end of Sugar Ho Lane, was removed in compliance with the wishes of the Comal, and a wall Box substituted.

A circular letter was received from The Fire Ark, and General Insurance Company Ltd., pointing out the advantages of insuring with it, under the Municipal Profit Sharing Scheme, but there was no Order made.

The Secretary of The Gaelic League, Dublin, wrote expressing a hope that the Comal will do all in their power to make St Patrick's day a General Holiday, and suggested that efforts should be made to induce publicans to close their houses on that day, and where a fair or market falls on that day, it should be postponed.
The Clerk was directed to inform the Secretary that St Patrick's Day is, and has been for a number of years, a general Holiday in New Ross, and that public houses are closed in it on that, and no fair or market is held upon it.

A circular letter was received from the Secretary of the Town Tenants Association intimating that a Meeting of the General Executive, and of Representatives of Urban, and District Comals, will be held on Friday, 5th March, in the Oak Room, Mansion House, to consider the present position of Tenants, and adopt suggestions for the better protection of them in their holdings, and requesting that the Comal may be represented.
From the discussion which ensued, it seemed to be inconvenient for any of the Members present to attend, although there was a unanimous expression of approval of the objects of the Meeting; and the Clerk was directed to convey this to the Secretary, as well as, a copy of the following

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resolution which, on the motion of Mr Peter Murphy, seconded by Mr Hand, was unanimously adopted viz:- "That this
"Council desires to impress upon His Majesty's "
"Government the great necessity which exists for "
"legislation being undertaken in the present Session "
"of Parliament, on behalf of the Town Tenants of "
"Ireland, such legislation to be on the lines indicated "
"by the Town Tenants Association"

A letter was received from Mr William Cummins acknowledging receipt of Paying Order for £2-15-6, being a refund of six years rent, and thanking the Council for the Steps taken to have his name expunged from list of Comical tenants, and arrears Cancelled.

Town Surveyor's Report

28th February 1906

Herewith I submit report on repairs to house property referred to me.

The broken flag outside Mr Connor's Shop, Quay St, which you directed to have replaced, will require, in my opinion, a chiselled granite flag 5.0"x 2. 0" instead of a Shankill flag as the thickness the latter can be had at is too light. The flags Mr Power has on the Quay at present are very thin.

Some shoots at the Shambles Complained of by Mr Hamilton, and which you directed to have repaired House belonged to Mr Delaney's house, and which he has put to rights.

There was a large number of loose and missing slates on the roofs around the Shambles which I got repaired and the loose tiles pointed.

There are some loose flags removed from footway in Quay St where some work was recently done at the tanks. the flags seem to have been badly set.

Two boatloads of Dungarvan stones, one of limestone, and one of gravel have been got in during the fortnight.

The Street Inspector was called before the Meeting and questioned as to the setting of the flags complained of by the Town Surveyor as they

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were set under his supervision. He explained that the ground was freshly filled in and that according as it sunk or got solid the flags sunk also. It was agreed to defer the re-setting of them for the present, and the Surveyor was authorized to obtain a flag from Mrr Quigley, to be set in Mary St. Opposite Mrr O'Connor's.

It was also Ordered that the Clerk write to Messrs Cotter & Gethin and request them to have the purchase agreement signed by Messrs Thorpe and Delaney at once.

Street Inspector's Report.

The Street Inspector reported that the plug over the water Cock at East end of Charles St, has become too small for the hole it should be replaced by a new one or an iron band put around it to keep it level with the surface.

The letter box has been removed from the lamp at Fox's Corner and a new box fixed in the South wall of Sugar Loaf Lane.

As he is responsible for the material in the Council's stores (having been appointed Store Keeper) and as material is taken from the Store without his leave or knowledge, he would ask the Council to Compel the Officer, or other person removing same to report to him the Amount of material taken and for what purpose, so as to enable him to enter same in Store Book, otherwise it will be impossible to keep the Store Book as intended. He also reported on the condition of the town, which was, on the whole, very Satisfactory.

Ordered

That John Rough be requested to fix an iron ring around the Stone Water plug in Charles St.

That an order be given to the Store Keeper, for the goods required out of the Store, before anything can be removed from it.

The consideration of the Notices of Motion, handed in at last Meeting, was next taken up, and the following was proposed by Mrr Hand viz: "That a lamp be erected in the vicinity of Wexford St".

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After considerable discussion it was agreed to postpone the further consideration of the matter to a future date, and Dr Hand withdrew his resolution on the understanding that it would not be opposed at a more opportune time.

In view of the decision arrived at respecting this lamp Dr Phelan did not move the resolution, of which he had given notice, asking "that a lamp be erected nearly opposite Fr White's gate in Rosbercon, but deferred it for the present.

Proposed by Dr Dunphy and
Seconded by Dr Hand

That the resolution of the Council previously passed, requiring four weeks rent to be lodged by each applicant for one of the Council's houses, be rescinded, and that in future two weeks rent only be lodged, same to be credited to the tenant as soon as his sureties have signed the necessary Bond

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Dr Peter Dunphy and
Seconded by Dr Dunphy

"That Revd. Dr Gregan be"
"elected a member of the Technical Instruction Committee"
"for the Urban District, in the room of Revd. Dr O'Farrel"
"who has resigned

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 14th March 1906

John L Kearns

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Wednesday 14th March 1906

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held this day at 6.30 Oclock P.M. to consider Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1907, calcal uncollectable weekly and yearly tenants rents, and transact business of the Committee for the stated Finance Meeting of the Council

Present Messrs John S Hearn J.P.
David Murphy
Peter Murphy
James J Glorman
and
James D Hearn

The Clerk submitted his Estimate of Poor Rate for year ending 31st March 1907 from which it appeared that a Poor Rate of 2/3 would require to be made for the service of the year.

After some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Glorman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy "That the Clerk's estimate of Poor Rate now before us be adopted"

Passed unanimously

The Committee also examined the yearly, and weekly tenants rentals and directed that the Council be asked to Cancel arrears due by John Comick, and also arrears appearing against Mr Cummins, as their Solicitor advised that it could not be recovered owing to the inability of the Council to locate the property out of which the rent was payable. They also considered that his name should be expunged from the list of tenants. Having examined a Number of bills presented for payment, and prepared their report the Committee adjourned.

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Wednesday 14th March 1906

A meeting of The Newbridge Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts Connected therewith, also to Consider tenders for the Supply of a horse and Cart for One Year.

Present Messrs John S Kearns J.P. Presiding
James Kearns
James J O'Gorman
John Dowd
Samuel Hill
Peter Murphy
Patrick Dudphy
Joseph Rocke
John Fanning
Wm G. Williams
David Murphy

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs James J O'Gorman and Peter Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 70	Patrick Carroll Raheen		£4-1-0
" 71	John J Browne		28-8-9
" 72	"	Same	3-11-1
" 73	"	Stephen Carroll	3-17-0
" 74	"	Dr J Finn	25-0-0
" 75	"	Same Petty Cash	19-3-4
" 76	"	John Dobin	3-2-6
" 77	"	Thomas Hogan	1-4-0
" 78	"	Michael Hunt	1-19-8
" 79	"	John Falconer	15-0
" 80	"	Thos Byrne	4-16-8

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81- St Stephen's Cemetery Committee £6-12-3

A Cheque for £5-3-9 was received from Messrs Coffey Gethin & Co being Interest on purchase money of Mr Delaney, from 29th September last to 10th February, and it was ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Comal.

A proposal was received from Messrs Doyle Bros., for the supply of limestones, at £2-4-0 per boatload, and the Clerk stated he had ordered five boatloads as ordered at a previous meeting, this being the Contract price, and it was approved of.

Applications were received James Flynn, James Keilthy, and Edward Broaders, three of the Councils workmen, for a suit of Oilclothes each, and on the proposal of Mr Williams, seconded by Mr Hand, it was ordered that they be procured for them.

A circular letter was received from Edward Bunoomby asking if the Comal would become subscribers to "The Irish Juristic and Local Government Review" but there was no order made upon it. Nor upon a similar letter received from the London Assurance Corporation asking the Council to consider the advisability of transferring their Fire Insurance to them.

A circular letter was also received from Messrs Tomlinson and Mills, Engineers, drawing attention to their designs for cottages, but there was no order made upon it.

The Commissioner of Valuation wrote, under date the 28th February, notifying that he had forwarded the Valuation lists of the Urban District, and the Clerk stated that he had received same, and got the necessary Notices, in connection with them published, and this was approved of.

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Proposals for the supply of a horse, cart, and Smart Man, for one year, were received from Philip Hartley @ 23/= per week and as sureties he offered James Sutton Braidlins, and John Redmond, Irishtown; from Martin Hand at 24/= per week, but offered no sureties, and Thomas Hogan at 21/= per week naming as his sureties Michael Walsh Mount Elliott, and Michael Dunphy Irishtown.

Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That Mr Hand's proposal be accepted"

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy

"That Mr Hogan's proposal be accepted"

On a poll being taken there Voted For -
Mr Hogan's - Messrs Roche, J. B. Hearn, Dunphy, David Dunphy, Peter Dunphy, Williams, Gorman, and the Chairman 8
For Mr Hand's proposal - Messrs Fanning and Hand 2
Mr Hill declined to vote. The Chairman declared Mr Hogan's proposal accepted.

The following was read :-

Finnerary
Roberton 6th March 1906

Gentlemen

I beg leave to inform you that I met with an accident on February 7th 1906 whilst working at stones at depot in Roberton! A splinter of a stone struck me in the eye and I am idle for five weeks under doctor's care. I hope you will see your way to compensate me for the time I was idle.

Your Obedient Servant
John Power
Stone breaker

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Mr Fanning proposed, and Mr Hand seconded that Power get Compensation, but at the suggestion of Mr J. Deane, the matter was referred to the Council's Solicitor to advise as to their liability in the matter, and the Finance Committee was directed to Consider the advisability of having all the employees of the Council insured.

The Clerk stated that Dr Kavanagh applied verbally for the use of the large Room on Thursday evening, for the purpose of holding a Meeting in it, and the application was unanimously granted.

Mr Hanning drew attention to a complaint made by Mr O'Farrell, respecting the Condition of the water Channel outside his premises in Bewley St, and the Street Inspector was directed to report upon it to next Meeting of the Council.

At the suggestion of Mr Hand it was ordered that the footpath leading from Brook Lane to William Street be metalled the Town Surveyor to give the necessary directions to the Foreman as to the proper Material for metalling it, and also take the necessary steps to have a new footpath Constructed in William St alongside the Council's houses, same to be dealt with at next Quarterly Meeting of the Council.

A discussion took place respecting the advisability of erecting a weighing Machine for weighing fat Cattle, or the possibility of having them weighed on the existing public weighbridge, and the matter was eventually referred to the Meeting of the Street Committee to be held on Monday next for report.

The Clerk reported that the Contract for the supply of limestone would expire on the 31st Inst, and he was directed to issue advertisements for the supply of them, at per boatload of Seventeen tons, for one year, proposals to be considered at next Meeting of the Council, and Advertisements to state that the Council reserve the right

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to weigh the boatloads of stones, and if found to contain less than the Specified quantity, the cost of weighing them shall be paid by the Contractor.

Report of Finance Committee.

Your Finance Committee met this day (March 14th '06) and recommend payment of the following accounts,

(See list at commencement of Minutes)

and that the sum of 13/= due by J Connick for rent of house be cancelled. Our Solicitors have advised that Mr Cummins name be struck off the list of Tenants, being unable to locate property, We recommend same.

Rent due by Mr Hand to be collected from his surety.

E Broaders to pay rent when getting his wages and 3/= per week in addition for arrears.

Mrs Donovan to have rent collected and Surety procured

John L Deane
Peter Murphy

Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr J D Deane

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, and the payments recommended by them be made, also that the arrears of rent due by John Connick be Cancelled, amounting to 13/=, and that the yearly rent, appearing as Arrears against Mr Wm Cummins, be Cancelled, and his name struck off the list of yearly tenants, as the Council, being unable to locate the property for which he paid rent, cannot compel him to continue to pay it.

Passed Unanimously

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The Clerk reported that he had employed a temporary man for a few days to assist the other men in properly cleansing the town, and removing the mud off the streets, as the foreman stated that he wanted one badly. This was approved of, and it was Ordered that he be kept on for a few days more, or during the continuance of the present wet weather.

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he inspected the town daily, and found the streets and lanes clean on some days and on others dirty. There is a piece of granite loose in the footpath in Priory Lane, and also a flag in the same condition at the Railway gates Roscrea. He had the plug over the stop-cock at Charles St put right. Patrick Minkella Con O'Brien and Mary Breen of John St are in the habit of throwing ashes on the streets, and the former had two barrels of herrings outside his premises daily for the past fortnight. Matthew Hutchinson has a machine on footpath each day since last Meeting, and there is also machinery deposited in Brennan's Lane

Ordered

That the piece of granite be re-set in footpath in Priory Lane, and the attention of the Railway be be drawn to the loose flag at the Railway gates.

That Patrick Minkella be informed legal proceedings will be taken against him if he does not desist from depositing barrels on the footpath or street; and that Mrs Hennessy and Mr Hutchinson be informed serious notice will be taken of their action if the do not dis-continue placing machinery in the streets.

He also reported that there was a dangerous hole in Lady Lane, and a dangerous Wall at the East side of Wickham's house

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in William St. It was agreed to defer the paving of the hole in Lady Lane until the foreman would have time to do it. Ined it was Ordered that the Town Surveyor report upon the Condition of the dangerous wall which a committee, who recently visited the place, failed to discover.

The following resolution, proposed by Mr Fanning, was unanimously passed and a copy ordered to be forwarded to Peter French Esq M.P. and John E. Redmond Esq M.P. Viz:- "That we the Members"
"of the New Ross Urban District Council at our"
"fortnightly Meeting assembled respectfully,"
"but earnestly, request our Parliamentary repre-"
"-sentative, Mr French to vote for, and support"
" the clauses of the Town Tenants (Ireland) Bill"
" of the Irish Parliamentary party, when it comes"
" up for debate in the House of Commons."

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 28th March 1906

John L Kearn

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Wednesday 28th March 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith, also to consider Town Surveyor's Plans and Estimates for draining Meyler's Pond, and Rookery, and take such action thereon as may be deemed advisable, proposals for supply of limestones for year ending 31st March 1907, also to consider, and if deemed advisable, adopt Clerk's Estimates of Poor Rate, and Town Rate, for Financial year ending 31st March 1907.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman Presiding
Peter Murphy
Wm G. Williams
James Phelan
Joseph Roche
John Hand
and
David Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Peter Murphy and Wm G. Williams and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 82 M. J. Flinn (Petty Cash) £ 19 .. 13 .. 2

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

offices,
New Ross, 28th March 1906.

re-sale to Messrs Thorpe & Delaney

Dear Sir,

Mr Thorpe has now signed his purchase agreement and has paid £ 13 .. 5 .. 2 interest in lieu of rent to 10th February last the date of the agreement and we now enclose cheque in your favour for that amount.

We enclose the two purchase agreements which please have sealed by the council and signed by the presiding Chairman and two members of the council present and you should counterign them. Before this is done a resolution to have the documents perfected in this manner should be passed and we enclose a draft of the resolution. We are sending our assistant Mr Connolly to the meeting to

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explain where the agreements are to be sealed and signed and he will witness them.

Yours truly,
Colfer & Lyethin.

The following cheque for £13-5-2 was received and ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council, Viz: rent from Mr Thorpe. per Colfer & Lyethin.

The following are a copy of the agreements referred to in the foregoing letter.

Agreement between Vendor and a Tenant for sale of a Holding.
Irish Land Commission
Estates Commissioners

An Agreement made the Tenth day of February 1906 between The New Ross Urban District Council of New Ross in the County of Wexford, the Vendors of the Holding described in the First Schedule hereto, and Richard J. Thorpe of Ballyrue in the said County of Wexford, & Farmer, the Tenant in occupation of the said Holding.

I In case an Estate of which the said holding forms a part shall be sold under the provisions of the Irish Land Act, 1903, the Vendors hereby agree to sell and the Tenant hereby agrees to purchase the said holding for the sum of £1032.

II The said holding is now held by the said Tenant at the annual rent of £48-0-0 payable under a judicial tenancy created by order dated the 4th May 1888 Record No 1969.

III The Tenant hereby applies to the Irish Land Commission for an advance of the sum of £1032 —— for the purpose of such purchase to be repaid by an annuity of £33-10-9 payable as by the Irish Land Act, 1903, provided.

IIII It is hereby agreed that the Irish Land Commission may, if they consider it equitable, treat the said holding as a holding subject to a judicial Rent fixed since the passing of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896.

V The said holding shall be vested in the Tenant in fee-simple, subject as hereinafter mentioned and as provided by the Irish Land Act, 1903.

VI The exclusive right of mining and taking minerals within the meaning of the said Act, and of digging and searching for the same is hereby reserved to and

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shall be vested in the Land Commission.

VII The Sporting rights within the meaning of the Irish Land Act, 1903, to which the Vendors are entitled over and upon the said holding exclusive of the Tenant shall be :—

(b) Vested in the Tenant

VIII Interest on the Purchase Money shall be payable to the Irish Land Commission at the rate of £3 - 10 - 0 per cent, per annum from the date of this agreement up to the date of the advance, and after that date until the day from which the purchase annuity begins, at such rate as the Treasury may prescribe.

IX The sale shall be carried out by means of a Vesting Order.

First Schedule

County of Wexford Barony of Bantry Electoral Division New Ross

Reference Number on Map	Ordnance Survey Names of Townlands (each on a seperate line)	area in Statute Measure of the portion of the Holding in each Townland			Tenement Valuation		
		A	R.	P.	£	S	D
23 and 24	Commons or Newtown	52	0	35	50	0	0

Signed and Sealed on behalf of the New Ross Urban District Council in presence of
Name
Address
Occupation

Signature of Vendors John S. Hearn Presiding Chairman
Peter Murphy } Two other members present at the
Wm. Geo Williams } Meeting

countersigned Matthew J. Flinn Town Clerk

signed by the Purchaser in presence of (the agreement having first been read and explained to him in my presence) and I know the tenant.
Name W. H. Hearn
Address New Ross
Occupation Sol.r

Signature of Tenant Richard J. Thorpe
Postal Address New Ross Co Wexford
Occupation or Description farmer

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I Richard J. Thorpe the before mentioned Tenant say:
The particulars in the foregoing Agreement and Schedule are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. There is not any person in occupation of said holding as Tenant or otherwise save as mentioned in the following Schedule:-

Second Schedule

Names of the persons in occupation as Under-Tenants or otherwise	area in statute measure of portion sublet	Rent (if any) payable by such occupiers	Tenure or Nature of occupancy
	A. R. P.	£ S. D	
Anastatia Reeves	none	1 .. 0	weekly tenancy
Mary Treacy	"	1 .. 6	"

I have not obtained from or (except by this Agreement) applied to the Irish Land Commission for an advance of any sum for the purchase of any land save as follows:- part of the lands of Ballyrue upper situate in the Barony of Bantry and County of Wexford and formerly held by me from Charles Tottenham for a term of years then expired and lives one of whom was then alive, nor is there any advance under the Land Purchase Acts now repayable by me, save as follows:- that is to say the present annual instalment of £59 .. 13 .. 4, payable in respect of the said lands of Ballyrue Upper.

Signature of Tenant Richard J. Thorpe

Signed by the Tenant in the
presence of (the Agreement
having first been read and
explained to him in my presence)
and I know the tenant.
Name W. H. Hearn

If the tenant wishes to be represented in the proceedings by a Solicitor, he must be so represented at his own expense; if so, here insert the name and address of such Solicitor.

Name W. H. Hearn
address New Ross

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Mr Delaney's Agreement was also received for signature, the area described in it being $\overset{a}{7} \cdot \overset{R}{0} \cdot \overset{P}{2}$, the valuation £10, and the annual rent £18-7-6.

Purchase Money applied for £400 to be repaid by an annuity of £13-2-7. The lands are held under a parol contract of tenancy from year to year the commencement of which is unknown but which existed in and since the year 1865.

Proposed by Peter Murphy
Seconded by Wm Ly Williams and Resolved

That the agreements for sale of their holdings to Messrs Richard J. Thorpe and Patrick J. Delaney under the Irish Land Act 1903 be sealed with the corporate seal and signed ~~with~~ by the presiding Chairman and two members of the Council present and countersigned by the Clerk on behalf of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

In accordance with the foregoing resolution the agreements were signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Wm Lyo Williams, and countersigned by the Clerk, and sealed with the Seal of the Council.

Offices,
New Ross, 28th March 1906.

re Accident to John Power

Dear Sir,

In further reference to yours of 15th Inst, we understand from what you verbally conveyed to us that John Power was not a workman engaged by the Council for hire, but was occasionally engaged by the Council on contract to break a certain quantity of stones, and that it was in the course of carrying out such a contract he met with the accident complained of. On these facts we consider that he was a Contractor, and not a workman within the meaning of the Workmen's Compensation Acts, and that the Council are not legally liable to compensate him.

Yours truly,
Colfer & Gethin.

Ordered

That a copy of our Solicitor's letter be sent to John Power and he be informed the Council cannot comply with the request for Compensation contained in his previous letter, as they will render themselves liable to surcharge if they did.

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Estate office,
New Ross, 27th March 1906

Sir,

I beg to inform the New Ross Urban District Council that the Governing Body of the Trinity Hospital Charity will hold an adjourned meeting on Wednesday the 4th April next for the purpose of electing a fit and proper person to fill a vacancy in the said Hospital.

Please acknowledge receipt of this communication.

I am Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Hugh R. Hamilton.
Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy "That Mrs Mary Ryan, now a resident in one of the rooms of the hospital, who was previously recommended for admission be again recommended".

Passed Unanimously

Office, Surveyor of Income Tax.
Custom House, Waterford;
14th March 1906.

re New Ross Urban District
Council, Artizan's Dwellings

Dear Sir,

On examination of your claim, the Council appears to be entitled to re-payment as follows :-

1902 - 3	Interest £108 .. 18 .. 11	@ 1/3	=	£ 6 .. 16 .. 2
1903 - 4	" 109 .. 6 .. 11	@ 11d	=	5 .. 0 .. 2
1904 - 5	" 105 .. 5 .. 4	@ 1/-	=	5 .. 5 .. 3
		Total	£	17 .. 1 .. 7

I have instructed Mr Barr to discharge £5 .. 1 .. 3 for 1905 - 6 being the tax on £101 .. 4 .. 7 Interest.

Please let me know if you agree. You do not appear to have sent me the income tax receipt for £3 .. 15 .. 0, paid for 1903 - 4 on No. 1624 - 43. Please send me it as it is required in support of claim.

Yours faithfully,
M. Macleod.

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The Clerk stated that it was recently decided in the Courts that Councils were entitled to deduct from Income Tax a sum equal to that assessed on Interest paid on Loans; and he claimed for Amount paid, during last three years, as well as, a discharge for the present year and had succeeded in getting same.

The Council approved of his action in the matter.

The Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate of 2/3 in the £, for financial year ending 31st March 1907, which had already been adopted by the Finance Committee, was submitted to the meeting and considered after which the following resolution in reference to it was

Proposed by Mr Joseph Roche and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

"That the Clerks Estimate of Poor Rate for the service of the financial year ending 31st March 1907, now before us be adopted, and that he publish the necessary notice of our intention to make a poor rate, of 2/3 in the £, and take the necessary steps to enable said rate, to be made".

Passed Unanimously

A discussion took place respecting the purchase of a typewriter for the office and it was agreed to summon the members of the Council to consider the question at next meeting, the Clerk to obtain prices and particulars of some in the meantime.

Ordered

That the attention of the Surveyor be again directed to the kerbing in Priory Lane which requires to be re-set, and that he be also asked to report on the condition of a wall at William St reported to be dangerous.

A letter was received from Mr Peter F French M.P. acknowledging resolution passed by Council and stating that it will give him great pleasure to support the Town Tenants Bill.

The following was the only proposal received for the supply of limestones for year ending 31st March 1907.

I Walter Cleere of Robert St New Ross, do propose to supply limestones to New Ross Urban Council delivered on Quay at £2-6-0, per boatload of 17 tons and I name as my Securities Mr John Murphy Quay, and Mr J. Keppell Quay.

Walter Cleere

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The price stated, being 2/= more than last tender, the meeting decided not to accept it, but on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr Roche the Clerk was directed to order limestones from any persons who were willing to supply them for the last Contract price Viz:- £2..4..0 per boatload.

The Clerk reported that Mr Connolly was not prepared to cart rubbish in Maiden Lane to William St, to fill hole as ordered at last meeting, but would deposit it in the Quarry on High Hill if the Council wish. It was agreed not to take any action regarding it for the present as it can be used for street metalling later on.

A copy of the Urban (Transferred Business Procedure) Order 1906 was received from the Local Government Board and the Clerk was directed to attend to its provisions.

Street Inspectors Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he inspected the town daily and, on the whole found the streets and lanes clean but heaps of mud were allowed to remain in Mongarrett Lane, and Irishtown, from the 16th to the 19th Inst.

Stones spread on Maiden Lane (Little Hill) portion, and Sugar House Lane are far too large, he drew the attention of the foreman to them but he has not attended to them. Mr Hutchinson had machinery on the streets on three days but took them in on 26th Inst.

Mr Harrington had bales of cloth on the footpath outside his premises each day since last meeting, and Messrs Hearn & Son dust bins and trunks. Pat Miskella had been depositing ashes on the streets. He also complained that stones were removed from Fish House without his knowledge, also that he inspected the water table at Bewley St, and found that the portion of it by Mr O'Farrells is in good repair but lower down it would require to be repaired.

Ordered

That Messrs Hearn & Son remove dust bins &c from footpath.

No Order made in case of Mr Harrington or Mrs Fleming as the goods appeared to be in a recess and not causing any inconvenience.

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That Pat Miskella be informed serious notice will be taken of him if he does not cease putting ashes on streets.

That the attention of the Surveyor be directed to the stones which are reported to be too large.

That the water channel in Bewley St be repaired by the foreman, at his earliest convenience.

Mr Roche drew attention to the pump at Bosheen-na-slawn, the top of which was loose enabling boys to put stones in it, and it was ordered that the attention of the Contractor be directed to it.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 11th April 1906.

John L Deane

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A Quarterly meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7 oclock P.M. to consider the quarterly report of the Town Surveyor and Annual Estimate for the maintenance of streets and roads for the year ending 31st March 1907, also an application by Messrs Michael Shanahan, James Phelan, and James G. Dooley, Rosbercon, "to build in stone and cement, the gap in wall of Waterford road at graving-bank the same height as outside breast wall – about two cubic yards – at a cost of about £2-15-0, and to set three mouth and flap drains under footway to Railway station – cost about £2-5-0; to consider a recommendation to construct a new footpath in William St, alongside the houses owned by the Council, and also advisability of repairing and piping portion of surface water channel at Dunphy's corner, Quay St, at a cost of about £6-10-0".

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
James J. O'Gorman
James Phelan
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
Samuel Hill
John Hand
John Meehan
Wm G. Williams

The minutes of previous Quarterly meeting were read and signed

The following Quarterly Report of the Town Surveyor was read for Quarter ending 31st March 1906.

The Streets and roads of the District did not during the quarter receive the attention in labour and metalling for their proper up-keep that my estimate provided, this is especially so in the Ross Ward where many of the principal roads were poorly attended to and some of the back streets hardly at all.

Rosbercon Ward seems to be well looked after, in fact, proportionately it gets far more than its due share in street maintenance.

I beg to submit my estimate for the year ending 31st March 1906. The application sent in from three ratepayers of Rosbercon is a necessary work and the sum asked for not too much.

Thomas Byrne
Town Surveyor.

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The following is the Annual Estimate for the maintenance of streets and roads for the year ending 31st. March 1907.

Perches	cube yards		Rate	Amount		
266	175	between John St cross and district bounds. Irishtown. (M. R.)	5/=	66	10	0
361	361	Greywell to Newtown bounds	7/=	126	7	0
396	250	Robert St, Michael St, Neville St, Mary St, Bewley St, and Quay.	4/6	89	2	0
74	50	Wexford St, and Wexford road.	4/=	14	16	0
709	350	back streets	3/=	106	7	0
155	40	Bosheen road	2/-	15	10	0
61	30	Cockpit Lane to Cross Irishtown	3/6	10	13	6
64	20	Poor House road	2/-	6	8	0
34	15	Nash road	2/6	4	5	0
35	10	head of college road to bounds	1/6	2	12	6
		Roberton				
97	70	Waterford road	5/=	24	5	0
146	70	Roberton St &c to bounds	3/6	25	11	0
113	20	Back road	9^d.	4	4	9
			£	496	11	9

Thomas Byrne
Town Surveyor.

Proposed by Mr Hill and
Seconded by Mr Phelan

"That Town Surveyors Quarterly Report and Annual Estimate be adopted."

Passed Unanimously

A discussion took place respecting the irregular and limited supply of lime-stone received last year and resulted in the following resolution

Proposed

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Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That the Clerk be authorized and directed to order lime-stones from any person willing to supply same at a price not exceeding 44/= per boatload, and that he get a supply in during the Summer and have them broken so that they may be ready for spreading in the streets in proper time."

Passed Unanimously

The following Estimate for making concrete footpath in front of new range of Houses in William St, was received from Surveyor.

No 20	Filling the spaces between existing concrete landings outside the front doors with cement concrete 1 to 4 of St Mullins gravel 3 inches thick on 2 inches clean broken stones to pass through a 2" ring and finished with ½" of 1 of cement to 1 of washed sand trowelled on surface and protected by boarding for 2 weeks.	17/=	17	0	0
" 10	Add for dishing under down pipes and forming channel.			10	0
		£	17	10	0
	The above if carried out would leave the path only 3 feet wide which I do not approve of, the path should be at least 4'·4" or 4'·6" wide and to have a surface channel of concrete outside with a trap and pipes to connect with inspection chamber, at head of footpath. The additional cost would be about ———		13	0	0

Thomas Byrne,
Town Surveyor.

Proposed by Mr Glorman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

"That this work be not carried out."

Passed Unanimously

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The following application was considered

We the undersigned Ratepayers in the Rosbercon Ward of the New Ross Urban Council District being of the opinion that the periodical flooding of the streets in Rosbercon by the river should be prevented, ask the New Ross Urban District Council at their next quarterly meeting to be held April 11th 1906, to make an order to have the following works done at a cost not exceeding £5-0-0.

To build in stone and cement the gap in wall of Waterford road at graving-bank, the same height as outside breast wall about two cubic yards :— £2-15-0

To set three mouth and flap drain pipes under footway to Railway station. £2-5-0

£5-0-0

Michael Shanahan
James Phelan
J. G. Dooley.

Proposed by Mr Phelan and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That this application be passed, and that the work be carried out by Town Surveyor."

Passed Unanimously

The advisability of repairing the drain at Dunphy's corner in accordance with the specification and Estimate received from the Town Surveyor at meeting held on 14th February was considered, and it was

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

"That the repairs to the drain at Dunphy's corner be carried out by the Town Surveyor, and that he also get the flags in footpath outside the National Bank and Workmen's Club re-set".

Passed Unanimously

A discussion took place respecting the construction of new street crossings, some of which have been approved of by County Council, and also of repairing existing

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ones, as there will be no main roads in future, the Urban Council would now have to bear the entire expense of the street crossings and it was agreed to refer the matter to a meeting of the street Committee, to be held on Monday 23rd Inst. for report.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That the Quarterly meetings of the Council for year ending 31st March 1907, be held on the second Wednesday in the months July and October, 1906, and January and April 1907, at 4 o'clock P.M."

Passed Unanimously

The meeting adjourned

John Shearer

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A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to decide upon purchasing a Typewriter for office, also question of manure depot, and if deemed advisable adopt Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate for year ending 31st March 1907.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
James J. Glorman
James Phelan
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
Samuel Hill
John Hand
John Meehan
Wm. Jno. Williams

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy

No 1	John Cogley	Enniscorthy		£1 .. 5 .. 0
.. 2	Patrick Leacy	NewRoss		8 .. 12 .. 3
.. 3	James Barron	..		19 .. 12 .. 5
.. 4	M. J. Flinn	..		23 .. 19 .. 9
.. 5	George W. Carr	..		2 .. 6 .. 9
.. 6	Treasurer Waterford & NewRoss Port San Authority			7 .. 10 .. 0
.. 7	N. Harvey & Co	Waterford		3 .. 15 .. 0
.. 8	Hely's Ltd.	Dublin		10 .. 0
.. 9	Gas Co	NewRoss		80 .. 12 .. 4
.. 10	Joseph Freeman	..		12 .. 6
.. 11	W. & H. Hartrick	..		2 .. 6
.. 12	Margaret Roche	Ballyanne	NewRoss	28 .. 12 .. 0
.. 13	John J. Browne		..	6 .. 2 .. 3
.. 14	same		..	7 .. 6
.. 15	M. J. Flinn	NewRoss		1 .. 9 .. 9

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No 16	M. J. Flinn	New Ross	£6 . 5 . 0
.. 17	Thomas Byrne	..	5 . 1 . 8
.. 18	Walter Cleere	..	2 . 4 . 0

A Post Office Order value £14 . 1 . 7 being refund of Income Tax was received from the Comptroller of Taxes and ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

Local Government Board. Dublin,
7th April 1906.

Sir,

With reference to previous correspondence on the subject of the collection of the Poor Rate in the Urban District of New Ross; I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to request that you will be good enough to furnish them with a Return showing the state of the collection to the end of March.

I am, at the same time, to request that you will state on the Return in question, in red ink, whether the collection for the past half-year is now closed.

I am Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,
H. Courtenay.
Assistant Secretary.

The Clerk
Urban District Council
New Ross

Ordered That the Clerk furnish the return as requested.

A letter was received from The Commissioner of Valuation asking to have any appeals that were received sent on, and the Clerk reported that he informed him there were none received, and this was approved of.

A Circular letter was received from the Local Government Board asking for a return of the names and Salaries of the several officers of the Council and the Clerk was directed to have the Form filled up, and returned as soon as possible.

A memo was received from F. B. O'Keeffe, advertising Agent, 10 D'Olier St Dublin, soliciting any advertisments that the Council may require to have inserted in various newspapers, but there was no order made upon it.

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19 North St.
New Ross, 2nd April 1906.

Dear Sir/

I beg to apply to your Council, for a Renewal of License for my Gunpowder store, situate at Maiden Lane, and also a Renewal for my Registered Premises for the sale of Gunpowder and mixed Explosives, at North St, New Ross.

Your Obedient Servant.
George Moran.

Proposed by Mr P. Murphy and
Seconded by Mr O'Gorman

"That Mr George Moran be granted a renewal of his License for his Gunpowder store, and of his registered Premises for the sale of Gunpowder and mixed Explosives".

Passed Unanimously.

Estate Office,
New Ross, 4th April 1906.

Sir/

With reference to your letter dated 29th March last, I have to inform you that at the meeting of the Governing Body of the Trinity Hospital Charity held this day; Mrs Mary Ryan was appointed as a fit and proper person to fill the vacancy in the Hospital.

Referring to yours of the 16th December 1905 as to appointments to vacant rooms without pension, I have also to inform you that there are no vacant rooms at present, but if your Council will recommend any persons to fill vacancies that may occur, such recommendation will receive due consideration at the meeting of the Governing Body.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
Hugh R. Hamilton,
Secretary.

No Order made

A notification was received from The Railway Passengers Assurance Co per their Agent, Mr Exshaw, that the renewal premium on E. L. Policy No W- 23334 will

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fall due on 29th April 1906, but as this is the Policy covering the men who worked in the John St Quarry, it was not considered necessary to renew the Policy, as Quarrying there had been dis-continued as was not likely to be resumed again.

A Notification was received from the Gas Co stating that they intended opening the street outside the late Mr Power's Priory St, but there was no order made.

L.P. Meehan Shanbough, applied for work at stone breaking, but there was no order made respecting the application, the Clerk having been already directed to get all the stones broken at the usual price allowed for each loadload.

Dublin Castle,
21st March 1906.

No 1859

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to transmit to you, for your information as the Local Authority under the Petroleum Act, 1871, the enclosed copies of Regulations dated respectively the 18th March 1903, and the 11th February 1905, which have been made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department under Section 5 of the Locomotives on Highways Act, 1896, as to the keeping and use of Petroleum for the purposes of Light Locomotives.

I am at the same time to enclose, for your guidance, a copy of a memorandum which has been prepared in the Home office, showing the conditions suggested to be included in Licenses for retail dealers in Petroleum.

I am Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant,
J.B. Dougherty.

Copies of Regulations referred to were received

Ordered That the consideration of this letter be adjourned to next meeting, the Clerk to report upon same to it.

Report of Rent Collector

I beg to report that the weekly tenants are paying their rents satisfactorily.
Patrick Kehoe Irishtown, makes a complaint that he require an open range in the kitchen. Timothy Carthy William St, makes a complaint that there is one pane

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of glass broken in the back of the house. Mrs Merrigan makes a complaint that she require a new grate upstairs, latch on door, also one pane of glass broken in the rere of the house.

Your obedient Servant,
John J. Browne.
Collector.

The committee who sometime ago inspected Mr Kehoe's house did not consider that a Range was required in kitchen, and the application, now made through the collector, was accordingly refused, as was also the application of Timothy Carthy for a pane of glass in back window of house.

It was ordered that Messrs Hand and Meehan inspect house occupied by Mrs Merrigan and report whether improvements applied for are necessary.

It was also ordered that the clerk inform those tenants who have not security that if they do not enter into a bond with surety for the payment of their rent, the Council will have to take steps to obtain possession of the houses occupied by them.

A circular letter was received from Messrs Hely's Ltd. stating that the new Urban Ledger in connection with The Ellis Series, have now been prepared for Urban Districts in compliance with the Public Bodies order and are offered made up in Superior Building at £4-4-0 each.

No Order made

Messrs A. Thom & Co wrote stating that the Paying Order Books kept in stock are all numbered from 1 to 100, one of which they had forwarded stamped, the other could be numbered specially with the numbers commencing at 101 at an increased cost of 1/=, and it was agreed that it be procured.

Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met this day and recommended payment of undermentioned accounts (see list at commencement of minutes). We

recommend that Mr James Barron be refunded £2..10..7 subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, also that a Barlock typewriter be purchased for office at the cost of £19..13..3.

We recommend that same property belonging to the Council not already insured be insured in the Patriotic or Sun. We recommend that the amount of Poor Rate outstanding £15..0..7 be cancelled.

We recommend that the amount of 15/= pipe water rent be cancelled and the amount of 7/6 be carried forward.

James J. Glynman
John S. Hearn

Proposed by Mr Hill and
Seconded by Mr Meehan

"That Mr James Barron Poor Rate collector, be refunded £2..10..7 subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, being Poor Rate lodged by him out of premises at Fair Gate in the possession of Michael Gannon, and which he was unable to realise owing to no goods being obtainable".

Passed, Mr Roche dissenting

Proposed by Mr Phelan and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That a Barlock Typewriter be purchased for the office at a net cost of £19..13..3, as per quotation".

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr Phelan and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, and that sums of Poor Rate amounting to £15..0..7, and of water rent amounting to 15/= recommended by them to be cancelled be cancelled".

Passed, Mr Roche dissenting to portion of report recommending refund of Poor Rate to Collector.

Street Inspectors Reports

The Street Inspector reported that on each day since last meeting, he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean. He had a drain outside Mr Roche's stores on the quay opened to ascertain the cause of flooding there in rainy weather,

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and found that the drain was choked with sediment, right up to the covering flags. As there are three gratings on this portion of the Quay, (which are not at all suitable). He would recommend that proper gratings, with built catchpits or metal traps be placed there to prevent the sediment from entering the drain, as by so doing it will mean a great saving to the Council. It would also be necessary to continue the clearing of this drain as far as the main at least, and if advisable to the river.

The footpath at Kenny's store on the quay was flooded owing to the drain being partially choked, the granite which acts as a grating there should be taken up and replaced by a built catchpit, or metal trap and the drain cleaned. The drain at the old Post office on the quay is partly broken down and should be repaired at once, as it is unsafe at present.

The grating at the bottom of Goat Hill requires to be re-adjusted, and the flag leading into it reset, so as to throw the surface water into ~~it~~ the drain, which at present flows across the footpath and College road, doing injury to both. Sweeping brushes are required for the use of the men engaged at Town cleansing. He would recommend that when ordering brushes, the Council would get half the compliment strong, that is, with some cane in them and the remainder the same as those in use at present.

Some of the traders had boxes outside their premises, and Mr Hutchinson had ploughs but the latter were removed. Mr Miskella of John St had been depositing ashes on the street outside his premises each day since last meeting. Mr Hogan has deposited road scrapings at the stone breaking depot in Mount Garrett Lane, which should be removed as the foreman requires the depot, in which to bank stones.

Ordered

That the question of the repairing of the drain outside Mr Roche's store on the Quay; the one at the old Post office; and the grating at bottom of Goat Hill be referred to the meeting of the Street Committee to be held on 23rd Inst.

That advertisments be issued inviting proposals for the supply of two dozen of coarse brushes, and one doz of fine ones, suitable for cleansing of streets, same to be considered at next meeting.

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That the Clerk instruct the Councils Solicitor to prosecute Patrick Miskella John St. for depositing ashes &c on the streets if he does not discontinue doing so, he to be notified of this order in the meantime.

That Mr Hogan be directed to remove the road scrapings from the depot at Mount Garrett Lane.

Quotations of premium for Insurance of Workmen were received from some insurance Companies but were not dealt with at the meeting.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Mr John S. Hearn J.P. Viz:-

I will propose at next meeting of this Board that Mr Butler's salary be reduced by Twenty Pounds in consequence of alteration of duties.

Signed

John S. Hearn
Joseph Roche

Ordered That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to consider it.

Mr Williams referred at length to the importance of the Council taking steps to obtain a Pierre-Iveagh Motor, or Light Railway service, between New Ross or Ballywilliam, and the South of the Co Wexford and suggested that at next meeting the Council should consider the matter, and if deemed advisable, appoint a Committee to act with a Committee of the Rural District Council and any other Gentlemen willing to act and take whatever steps might be deemed best to further such object.

Ordered That the members of the Council be summoned to consider the matter at next meeting, the Rural Council to be asked in the meantime, if they would appoint members to act with the Council on such a Committee, and that the Clerk also write to Mr M. A. Ennis J.P. Wexford for information respecting the Pierre-Iveagh Motor Service scheme, it being stated by the Chairman that Mr Ennis was conversant with it.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 25th April 1906. John S Hearn

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Wednesday 25th April 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock, P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider the appointment of a Committee to act with a Committee of the Rural District Council, and any other influential men, to take steps to obtain a Fierce-Heagh Motor, or Light Railway service, between New Ross and the South of the Co Wexford, also to make a Poor Rate for year ending 31st March 1907, and sign Collector's Warrants for collection of same, and consider the following Notice of motion by Mr John S. Hearn J.P. Viz:—

I will propose at next meeting of this Board that Mr Butler's salary be reduced by Twenty pounds in consequence of alteration of duty.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
James J. Glorman
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
James Phelan
Joseph Roche
John Hand
Wm. G. Williams
John Meehan and

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and James J. Glorman and the following Paying Order directed to be issued, Viz:-

No 19	M. J. Finn	Petty Cash	£ 19-9-8

No 22,221/1906
New Ross Urban Dist.

Local Government Board,
Dublin, 21st April 1906.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th Inst on the subject of the proposed refund by the Urban District Council of New Ross of the sum of £2-10-7 to the Poor Rate Collector; and, with reference thereto, I am to state that, if the facts are as set forth in your letter, the Board will assent to this refund being made.

Your Obedient Servant,
H. Courtenay.
A. S.

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Ordered That the amount be paid to Mr Barron at next Finance meeting of the Council less the Commission paid him on it when lodged.

The Bar-Lock Typewriter Co.
198 Upper Thames St,
London, E.C. April 21st 1906.

Dear Sir

We thank you for your esteemed order for the Royal Bar-Lock Type-writer, and have pleasure in enclosing invoice and guarantee for same. We trust the machine will give every satisfaction.

Enclosed please find Price List of our typewriter desks, carbons, ribbons etc, also our sample book of papers. We shall be pleased to quote you special terms for paper printed with your own heading.

Desiring further to serve you.

We are, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,
The Typewriter Co Ltd.

The Guarantee referred to, which is for one year, was received.

No order made

New Ross Rural District,
New Ross, 19th April 1906.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 13th Inst re Pirrie - Iveagh Motor service or light Railway between New Ross or Ballywilliam and the South of the County Wexford, was laid before this Council at their meeting on Saturday last when the undermentioned members of the Council were appointed to act with your Council on the Committee, Messrs John Cummins, Patrick Cleary, Wm Thorpe, C. Furlong, T.W. Power, John J. Egan, J. Shannon, M. Hickey, and M. Breen.

Yours faithfully,
P. A. Pope.
Clerk of the Council.

In conjunction with the foregoing the following, received from Mr Ennis, was read Viz :-

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Ardruadh,
Wexford. April 23rd 1906.

Dear Mr Flinn/

Many apologies for delay in replying to your letter of 16th Inst, caused by my absence from home.

The Iveagh-Pirrie Motor transit scheme appears to me to be dead and I fear we cannot expect to derive any advantage or assistance from it. It was originally started by two wealthy gentlemen who now appear to have withdrawn from the project for reasons best known to themselves but so far at least as this bounty is concerned the reasons put forward recently by the Chief Secretary in the House of Commons do not apply. The Wexford County Council gave the proposed Service all the assistance in their power.

Yours very truly,
W. A. Ennis.

M. J. Flinn Esq

after some discussion it was agreed to approach the Great Southern and Western Railway Co and ask them to establish a motor or Light Railway service, between Ballywilliam and the South of the Co Wexford and the Clerk was directed to write to the Secretary, asking if his Directors would receive a deputation of the Council, and of the Rural Council, on the subject, and should they be in Waterford soon the deputation could meet them there, it being more convenient than Dublin.

The Secretary of the County Council wrote forwarding the annual Demand of his Council amounting to £866 - 16 - 10, and the Clerk was directed to request the Poor Rate Collector to proceed with his collection as soon as possible.

Dame St.
Dublin, 21st April 1906.

Dear Sir/

We are much obliged for yours, re- Urban Ledger. The price of the Ledger which is made up to last for 2 years, well bound, is £4 - 4 - 0.

The price was stated in the Circular sent you, but you have evidently overlooked it. Your order will be esteemed and have our careful and

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prompt attention.

Yours faithfully,
Hely's Ltd.

The meeting decided not to purchase one as they considered the price too high, and also that it was not required for the office as an ordinary Ledger ought to meet the requirements of it.

A letter was received from James Connolly asking for permission to erect scaffolding outside Mr Butler's premises at John St, and it was granted.

A proposal, received from Mr Simon Cleary Ballyanne, for two heaps of manure at 10/= per heap was accepted.

Department of Agriculture,
Upper Merrion St,
Dublin, 14th April 1906.

No 9529/06.

Sir,

In order to enable the Department to comply with an order of the House of Commons for a Return of certain particulars relating to scheme under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1899, I have to request that you will be good enough to fill in and return to these offices the accompanying form as soon as possible, but not, in any case, later than the 30th Inst.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this communication.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
T. J. Gill.
Secretary.

The Clerk stated that he had furnished the information asked for, and this was approved of.

The Surveyor of Taxes Waterford, wrote asking to be furnished with copies of the Accounts of the Council, as soon as possible, and the Clerk was directed to attend to the matter.

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14th April 1906.

Department of Agriculture and
Technical Instruction Inquiry Committee

Sir,

I am instructed to transmit to you, for the information of the New Ross Urban District Council the accompanying Copy of the Warrant of the Lords Justices constituting the committee, under the Chairmanship of Sir Kenelm Digby, K.C.B., to inquire into and report upon the matters set forth in the warrant.

I have to state that the Departmental committee will be much obliged for any observations, in writing, which your Council may wish to offer upon the questions refered to the committee; and I am to add that it would facilitate the business of the committee if you could arrange to communicate these observations to me, for their information, at as early a date as practicable.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant.
John J. Taylor.

The following is the copy of the Warrant referred to.

Warrant appointing a committee to inquire into the Working of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

By the Lords Justices General and General Governors of Ireland.
S. Walker, C.
Grenfell

We hereby nominate and appoint Sir Kenelm Edward Digby K.C.
K.C.B., late under Secretary of State for the Home Department (Chairman);
the Honourable John Dryden, late Minister of Agriculture in Ontario;
William Lawson Hicks Esq. Member of the Local Government Board for Ireland;
Francis Grant Ogilvie Esq. Principal Assistant Secretary for Technology in the
Board of Education; and Stephen James Brown Esq J.P. Chairman of the Co
Kildare County Council, to be a committee to inquire into and report upon the
following matters connected with the Department of Agriculture and other
Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland Viz:-

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To inquire and report whether the provisions of the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act 1899, constituting the Department, and the methods which the Department has followed in carrying out those provisions, have been shown by experience to be well suited to the conditions of Ireland; whether any, and if so, what changes are desirable in those provisions and methods; and to report also upon the relations of the Department to the Council of Agriculture, to the Agricultural Board, and to the Board of Technical Instruction; upon its relations to local statutory bodies; upon the funds at its disposal, and the modes of employing them; and upon its position in regard to other Departments, especially those charged with educational functions.

We further appoint John James Taylor Esq L.B. I.S.O. to be Secretary to the Committee.

Given at Dublin Castle, the 31st day of March 1906.

By Their Excellencies Command.

J. B. Dougherty

Ordered

That copies be forwarded to the Technical Instruction Committee, with a request that they furnish the Council with their observations upon them as soon as possible.

Proposals were received from Messrs P. Hunt, M. Hutchinson, Hennessy and Dwyer Bros for the supply of three dozen of brushes suitable for cleansing of streets. A number of samples were submitted and after being examined it was ordered that two dozen of coarse ones marked xx @ 23/6 per doz be procured from Mr Hutchinson, and one doz of fine ones @ 21/= from Mr Hunt.

The Council next proceeded to make a Poor Rate for year ending 31st March 1907 and the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and

Seconded by Mr Wm. G. Williams

"That we raise the sum of £950-4-5, as, and for Poor Rate, and for the purpose aforesaid we make a Poor Rate of 2/3 in the £ for the financial year ending 31st March 1907, on the property situate within the Urban District of New Ross pursuant to the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts incorporated therewith, and that

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same be collected in two moieties, the first one on or before the 30th Sept. 1906 and the second one on or before the 31st March 1907. That Public Notice be given of said rates having been made by printed placards duly posted".

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Wm Ly. Williams

"That the presiding Chairman and two members of the Council, sign the Poor Rate Books, and the resolution making the Poor Rate endorsed thereon, and the adoption of the Poor Rate, and the Collector's Warrant attached thereto, and affix the common seal of the Council to said Poor Rate Books and documents."

Passed Unanimously

In accordance with the foregoing resolution the Books and other documents were signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Peter Murphy and Wm Ly Williams, and countersigned by the Clerk.

The Clerk submitted the proposals for Insurance of workmen which were not dealt with at last meeting and the consideration of them was adjourned to next meeting, that officer to furnish to it particulars as to which was the cheapest, and the different class of risks each company proposed to cover.

Street Inspectors Reports

The Street Inspector reported that on each day he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean. The granite covering at East end of Charles St is in a very rough and uneven state and should be repaired. Eight small panes of glass are required for the public weigh house on the Quay. Matthew Hutchinson had two bags of seeds outside his premises each day since last meeting and an empty barrell on the street since the 21st Inst.

Ordered

That Mr Freeman be requested to fix the eight panes of glass in the Weigh House.

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Mr Roche suggested that the Council ought to take steps to assist the promotion of the scheme for the construction of a Canal from Kilkenny to Inistiogue, but it was considered better to defer the matter until the Commission will be sitting when a representative might be appointed to attend and give evidence before it.

The Notice of Motion served by the Chairman at last meeting was considered informal and was not moved by him, nor was an amended one handed in for the present.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 9th May 1906.

Peter Murphy

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Wednesday 9th May 1906

Your Finance Committee met this evening at 6.30 oclock P.M. examined the Accounts and recommended the following payments (see list on opposite page)

We recommend that the preparation of the estimate of Town Rate for the current year be deferred until the amount of loan necessary in connection with the water scheme be ascertained, that the annual instalment for same may be provided for in the estimate.

Signed

James J. Glynnan
Peter Murphy

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Freaney

"That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted; and the payments recommended by them be made also that the preparation of the Estimate of Town Rate be deferred as recommended by the Committee."

Passed Unanimously

The meeting adjourned

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Wednesday 9th May 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider estimate of Town Rate, or advisability of proceeding to make same, for financial year ending 31st March 1907.

Present Messrs Peter Murphy Presiding Chairman
James B. Hearn
David Murphy
Joseph Roche
Michael Freaney
Wm. G. Williams
John Hand
and
James J. Glynman

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs James J. Glynman and Michael Freaney and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 20	Technical Instruction Committee	New Ross		£16 - 7 - 1
" 21	Longe & Taggart	Dublin		3 - 0 - 0
" 22	Thomas Martin	New Ross		15 - 0
" 23	Doyle Bros	"		11 - 0 - 0
" 24	John Tobin	"		12 - 10 - 0
" 25	Barlock Typewriter Co	Dublin		19 - 13 - 3
" 26	Sec School Attendance Committee			7 - 10 - 0
" 27	M. J. Flinn	New Ross	(Petty Cash)	27 - 17 - 8
" 28	Patrick Redmond	"		4 - 6 - 8
" 29	same	"		4 - 6 - 8
" 30	John J. Browne	"		1 - 16 - 5
" 31	James Barron	"		2 - 9 - 2
" 32	Thomas Byrne	"		4 - 6 - 8
" 33	Cashiers Bank of Ireland			47 - 7 - 7
" 34	same			24 - 11 - 8
" 35	same			61 - 4 - 10
" 36	Patrick Carroll	Raheen	New Ross	1 - 5 - 0

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The following correspondence was read.

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Great Southern & Western Railway
Dublin, 5th May 1906.

Dear Sir

Referring to your letter of the 1st Inst, I am directed by my Board to say that, as they could not recommend the Company to establish a Light Railway or Motor Service between Ballywilliam or New Ross and the South of the County Wexford, it appears unnecessary to trouble the Councils to attend on a Deputation.

Yours faithfully,
Thos. B. Ormsby.
Secretary

No Order made

The Royal Bar-lock Typewriter,
London, E. C.
30th April 1906.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with our usual custom we beg to draw your attention to the special discount of 5% for cash quoted you in seven days, and as we are aware that Urban District Councils usually have a regular monthly Pay Day, we shall be obliged if you will kindly inform us when you expect the next meeting of your Council will take place. In order that we may make a note of same.

Trusting the machine is giving you every satisfaction.

We are, Yours faithfully.
V. H. Vowles,
Office Manager.

As the account was being paid at this meeting there was No order Made.

Dame St, Dublin,
28th April 1906.

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of yours re-Ledger and note your Council

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consider the price too high. As the Book will last for two years we do not think the cost of £2..2;0, per year for a complete Ledger can be considered excessive. The Book is a very expensive one to produce, and the sale being a limited one we could not put it on the market at a lesser price, we could if preferred supply you with a book to last for one year, bound in strong paper cover for 30/=.

Your further commands will be esteemed and have our careful and prompt attention.

Yours faithfully,
Hely's Ltd.

It was decided not to interfere with the order made at the last meeting namely that the Council were of opinion the Book was not required for the office.

A letter was received from the Labour Department of the Board of Trade asking for the names of any large Building Contractors or Carriers in the District and the Clerk was directed to furnish the required information.

An application, signed by ten residents of Neville St. was received, asking to have a new footpath made from Mr James Kavanagh's house to Mr Harding's in Neville St, and it was deferred to the next Quarterly meeting of the Council.

A long letter was received from Revd. T. Tierney notifying that a Catholic Inebriate Home formerly had lately been established at Waterford and suggesting the advisability of the Council contributing to it, but there was no order made upon it.

The Clerk reported that he had written to the tenants who had not Bonds informing them that they should enter into Bonds otherwise the Council would have to take up possession of the houses and the only one who consented to do so was Mary Canterbury and she offered Patrick Miskella of John St as surety.

Ordered That the Clerk write again and inform them that if they

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do not enter into Bonds with sureties the Council will have to proceed to take up possession of the houses occupied by them.

The Clerk submitted the rates of premium for Insurance of workmen as directed at last meeting, from which it appeared that the London & Lancashire Co. and the Yorkshire, were cheaper than any of the others, and that the rate proposed by each of those companies was practically the same, and it was

Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr Greaney

"That the London and Lancashire Fire Insurance Company's proposal be accepted, and the Council's men be insured with them".

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk suggested, that as the Town Rate could not be made for sometime, owing to Council having decided to defer striking it until the awards in connection with the water scheme would be made, that arrangements ought to be made with the Bank to honor the Paying orders which would necessarily be issued, and that the permission of the Local Government Board to the payment of interest ought to be obtained, but they did not take any action, being of opinion that the Bank would advance whatever would be temporarily required without any further arrangements

Town Surveyor's Report

The laying of the drain pipes and yard gully traps in the Council's houses in Holly House Lane and the Stair Gate are I may say completed, a couple of hours work more will finish them.

The laying of cement concrete pavement in the yards and a few odd jobs in making good remains to be done.

The alteration and connecting the surface wall of south side of Irishtown with sewer in Cockpit Lane will next be taken in hands.

No order made

Thomas Byrne

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The Clerk stated that the Chairman, before leaving town, directed him to request the Council, at their next meeting, to consider what steps, if any, they ought to take in connection with the proposed new fair at Ballycullane, so as to safeguard their own fair, and the interests of the Town.

A considerable discussion followed, and the following were appointed a Committee to look into the matter and report to next meeting of the Council, Viz:- Messrs Williams, O'Gorman, and Peter Murphy; the Committee to arrange amongst themselves as to where they would meet.

On the suggestion of Mr Williams they were also directed to consider if anything could be done by the Council to compel the holding of fowl, and other markets, on days fixed by them, and also in places fixed by the Council, and it was ordered that the Councils Solicitors be asked to advise them as to their powers in the matter.

Street Inspectors Reports

The Street Inspector reported that there are holes in the water tables at Stable Lane and Lady Lane which require to be repaired. The drain at Dunphy's corner became choked on the 3rd Inst causing a considerable portion of the street to be flooded. On Sunday morning the foot-path at East side of North St with the exception of that portion outside John Browne's premises was in a very dirty state.

He also complained that on Fair days cattle are placed outside his house at Fair Gate so close to the walls as to be a nuisance, and also that his children could not leave the house to go to school without being in danger of being trampled upon. He asked that a notice be put on the house cautioning persons to keep their cattle at least six feet from his dwelling.

As the Town Surveyor was very busy at present there was no order made respecting the paving of Lady Lane and Stable Lane water tables.

It having been decided at last Quarterly meeting not to incur any expense in connection with drain at Dunphy's corner, for the present, there was no order made respecting it, or the complaint of the Inspector

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regarding the unpleasantness caused by cattle on Fair days.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 23rd May 1906.

James Fitzsimmon

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Thursday 17th May 1906

a Special meeting of the bouncil was held this day at 11·30 oclock a.m. in compliance with the following requisition Viz:- to

New Ross
14th May 1906.

To M. J. Flinn
Clerk of the Urban District bouncil
New Ross

Dear Sir,

We, the undersigned members of the bouncil hereby require you to convene a special meeting of the bouncil to consider a letter received from the Hon Secretary of the '98 Memorial bommittee relative to the erection of the monument, take such action thereon, and transact such business in connection with same, as may be deemed necessary.

Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
M. Freaney
P. Dunphy

Present Messrs James J. Glorman Presiding
John Hand
John Meehan
Patrick Dunphy
Peter Murphy
Wm G. Williams
and
Joseph Roche

The following letter was read

Mary St,
New Ross, 14th May 1906.

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that Mr P. Molloy ballan, bontractor of '98 Monument has been here to-day with regard to getting in of foundation of same.

He has marked out the space he requires for foundation and also the space required for scaffolding etc. the space for latter will be 20ft x 16 ft.

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He will interfere considerably with the traffic both in North St. and Quay St, hence I considered it my duty to inform of this in order that the Council may judge for themselves.

The Contractor is ready to commence work in a few days and have completed arrangements for carting of material for monument etc, he also asked me to request that you will be good enough to give him permission to leave material in space at Mr J. Fitzgeralds corner.

Truly Yours,
J. J. O'Gorman,
Hon Sec.
98 Memorial Commt.

The Chairman who is Hon Sec to '98 Memorial Association, stated that he had wired the Contractor on yesterday to attend the meeting to-day and received a letter this morning stating that he would, but since then received a wire stating that he could not come. Some members proceeded to inspect the proposed site of the monument as marked out by Contractor, and from which it appeared that the base would extend a considerable distance outside the kerbing of the footpath adjacent to the Daubeny Fountain.

The meeting having resumed the members were of opinion that nothing definite could be done in the absence of the Contractor, and decided to defer the subject matter of the letter to the next ordinary meeting of the Council, the Hon Secretary undertaking to have the Contractor present in order that he might give any required information respecting the size, and exact position of the Monument.

The meeting adjourned

James J. O'Gorman

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Wednesday 23rd May 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider letter received from Hon Secretary '98 Committee relative to erection of monument; letter from Board of Works in reference to footpath at New Post Office, to consider and if deemed advisable adopt the Clerk's estimate of Town Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1907, also to elect a member of the Technical Instruction Committee in the room of Dr Kavanagh resigned.

Present Messrs James J. Glorman Presiding
James B. Hearn
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
John Meehan
David Murphy
Samuel Hill and

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Joseph Roche and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 34 Mr M. J. Flinn Petty Cash £ 25 - 19 - 8

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Office of Public Works,
Dublin, 21st May 1906.

Sir

I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works to refer to the correspondence which has taken place between you and the Post Office Department, on the subject of the footpath in front of New Ross Post office, and I am to express the regret of this Board that the Contractor employed by them in the erection of the building should have removed the flags without consulting, or obtaining the permission of the Council, and their desire to secure for the Council redress for the action of the Contractor.

With this object they have entered into communication with the Contractor on the subject, and they hope to be able to notify the result to you within a short time.

I am Sir,
H. Williams
Secretary.

No Order made

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Technical Instruction Committee.
New Ross, 15th May 1906

Dear Sir,

Please inform your Council that the Very Revd. Canon Kavanagh P.P. has resigned membership of the Technical Instruction Committee of the New Ross Urban District, and that same having been accepted it will be necessary for your Council to fill the vacancy.

With reference to your communication of the 30th ultimo, requesting my Committee to report to your Council relative to the Warrant appointing a Committee to inquire into the working of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, I beg to state that my Committee had the matter before them last evening, and unanimously adopted the resolutions, observations, and recommendations agreed to by the Standing Council of the Irish Technical Instruction Association at their meeting held in Dublin on the 8th inst, copy of which will be found annexed.

I am Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,
Edward Long,
Secretary.

M. J. Flinn Esq
New Ross

The following are the resolutions, observations, and recommendations agreed to by the Standing Council of the Irish Technical Instruction Association.

The Standing Council, at the outset, adopted the following resolutions:

"That the Standing Council of the Irish Technical Instruction Association, representing nearly all the Technical Committees of Ireland who are themselves elected by the County Borough and Urban Councils, expresses its disapproval of the constitution of the Departmental Inquiry Committee on account of the absence of Technical experts and popularly elected representatives and fears that no tangible results will follow from the Inquiry".

"That the Hon Secretary Rev P. J. Dowling B. A., be nominated to represent the Standing Council and give evidence before the Inquiry Committee."

The Standing Council, having fully reviewed the subject, suggested the

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following matters to the committees of the Association as requiring the attention of the Departmental Committee:-

The Act of 1899 and its Provisions

That the committees strongly disapprove of any amendment of the Act which will bring the Department under the direct control of a Castle Board.

The following seem to be the principal defects in the Act:-

(a) Though the Boards of Agriculture and Technical Instruction are popularly constituted, the members of these Boards have no initiative powers (see Kelly, page 14, Sections 12-13.)

(b) However little voice the Technical Board has in regard to Rural and Urban Districts, it has none whatever in regard to County Boroughs - the more important centres of Technical Education being thus completely at the Mercy of the permanent officials of the Department, who can be subjected to neither criticism nor appeal (see Kelly, page 18. Sec 18)

(c) The allocation of £55,000. for the purposes of Technical Instruction is totally inadequate and any amendment in this direction should be an endowment which will increase in keeping with the growth of Technical Instruction.

(d) The absence of any provision for building purposes is a fatal flaw in the Act.

(e) Little of a practical character has been done towards the development of industries. As the revival of Irish industries is of vital importance - in order to stop the drain of emigration and to secure a satisfactory return for the heavy expenditure upon technical education during the last six years; and as the lack of trained hands is a serious embarrassment to those who attempt to revive those industries, the Standing Council of the Irish Technical Association is unanimously of opinion that the Department should use to the fullest extent their powers in providing such Technical Education as will supply trained hands for industries, and if funds and powers are not to be found sufficient, that steps should be taken to get them extended.

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(f) The act should also be amended so as to devote a considerable sum to the direct development of industries and in this the Department should be aided by a council of business experts. There should be also established a bureau of industries to enable small producers to get expert advice and necessary assistance, so as to reach suitable markets.

Method of Administering Act

The standing committee have had so much reason to complain of their representations being ignored by the officials of the Departments, it should be proposed:

(a) To have the administrative body composed of, say, four paid commissioners for the Technical side and an equal number for the Agricultural side. These commissioners should be elected by the bo councils, one for each province, and hold office for a term of five years. The Vice President to be chairman of these commissioners.

(b) The higher sections of the Department should be better supplied with expert knowledge – the best obtainable.

(c) There is a considerable waste of money in the Itinerant Instruction, as at present carried out.

(d) The Department has as yet done nothing practical towards the co-ordination of Primary and Technical Education, though this matter has been urged by the resolutions of three Congresses. This seems to be due to the fact that the Consultative Committee is ineffective.

Proposed by Mr James B. Hearn and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy

"That the foregoing be adopted by this Council as their reply to the inquiry of the Departmental Commission and that the Clerk forward a copy of same to the Secretary of it."

Passed

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Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by James B. Hearn

"That Mr John O'Sullivan be elected a member of the Technical Instruction Committee, in room of Canon Kavanagh resigned.

Passed Unanimously.

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Enniscorthy,
May 19th 1906.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Co Committee of the Gaelic League to ask your Board to appoint delegates to attend the conference to be held in Enniscorthy on Whit Sunday (one day of Feis) for the purpose of establishing an Industrial Development Association in the County.

The conference is called in the name of the principal manufacturers, who have promised to attend. Trusting your Board will send a large number of delegates.

Yours respectfully.
P. Murphy M. S. S.
Hon Secretary.

Mr M. J. Flinn
Town Clerk.

It was agreed that all the members of the Council, who possibly can, will attend the conference, and the Clerk was directed to inform Mr Murphy of this.

Courthouse, Wexford.
16th May 1906.

Dear Mr Flinn,

I beg to inform you that at yesterday's Meeting of my Council, the final declaration that there be no Main Roads in the County was adopted.

Yours faithfully.
N. J. Grizelle
Secretary

after some discussion the following resolution was proposed by Mr Roche and seconded by Mr Peter Murphy Viz:- "That we the New Ross Urban District Council desire to protest most strongly against the abolition of the main roads system, or scheme by the Wexford County Council."

Passed Unanimously

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Ordered

That a copy of the foregoing be forwarded to the Secretary of the County Council.

A proposal of 5/= was received from Mr John Byrne Camblin, for road scrapings at Newtown, and it was accepted, as was also a proposal of 13/= from Mrs Lawler for heap of manure in the middle of the yard opposite Mr Roche's store.

The following Paying Orders, received from the Secretary of the Co Council, were ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council, Viz:-

No	1018	Maintenence New Ross Bridge		£13 . 10 . 0
"	1029	Do	1017 perches road	37 . 12 . 2
"	1030		235 "	14 . 13 . 9
"	1031	Sudden damage Order		6 . 10 . 0

The following report of the Finance Committee was read:-

The Finance Committee examined the Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1907, amounting to 4/3 in £ and we recommend the Council to adopt same, and we recommend the Clerk to be directed to take steps to publish the necessary notices.

Signed

J. B. Hearn
Peter Murphy

May 23rd 1906

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted."

Passed Mr Roche dissenting

Proposed by James B. Hearn and
Seconded by David Murphy

"That the Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate now before us be adopted, and that he publish the necessary notice of our intention

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to make a Town Rate of 4/3, in the £, and take the necessary steps to enable said rate, to be made".

Passed

On the resolution been put there voted

For-Messrs Hill, P. Murphy, J. B. Hearn, D. Murphy, and the Chairman 5

Against - Mr Roche 1

Mr Meehan declined to vote

The Chairman declared the resolution passed.

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean on each day. On the 16th and 17th the watering of them was not properly attended to. He found a gentleman riding a bicycle on foot-path on Quay from Charles St corner to Bank of Ireland. Mr Hutchinson has had machinery outside his premises each day since 19th Inst.

No Order made

The letter received from the Hon Secretary of '98 committee, which was referred from the special meeting of the Council to this was considered. The Secretary Mr Ó'Gorman read a telegram from the Contractor regretting that he could not be present at the meeting. After some discussion it was

Ordered That a special meeting of Council be held on Wednesday 30th Inst. or such other day as would be convenient for the Contractor to attend and point out the exact space which will be required for the monument; the secretary to arrange with him, and inform the Clerk when he can attend so that the latter may summon the special meeting.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 6th June 1906

John L Hearn

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Wednesday 30th May 1906

A Special meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 12 oclock noon, to consider a letter received from the Hon Secretary '98 Committee and take such action thereon as may be deemed advisable.

Present Messrs James J. Glorman Presiding
Joseph Roche
John Meehan
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Wm. G. Williams

The Contractor for the erection of the '98 Monument, Mr Molloy was also present.

The following is a copy of the letter, which is already entered on the minutes of the Special meeting held on the 17th Inst Viz:-

Mary Street,
New Ross, 14th May 1906.

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that Mr P. Molloy Ballan, Contractor of '98 monument has been here to-day with regard to getting in of foundation of same.

He has marked out the space he requires for foundation and also the space required for scaffolding etc, the space for latter will be 20 ft x 16 ft. He will interfere considerably with the traffic both in North St, and Quay St, hence I considered it my duty to inform of this in order that the Council may judge for themselves.

The Contractor is ready to commence work in a few days and have completed arrangements for carting of material for monument etc, he has asked me to request that you will be good enough to give him permission to leave material in space at Mr T. Fitzgerald's corner.

Truly Yours,
J. J. Glorman.
Hon Sec,
98 Memorial Committee.

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all the members present, with the exception of Messrs Williams and Glorman, proceeded to inspect the site, at the East side of the Daubeney Fountain, which the Contractor marked out, after consultation with the members.

On returning to the Office of the Council, after a short discussion, the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by The Chairman, Mr O'Gorman Uz:-

"That we grant the space asked for, one and a half foot space to be allowed between the Monument and the Fountain; the base of Monument to be ten feet by six, the base to extend about three feet on the corner of Quay St".

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That the necessary permission be given to erect the scaffolding and deposit material in space at Mr Fitzgerald's corner as requested".

Passed Unanimously

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 6th June 1906.

John L Hearn

Monday 4th June 1906

Monthly meeting day.

No attendance of members.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 6th June 1906.

John L Hearn

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Wednesday 6th June 1906

An adjourned meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
Wm. G. Williams
John Hand
and
James J. Glorman

The minutes of previous meetings were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Wm. G. Williams and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 38 M. J. Kinn (Petty Cash) £23-16-11

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

New Ross.
June 6th 1906.

Presiding Chairman
Urban Council
New Ross

Gentlemen

We the undersigned inhabitants of New Ross respectfully wish to lay before you our feeling with regard to the Market Square site for the '98 Monument. We look on this site as unsuitable and unsightly. We look upon it with regret to think of erecting a Monument thereon. We take it as an insult to the memory of our Brave Forefathers who fought and died for their Faith and their Country, to erect a monument to their memory beside what "The Daubeney Fountain" oh let us hang our heads for shame. We cannot believe such to be the case.

Therefore we wish to be candid and straight forward and to say at

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this critical point in this matter that there are three other places in New Ross which would meet the approval of the general public any of which would make a splendid site for this Monument Viz:- "Three Bullet Gate," "Robert St," or Irishtown, if erected on anyone of said places we shall subscribe most liberal otherwise we are reluctantly compelled to say that we shall not subscribe one penny. A copy of this is going to the Press. Of Gentlemen do you ignore the Celtic and Ancient Cross that adorns Irishtown, in New Ross and select the,- What the Daubeney Fountain.

Signed by Patrick Bailey, and Saml. Brewer of Irishtown, and twenty others.

That the memorialists be informed the Council, having given permission to erect the monument on the Tholsel square, do not feel Justified in interfering in the matter, as they believe the selection of the site belongs to the "98 Memorial Committee".

Wexford Co Council,
Courthouse, Wexford,
25th May 1906.

Sir,

In connection with your letter of the 21st February, stating that as there will be no main roads in the County, your Council consider they should not contribute to the salary of the County Surveyor, I beg to state that the matter was considered by my County Council at their meeting on 23rd Inst, and the following order was made thereon :-

"That a copy of the letter of"
"the Local Government Board, to Mr E. G. O'Connell, Portmagee, Kerry, be"
"forwarded to the New Ross Urban Council."

The following is a copy of the communication in question :-

"The Local Government Board for Ireland, have had before them your letter of the 22nd ult, relating to the salary of County Surveyor of the County of Kerry, and in reply I am to state that as the salary of the County Surveyor is chargeable to the entire County the Local Government Board have no power to exempt a particular district or districts from payment of a portion of such salary."

NO Order made

Yours Obediently,
N. J. Frizelle.
Co Secretary.

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Technical Instruction Committee,
New Ross, 5th June 1906.

Dear Sir,

Please inform your Council that Mr Joseph Roche has resigned membership of my Committee, that same has been accepted, and that it will be necessary for your Council to fill the vacancy by the appointment of another member of their body thereto.

I am Sir,
Yours faithfully,
Edward Long,
Secretary.

Ordered

That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to elect a member of the Technical Instruction Committee in the room of Mr Roche resigned.

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General Valuation and Boundary Survey of Ireland,
Office, 6 Ely Place, Dublin,
31st May 1906.

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioner of Valuation to enclose a Supplemental List of cases requiring revision which have been furnished direct to him, or have otherwise come under the notice of this Department, and to request that, should your Council consider such revisions necessary, you will include the cases in the Lists which you are to forward here by the 24th June, in accordance with the provisions of the Valuation Acts.

You will observe that, by sec 4 of the Act 14 Vic; cap 8, these Lists should come through the hands of the Rate Collector of the District.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
Alfred Beckett.
Chief Clerk.

The Clerk stated that he had handed over the lists to the Rate Collector.

Circular letters were received from the Local Government Board asking for

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(1) the necessary statistics in connection with the Annual Returns of Local Taxation in Ireland and (2) particulars as to the action of Local Authorities under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts compiled to the 31st March 1906.

The Clerk stated that he had furnished the particulars and this was approved of.

Cushinstown,
Ballinaboola, 4th June 1906.

Sir,

I am requested by the Enniscorthy District Conference Committee, to apply to your Council for permission to hold occasional meetings in one of the rooms of the Tholsel, so as to give delegates from this part of the County an opportunity of attending its meetings.

Trusting to be favoured with an early reply and permit.

I am, Yours truly,
John J. O'Byrne.

Ordered That Mr Byrne be asked to state, for the information of the Council, the nature of the business to be transacted at meetings of the Conference.

A letter was received from the Gas Company stating that they intend opening the road outside new Town Hall, but there was no order made upon it.

Mary St,
New Ross, June 6th 1906.

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by the Committee of '98 Memorial to apply to you for permission to erect platform for Sunday's meeting, outside Tholsel, dimensions 12 ft x 6 ft.

Faithfully Yours,
J. J. O'Gorman.

Proposed by Mr Dunphy and Seconded by Mr O'Gorman "That the necessary permission be granted

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"subject to any damage done being made good by the '98 committee".
Passed Unanimously.

An application was received from Mr Andrew Cullen for payment of his account which included a balance of £2 due him on foot of Chapel Lane Sewer, and it was Ordered that the Town Surveyor furnish, to next Finance meeting of the Council, a certificate as to the completion, by Mr Cullen, of the sewer.

The Abstract of outstanding Town Rate for year ending 31st March 1906, which had been previously examined by the Finance Committee, was submitted to the meeting, and the following resolution in reference thereto was :-

Proposed by Mr P. Murphy and
Seconded by Mr W. J. Williams

"That the sums of outstanding Town Rate for year ending 31st March 1906, amounting to £34-10-3 be cancelled, and sums amounting to £11-9-1 be carried forward to next collection."
Passed Unanimously

A Medical Certificate dated 28th May was received from Jas Keilthy, one of the Council's Workmen, that he was suffering from Bronchitis and unfit to work for a week. The Clerk stated that he had to employ a temporary man for three days at the same wages and this was approved of as was also the payment of Keilthy's wages.

It was ordered that in future until further instructions be given, the workmen begin work at 6 o'clock in the morning and take the usual meal hours, instead of arrangements existing at present.

It was also ordered that the members be summoned to consider at next meeting the advisability of giving effect to a resolution of the Council previously passed, altering the New Ross Bridge Bye Law, subject to certain conditions.

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Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean on each day, with the exception of Mount Garrett Lane, which was dirty on one day. He sought instructions as to whether he would impound cattle, and other animals found straying on the Council's field at Cross Lane or Wm. St as intimated by notice posted there, and he was directed to do so, after having first ascertained the owners and cautioned them against permitting the animals to trespass on the field.

He also reported that Coopers Lane required to be paved, but there was no order made respecting it.

The Clerk reported that Sergt. Madden, the present Inspector of Explosives, was leaving town on transfer, and it was ordered that the Authorities be asked to appoint another Constable in his place.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 13th May 1906

John L Hearn

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Wednesday 13th June 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to elect a member of the Technical Instruction Committee in the room of Mr Roche resigned, take steps to give effect to a resolution of the Council altering the existing Bye-Law prohibiting Traction Engines from crossing the New Ross Bridge under steam.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman Presiding
Peter Murphy
Wm. G. Williams
James J. Glynman
John Hanning
John Hand
John Meehan
David Murphy
James Phelan
James G. Dooley

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs James J. Glynman and Peter Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 39	Michael Hunt	Dunganstown		£ 1 .. 19 .. 8
" 40	Stephen Carroll	Raheen		1 .. 14 .. 0
" 41	John Harrington	New Ross		1 .. 11 .. 0
" 42	Patrick Carroll	Raheen		3 .. 0 .. 0
" 43	Thomas Flanagan	Priesthaggard		4 .. 3 .. 0
" 44	Alex Thom & Co	Dublin		1 .. 4 .. 8
" 45	Dr. Connor	New Ross		8 .. 3 .. 0
" 46	Borough Treasurer	Kilkenny		10 .. 9
" 47	Philip A. Jeffares	New Ross		1 .. 16 .. 9
" 48	London & Lancashire	Assurance Co,	Dublin	1 .. 0 .. 8
" 49	Hugh R. Hamilton	New Ross		5 .. 18 .. 6
" 50	John Cobin	"		3 .. 2 .. 6
" 51	M. J. Flinn	"		25 .. 0 .. 0

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No 52	M. J. Flinn	New Ross	£15 - 9 - 3
" 53	Treasurer bo bouncil	Wexford	216 - 14 - 2
" 54	John J. Browne	New Ross	1 - 13 - 5
" 55	Thomas Byrne	"	4 - 6 - 8

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

Mill Road, Iron Works,
Wexford. June 1906.

Dear Sir,

According to the instructions of the Wexford Corporation we have manufactured a series of Name Plates for the principal streets of the town, Irish and English characters appearing on each plate. As this project has been contemplated (if not already carried out) in almost every town in Ireland, we should be pleased to quote and shall thank you to place the matter before your next meeting.

Heretofore the bi-lingual Plates supplied for this purpose were enamelled, and were manufactured either in England or Germany. Our name Plates are of Cast Iron, which is far more durable than enamel, and we are sure that Irishmen cannot do better than patronise the work of their own countrymen. We enclose photograph of three plates.

Yours faithfully,
Philip Pierce &bo.

Ordered That Messrs Pierce &bo Ltd. be informed the bouncil do not at present require any name plates but whenever they do they shall be pleased to obtain quotations.

Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerk's Office,
Dublin Castle,
June 12th 1906.

Sir,

I beg to acquaint you, for the information of the Urban District bouncil, that the proportion of Surplus Moneys arising from the sale of Licences under the "Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act, 1865," amounts to £17 - 5 - 8 for the Urban District of New Ross for the year 1905, and to state that the Lord Lieutenant has directed that this sum should be paid over to the Treasurer to the Urban

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District Council pursuant to the "Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act (1865)" to be applied by him in aid of the Urban District Rates, in such manner as the Council shall direct.

I am Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
H. Caddell.

No Order made

Collector's Report

New Ross,
June 13th 1906.

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to report that the weekly tenants belonging to your Council are paying their rents satisfactorily with the exception of one tenant named Patrick McGrath of William St, who left his house on Saturday May 26th 1906, without giving an notice. The key was handed to me by his father on same date which leaves a balance of 11/6 rent due by him to week ending 28th day of May 1906. I wrote to him in c/o the Station Master Wexford, for said amount where I was informed that he was working and have not received an answer up to this date.

Your Obedient Servant,
John J. Browne.
Collector.

No Order made

Contributions in Lieu of Rates for Government Property — Ireland

Rating of Government Property Department,
Treasury S. W.
12th June 1906.

Gentlemen,

I beg to forward to you the enclosed Form, and to request that you will cause it to be filled up, signed, and returned to this office, as soon as the rates for the current year have been made

I am, Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant,
R. J. Thompson,
Inspector of Rates.

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Ordered That the necessary information be furnished as soon as the Town Rate is made.

An official copy of an order in Council varying the order in Council of 26th October 1896, relating to Premises Registered for mixed Explosives was received and ordered to be filled.

Urban District Council Office, -
7th June 1906.

Dear Sir,

I am directed to send you the subjoined copy of a Resolution passed at meeting of the Kinsale Urban District Council held on Tuesday last with the hope that your Council will see their way to pass a similar resolution and forward a copy of it to the Chief Secretary for Ireland.

Yours faithfully,
R. A. Hegarty.
Town Clerk.

Copy of Resolution

Resolved – "That we, the Urban District Council of Kinsale respectfully ask the Chief Secretary for Ireland to increase the scope of the Labourers (Ireland) Bill now before Parliament so as to include the Urban Districts of Ireland and enable them to borrow loans on the advantageous terms stated in the Bill for the purpose of erecting Houses for the working classes in Urban Districts, and that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Council of every Urban District in Ireland, to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, and our local Member of Parliament".

Ordered – That the resolution be adopted.

A letter received from Mrs Redmond Quay, in reference to the scarcity of Pipe Water was dealt with at the Sanitary meeting.

A discussion took place respecting the inadequate accomodation at the New Ross Railway station for the boxing of cattle and also for watering of them, and the Clerk was directed to ~~the~~ write to the Railway Co pointing out same, and request them to provide ten or twelve additional stalls for the ——

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accomodation of cattle as well as, additional troughs for watering them.

Finance Committee Report

Your Finance Committee met this day and recommended payment of undermentioned (see list at commencement of minutes).

Signed

John S. Hearn
James J. Glynnan

Proposed by Wm G. Williams
Seconded by Peter Murphy

"That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, and the payments recommended by them, be made".

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk submitted the valuation Lists received from the Poor Rate Collector, and they were examined by the members but the meeting decided not to express any opinion on them.

An order was made directing the Clerk to write to the Local Government Board asking to have the Urban District exempt from contributing to the salary of the County Surveyor as that officer will not be required to perform any duties in connection with the District owing to the County Council having decided there will be no main roads in future.

In reference to altering the Bye-Law prohibiting Locomotives from crossing the New Ross Bridge under steam, the Clerk submitted the resolution of the Council passed on 2nd September 1904, agreeing to alter it in accordance with the suggestions received from the Kilkenny County Council, provided none of the expense would have to be borne by the Urban Council as both the Kilkenny and Wexford County Councils have agreed to pay the cost of altering the Bye-Law it was now

Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr Meehan Viz:-

"That our Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary legal steps to give effect to the resolution of the Council passed

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on 2nd September 1904."

Passed Unanimously

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he found the streets and lanes of the town clean except on the 13th when the cleansing was not begun until after one o'clock and several streets were dirty until late in the afternoon. He suggested that the South end of the town from Cross Lane to Newtown be watered when necessary and the water table at East side of Neville Street be cleaned, a flush pipe is required for the watering cart and as Canvas ones do not last long, it would be advisable to obtain a leather one.

Ordered That the foreman attend to the watering of South end of town, and cleansing of water table in Neville St.

That quotations for the supply of a leather flush pipe be got.

The Clerk reported that two of the Councilmen, Flynn, and Broaders, and the Contractor's man and horse, were engaged for a considerable portion of Sunday watering the streets and asked what they would be allowed, similar work had to be performed by order of the Medical Superintendent officer of Health on the occasion of a previous public meeting in the Town. He also reported that an extra man was employed on Saturday night to assist in cleansing.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That Flynn, and Broaders, be allowed two shillings each and that the Contractor be allowed three, for man and horse, and the employment of the extra man on Saturday night be approved of."

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr Fanning and
Seconded by Mr Meehan

"That we, the members of the New Ross Urban

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"District Council desire to place on record an expression of our heartfelt "regret at the untimely death of one of Ireland's most patriotic and un- "selfish sons- Michael Davitt who devoted all his life to the securing "of the rights of Irishmen to manage their own affairs in an Irish "Parliament, and that we tender to Mrs Davitt and family our deep "and sincere sympathy in the terrible bereavement which they have "sustained".

Passed Unanimously

The meeting proceeded to elect a member of the Technical Instruction Committee in the room of Mr Roche resigned.
Proposed by Mr Glorman and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy "That Mr Williams be elected a member of the Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr Roche".

To which the following amendment was
Proposed by Mr Hanning and
Seconded by Mr Meehan Viz:- "That the vacancy be not filled."

On the amendment been put there voted

For-	Messrs Hanning and Meehan	2
Against	" Glorman, Dooley, Phelan, Williams, Murphy, & Chairman	6
	Majority against	4

The amendment was declared lost.
The original resolution was then put and the voting being the same Viz,- six For, and two against, was passed, and Mr Williams declared elected.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in by the Chairman, Mr John S. Hearn Viz:- "I beg to give notice that at meeting of the Council to be held on 27th inst, I will move that the resolution of the Council passed on 25th March 1905, increasing the salary of Mr Butler as Street Inspector from £4 to £26, be rescinded, and that his salary as Street Inspector be reduced from £26, to £4. per year".

John S Hearn

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 27th June 1906

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Friday 22nd June 1906

A meeting of the committee appointed to consider if anything could be done to improve the markets of the town by having them held on fixed days at which all buyers could attend, and also to protect the interest of the town in view of the proposal to establish a fair at Ballycullane or Dampile was held this day at 4 oclock P. M.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Presiding
James J. Glynman
Wm G. Williams
Peter Murphy

The following letter was read

Offices,
New Ross, 6th June 1906.

Dear Sir,

As to the powers of the Urban Council to compel fish dealers or others to sell their goods in certain places, the question depends on whether the council are legally entitled to make bye-laws for the management and control of the markets of the town. Some sixteen years ago, prosecutions were instituted for alleged breach of the existing bye-laws, but one of the cases was dismissed. Thereupon, by directions of the then Town Commissioners, we took the opinion of Mr Matheson K.C. as to the validity of the bye-laws, and he came to the conclusion that they were invalid. The opinion was however, somewhat doubtful in tone, and was on the whole not very satisfactory, but we are far from saying that it was an unsound opinion. Assuming however, that the existing bye-laws are invalid as being in excess of jurisdiction, it would according to Counsels opinion be very difficult to acquire any power of regulating the markets, but our own view is that under the Public Health Act, it is possible for the council to make valid bye-laws, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, and we think this is what the council ought to do, because the present bye-laws are very badly worded, and we dont think they give any useful powers to the council at all.

We will be glad to go into this matter with you further if necessary.

Yours very truly,
Solfer & Gethin.

M. J. Flynn Esq

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The blerk reported that he could not find amongst the old Charters any mention of rights given to the former Corporation of NewRoss to the exclusive holding of a fair within a raidus of ten miles of the town. He also called on Mr Tobin and he had no recollection of such being the case. The meeting directed the blerk to ascertain from the Council's Solicitors the probable cost of having new Bye-Laws made, as suggested by them, and that he also obtain copies of Bye-Laws in existence in other towns from the Town blerks of these towns.

The meeting adjourned John J Hearn

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A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider the following Notice of Motion served by Mr John S. Hearn J.P. Viz:- "I beg to give Notice that at meeting of the Council to be held on 27th Inst, I will move that the resolution of the Council passed on the 25th March 1905, increasing the salary of Mr Butler as Street Inspector from £4 to £26 be rescinded, and that his salary as Street Inspector be reduced from £26 to £4 per year." also to make a Town Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1907, and sign Collectors Warrant for collection of same.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman Presiding
Joseph Roche
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Wm. G. Williams
John Hanning
Samuel Hill
John Meehan
David Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
James Phelan
and
James B. Hearn

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Wm. G. Williams and Patrick Dunphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 56 M. J. Kinn New Ross (Petty Cash) £22-11-8

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

over

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Technical Instruction Committee,
New Ross, 26th June 1906.

Dear Sir,

I have to inform you that Mr John O'Sullivan, appointed by your Council a member of my Committee has apprised me of his unwillingness to act. I have, accordingly, to trouble your Council with the appointment to the vacancy of some other person — not a member of the Council, in this case.

Some statements were made at a recent meeting of your Council to which, in Justice to my Committee and for the information of your Council, I hope I may be allowed to refer. It was stated that a special class is being carried on by the Committee, the attendance fee for which is five shillings; that statement, simply, is not true. The sessional fee for each class, with the exception of one is only 1/6; the fee in the case of the exception is but 2/6, and large numbers of poor girls have been charged no fee whatever. I am aware that the fees charged in New Ross for attendance at the technical instruction classes are considerably less than those charged elsewhere. Fees are not charged by Committees out of any grasping desire to enrich their funds. The object of levying these nominal charges is to make the students feel that they are paying something for the instruction they receive, and that they ought to value it on that account. It is well-known that what is to be had for nothing is not valued. So much for the fees.

I must next refer to the expressed opinion (of the same Councillor) that the results of the operation of the Technical Instruction Act in New Ross are not commensurate with the money expended upon it. The basis of reasoning on which that judgment was founded, I cannot even remotely conceive. I will briefly point out that for an expenditure of £31 a year the Urban District of New Ross has been enabled to draw an annual grant of £250, and to share the services of six qualified teachers, Viz:- a Master of Arts, who teaches Art subjects, a Bachelor of Arts, who teaches commercial subjects, a manual instructor, a domestic economy instructress, a teacher of machine knitting and a lace teacher. If it could be proved that £31 worth of results were not extracted from that staff of teachers, the Committee, the executive, the teachers, either or all of them, would stand condemned; but the assertion will require some little proof.

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I have no doubt that if the Treasury bore the whole expense of technical instruction, ratepayers would be better pleased. As it is, the act prescribes a penny rate in order to share in the technical grant, and it is optional with local authorities to take the grant or leave it to their neighbours. But recognising, as anyone must who considers the question, the practical value of technical education, as well might one advocate the closing of the primary and secondary schools as the closing up of the technical schools.

If, too, it is objected that technical instruction only trains Irish youth for the benefit of foreign countries, the same objection may be said to hold against almost any branch of education, especially higher education, for which we are all, apparently, so clamorously anxious. While everybody appreciates the force of the objection refered to, very few deem it of sufficient weight to justify the abandonment of technical instruction there is the hope that the time will come when the trained Irish may find plentiful opportunities of living in Ireland.

The Roman Catholic Bishop of Waterford is an authority on educational matters as well as Mr Hanning, but, unlike Counsellor Hanning, his Lordship is a believer in the ultimate success of the technical instruction movement in this country, and sometime ago whilst recommending technical instruction to the country Dr. Sheehan urged the great necessity of popularising the technical classes. I may say that I gave some thought to that advice, and considering that the best way of popularising anything anything is by showing its pounds, shillings, and pence utility, I got a resolution adopted at the technical Congress in Waterford last week which if carried out in letter and spirit may do much towards popularising the technical instruction classes of Ireland. The purport of the resolution was the bringing into close co-operation the Technical Instruction Committees and the manufacturers and other employers with a view to securing preferential employment for technical instruction students of creditable record, and recommending Committees also to deem it their duty to co-operate with local Industrial Deveopment Associations with the object of devising means, whereever possible, of widening employment, and thus providing at home an industrial and commercial outlet adequate to the trained output. Apologising ever such much for the length of this letter.

I am, Yours faithfully,
Edward Long.
Secretary.

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Ordered That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting, to elect a member of the Technical Instruction Committee, the meeting expressed to hope that the Press would publish the letter in full.

D. W. & W. Railway Co,
Dublin, 21st June 1906.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 16th Inst, with regard to the accommodation ~~or~~ for loading cattle at New Ross, has been submitted to my Board and referred to the General Manager for a report.

Yours faithfully,
M. F. Keogh.
Secretary.

During the discussion which took place on the reading of this letter it was suggested that the proper remedy for the cause of complaint would be the erection of a loading platform for cattle for Waterford, and South of Ireland, on south side of road, and the following order was made Viz:- "That the D. W. & W. Railway Co be asked to erect a loading platform at South side of road to enable cattle for Waterford and South of Ireland to be loaded there, and thus relieve the congestion which frequently occurs at the present loading platform".

Offices,
New Ross, 27th June 1906.

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly send us a copy of the existing bye-laws relating to the Bridge and we will then write you on the subject of the proposed alteration in them.

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Lyttin.

The Clerk reported that he had sent Messrs Colfer & Lyttin a copy of the Bye-Law as requested.

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St Patrick's Home,
Waterford, 14th June 1906.

Dear Sir,

I should feel grateful if you would kindly let me know if your Council has yet come to any decision with regard to the Waterford Inebriate Home.

Through the Medium of the press I saw a slight reference to it, and also the suggestion of a certain member that they should convert the old prison into one. I request you therefore to bring this before the Council at their next meeting - in a private manner. Should your Council decide to do so it would land them in difficulties they do not yet foresee. They would be compelled to alter the prison, to pay superintendent, treasurer, Secretary attendants and for all this, receive the sum of 4s a week for each one committed. I would therefore suggest that they should utilise the old prison for an Inebriate Home for women Catholics. There is no such one in the British Isles. Hence the hope for a large number. I would further suggest they should hand it over to a community of nuns such as the Good Shepherds for they would run it at much less expense than your Council could. I enclose list offers paid in a mixed Home (Catholics & Protestants) in Lancashire and the members can see for themselves the payments they would be expected to make.

I am Sir,
Sincerely Yours,
P. Feeney.

A Table showing the number committed for year 1905 was also received.

No Order made

20th June 1906.

Sir,

It has been represented to the Post office authorities that the "rear wall of Molloy's premises" which adjoins the Post office at New Ross, is out of plumb to the extent of about 1 foot, and that cracks are visible in the upper part of it. I need scarcely say that serious damage to the Post Office, and injury to those who happened to be in the building at the time, might result if the wall gave way, and in order to prevent any damage of this

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kind I am directed to call the attention of the Urban Council to the matter, & to request that they will kindly take steps to have the wall examined and properly tied in, if necessary.

May I ask you to be so good as to bring this letter to the notice of the Council, and to favour me with a reply to it at your early convenience.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
R. H. Mahon
Surveyor G. P. O.

M. J. Flinn Esq

Ordered

That the Town Surveyor be directed to furnish a report on this matter to next meeting of the Council.

No 36,344/1906
New Ross Urban Dist

Local Government Board, Dublin.
25th June 1906.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th Inst, claiming exemption on behalf of the New Ross Urban District Council from contributing towards the salary of the County Surveyor; and, in reply, I am to state that the Board see no reason why the Urban District Council should not, as part of the County, bear their proportionate share of this expenditure.

I am, Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
H. Courtenay.
Assistant Secretary.

No Order made

A circular letter was received from the Local Government Board, enclosing a copy of The Public Bodies Order 1906 in reference to Poor Rate Collectors qualifications, and it was ordered that it be filed for future reference.

A letter was received from The New Ross Gas Co stating that they intend opening the road outside Mr Wm. G. Williams's for the purpose of getting in a new supply pipe.

No order made

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The Commissioner of Valuation wrote acknowledging receipt of Lists of Tenements requiring Revision in the Urban District of New Ross.

Mr J. A. Baker Local Government Auditor, wrote, notifying that he intended opening the audit of the Accounts of the Council for year ending 31st March 1906, on Thursday 12th July at 10.30 oclock A.M.

Ordered That the Clerk publish the necessary notice in connection with the forthcoming Audit.

Cushinstown,
Ballinaboola, June 18th 1906.

M. J. Flinn Esq,

Thanks for your favour of the 8th Inst, in reply to my request of the 4th Inst for permission to hold occasional meetings of the Enniscorthy District Conference Committee, in one of the rooms of the Thobel.

I beg to state that the business of the Committee is merely routine, collecting information as to the progress or otherwise of the societies and making suggestions for the next meeting of the General District Conference as to the better organisation of the several Districts.

Should your Council give permission to hold our meetings in the Thobel, I shall have an Agenda of the business of the meeting sent to you.

Yours truly
John J. OByrne.

The Clerk stated that on receipt of this letter he wrote Mr Byrne asking him again what were the objects of the Society, whether it was political, Agricultural, or otherwise and received the following reply.

Cushinstown, Ballinaboola,
June 23rd 1906.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 20th Inst, I beg to state the business of the conference meetings is purely Agricultural. I understand you will have a meeting of your Council next week, you will kindly send me answer (yes or no) as we want to hold our meeting and if not

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allowed the use of the Thobel, must see about a room somewhere else in Town.

Yours truly,
. John J. OByrne.

Proposed by Mr Meehan and
Seconded by Mr Hanning "That we give permission to the Enniscorthy District bommittee to hold meetings occasionally in the Large Room."

The Chairman put the resolution when there voted

For- Messrs Meehan, Hanning, Hand and Hill ——— 4

Against- .. P. Murphy, D. Murphy, Roche, Williams, Dunphy, Phelan,
J. B. Hearn, the Chairman ——— 8

The resolution was declared lost.

In connection with the making of the Town Rate the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy.
Seconded by Mr Phelan and resolved.

"That we raise the sum of seventeen hundred and four pounds, fourteen shillings and one penny, as and for Town Rate, and for that purpose we make a Town Rate of four shillings and three pence in the pound for the financial year commencing on the first day of April 1906, and ending the thirty-first day of March 1907; on the property situate in the Urban District of New Ross rateable under the under-mentioned Acts for the purposes therein mentioned of which Town Rate of 4/3 in the Pound, 2/6 in the Pound is for general purposes under the provisions of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and the sum of 1/9 in the Pound is for Sanitary purposes under the provisions of the Public Health (Ireland) Acts which Sanitary rate includes one penny in the Pound for the purpose of Technical Instruction under the provisions of the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act 1899.

Passed — Messrs Hand & Hanning voting against, and Mr Meehan declining to say whether he voted For or against.

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Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Phelan and Resolved "That the Presiding Chairman and five other members of the Council sign the Town Rate Books, and the Resolution making the Town Rate, and the adoption of the Town Rate endorsed thereon, and affix the Common Seal of the Council to said Rate Books, and endorsements; and that the Collector's warrant, endorsed on said Rate Books, be signed by the Presiding Chairman and two of the members of the Council present and countersigned by the Clerk, and sealed with the Common Seal".

Passed Mr Fanning dissenting

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the Rate Books were signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy, John Meehan, James Phelan, Joseph Roche, and James B. Hearn, and sealed and countersigned by the Clerk and the warrants for collection of same were also duly signed & sealed.

A discussion took place respecting the absence from duty of the Town Surveyor and it was
Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Hand "That if Mr Byrne be not at his work at 10 o'clock in the morning he be dismissed".

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hill "That the Surveyor get until Monday morning to attend to his duties, and if he fails to attend then he be dismissed.

Proposed by Mr Meehan "That the Surveyor get until next meeting".
This proposition was not seconded.

Proposed by Mr J. B. Hearn and
Seconded by Mr Meehan "That we await the Surveyor's return to convalescence before taking any action in respect to his absence from duty."

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Passed Messrs Roche, Hand & Hill voting against.

Ordered That the Town Surveyor add to his recommendations for next Quarterly meeting of the Council, to be held on the 11th July. the construction of a new footpath in Neville St from Mr James Kavanagh's house to Mr H. W. Harding's; and furnish an estimate of the cost of constructing same.

The meeting proceeded to consider the "Notice of Motion" to reduce the salary of Mr Butler as Street Inspector, which was served by the Chairman, — copy of which is entered at the commencement of these Minutes - and the following letter, and Memorial in reference to same was read. Viz:-

New Ross
27th June 1906

Gentlemen/

In re the Notice of Motion to reduce my salary, I enclose a memorial signed by the principal ratepayers of the Town.

I remain Gentlemen.
Your Obedient Servant.
Thomas Butler.

Memorial

26th June 1906.

We the undersigned ratepayers, believe that the Notice of Motion to reduce the Street Inspectors salary, to be uncalled for, as we believe that, since his appointment, he has carried out the duties of that office in a proper manner, and we believe him to be well worthy of his present salary.

The foregoing memorial was signed by one hundred and eleven householders of New Ross, including some of the leading merchants, and professional gentlemen residing in it.

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Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Roche

"That the terms of the notice of motion be carried out".

Proposed by Mr Hanning and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That Mr Butler's salary be left as it is."

Mr Meehan proposed that it be reduced by one shilling per week, but the proposition was not seconded.

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr James B. Hearn

"That Mr Butler's salary as Street Inspector be reduced by £9 per annum".

The Chairman put Mr Murphy's amendment and there voted
For-Messrs D. Murphy, Williams, J.B. Hearn, P. Murphy, Meehan, Hand,
Roche, Dunphy, and the Chairman 9
Against-Messrs Phelan, Hanning & Hill 3
The Chairman declared the Amendment passed.

The resolutions proposed by the Chairman and Mr Hanning were withdrawn with the consent of the majority of the members present, after which

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 11th July 1906.

John L Hearn

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Wednesday 11th July 1906

A Quarterly meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7 oclock P.M. to consider an application, received from the inhabitants of Neville St. "to construct a new footpath from Mr Kavanagh's house to Mr Harding's house in Neville St," and consider Town Surveyor's Quarterly report.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Presiding
Wm. G. Williams
David Murphy
Samuel Hill
John Meehan
and
Patrick Dunphy

The minutes of previous Quarterly meeting were read and signed

The following Quarterly report of the Surveyor was read :—

I have nothing special on the roads or streets within the District, the materials are being prepared for the winter, so far I cannot complain.

Thomas Byrne

The Clerk reported that he was unable to obtain limestones at the price allowed Viz:- £2-4-0 per boatload. He called personally on Messrs Doyle Bros., J. Power & Co, Mrs Carr, Mrs Roche, P. Carroll, W. Cleere, and wrote Thos. Barron's employer but none of them would supply stones at the price. after some discussion it was —

Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy

"That the Clerk be authorized to pay up to "27/= per boatload for limestones during the present year if he cannot obtain "them for less."

Passed Unanimously

New Ross
11th July 1906

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 30th ult. I would be glad to recommend

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a new footpath on the west side of Neville St but the Council had already under consideration one on the east side which the public use more frequently and which the Council rejected, I do not see my way to recommend this path until the other is made.

Yours truly,
Thomas Byrne

Ordered

That this letter be approved of.

The meeting adjourned

John L Hearn

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Wednesday 11th July 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to elect a member of the Technical Instruction Committee in room of Mr O'Sullivan resigned.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Presiding
Wm G. Williams
David Murphy
Samuel Hill
John Meehan
Patrick and Dunphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Wm G. Williams and Patrick Dunphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 57	Michael Hunt	Dunganstown		£2 - 16 - 0
" 58	Stephen Carroll	Raheen		2 - 8 - 0
" 59	P.A. Jeffares	New Ross		2 - 3 - 6
" 60	Thomas Barron	Inistiogue		4 - 8 - 0
" 61	Treasurer L. Government	Board	Dublin	22 - 10 - 7
" 62	The Typewriter Co	Dublin		2 - 14 - 3
" 63	M. J. Flynn	New Ross		6 - 5 - 0
" 64	same	"		19 - 10 - 9
" 65	John J. Browne	"		9 - 18 - 6
" 66	New Ross Gas Co	"		50 - 0 - 0
" 67	Thomas Byrne	"		5 - 1 - 8

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

No 83/M/1906

Local Government Board, Dublin,
30th June 1906.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to request that you will have the goodness to forward to this office, as usual, copies of the

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notices of all rates made in the Urban District for the service of the current financial year.

Iam Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
H. Courtenay.
Assistant Secretary.

The Clerk stated that he had forwarded the notices.

Offices,
New Ross, 11th July 1906.

re:- Markets

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 23rd instant, it is difficult to give even an approximate of the costs of making new bye laws, so much will depend on the course taken by the Local Government Board, before sanctioning them. These costs and expenses might amount to anything between £20 and £40.

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Lyethin.

M. J. Hinn
Town Clerk

Ordered

That this letter be referred to the Market Committee.

Offices,
New Ross, 11th July 1906.

re :- New Ross Bridge Bye-Laws.

Dear Sir,

Referring to yours of 15th ulto., we have drafted the new bye laws, but as the draft shall have to be carefully revised, we defer submitting it to the Council until their next meeting.

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Lyethin.

M. J. Hinn Esq

No order made

A letter was received from Mrs Davitt acknowledging vote of sympathy passed by the Council on the death of her husband, the late Mr M. Davitt,

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Town Clerk's Office,
Clonmel, 30th June 1906.

Public Bodies Order 1904

Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Corporation of Clonmel to send you the accompanying copy of a Resolution adopted on the 15th Inst, and to request that you may be so kind as to bring it before the next meeting with a view to having a similar Resolution adopted and sent to the Chief Secretary and the Irish Party.

It is also hoped that your Board will kindly join in the movement for the withdrawl of the Order.

I am Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
John F. O'Brien.
Town Clerk.

Copy

At a meeting of the Council of the Borough of Clonmel, holden in the Council Chamber within the Town Hall, on Friday, the 15th day of June 1906.

It was moved by Ald Alderman Morrissey J.P.,
And seconded by The Right Worshipful the Mayor

Resolved — "That the Public Bodies' order, 1904, unduly attempts to interfere with the independence of the elected representatives of the people in the management of their local affairs; that it contains provisions unnecessary, impracticable, unwarranted, and highly vexatious, and which would cause considerable expense; that the Public Bodies of the country have almost unanimously condemned the order; and that it is most desirable for the Public Bodies of Ireland to decide upon a common course of action, with a view to inducing the Chief Secretary to withdraw the order."

T. P. Morrissey
Thomas Skehan

Ordered

That the foregoing resolution received from the Corporation of Clonmel be adopted by this Council.

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Messrs Longe + Saggart wrote acknowledging receipt of order for stench traps, directed to be obtained by the Sanitary Committee, for sewers on Quay and the meeting approved of same being got and set.

An application was received from Mary Druhan Wexford St, for the tenancy of a house in William St, lately Occupied by Timothy Coghlan and offered Mr Samuel Hill as surety. She had also lodged the necessary rent, and on the proposition of Mr David Murphy, seconded by Mr Meehan she was accepted tenant.

The Clerk reported that Dr. Hickey had surrendered possession of the yard or garden in William St on the 28th June, and he applied for same.

Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy

"That Mr Kinn be accepted tenant of the garden in William St, lately occupied by Dr. Hickey at the rent paid by him; the tenancy to be a yearly one and to commence from this date."

Passed Unanimously

Collector's Report

New Ross, July 11th 1906.

Sir,

I beg leave to report that the weekly tenants are paying their rents very well.

Patrick Mc. Grath formerly tenant of one of the Urban Councils, William St, houses, gave up possession on the 28th May 1906, leaving a balance of rent due 11/6. I wrote to him in c/o The Station Master Wexford, for the amount as I was informed that he was working there, and not hearing from him I wrote to the Station Master on the 5th July, inquiring if he was working there, also sent a stamp for postage but have received no reply up to the present.

Timothy Coghlan has left his house on the 6th July without giving any notice whatsoever leaving a balance of rent due 15/3 ending 9th day of July 1906.

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Mrs Eliza Rochford Chapel Lane, require to have her chimney swept.

Your Obedient Servant,
John J. Browne,
Collector.

Ordered

That the Clerk get the chimneys of the Councils houses, not already included in the existing contract, cleaned by Thomas Martin if he is willing to do them at the same rate as those for which he has a contract.

Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee recommended the payment of undermentioned, (see list at commencement of Minutes). We beg to draw the Councils attention to the Surveyor's account for salary & office expenses, which we submit for their consideration.

Signed
John S. Hearn
David Murphy

Ordered

That a Paying Order be issued and held over by Clerk until directed by Chairman to be paid out to Mr Byrne, or if he signs it, it may be given to Mrs Byrne.

Proposed by Mr Meehan and
Seconded by Mr D. Murphy

"That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, and the payments recommended by them be made."

Passed Unanimously

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean on each day since last meeting. The water table at South side of Quay St requires to be repaired, and also the paving of Lady Lane. Portion of the North Eave of the Public closet requires to

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be re-slated. On several occasions, lately, he cautioned traders against depositing machinery on the streets and footpaths but without avail, also whether machinery is to be allowed in Cook's Lane the gate of which was left open on 10th Inst.

Ordered.

That the Foreman attend to the paving of Quay St, and Lady Lane as soon as possible.

"That the Clerk instruct the Council's Solicitors to take legal proceedings against any person, or persons who will, in future, deposit machinery, boxes, or other articles, on the streets or footpaths upon same being reported to him by the Street Inspector, without further directions of the Council."

There was no order made respecting the repairing of the Eave of closet for the present.

Proposed by Mr Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That Mr John S. Hearn J.P. be elected a "member of the Technical Instruction Committee in the room of Mr O'Sullivan "who has declined to act."

Passed Unanimously

The meeting went into Committee to consider the following letter from Messrs Colfer & Lethin:—

Offices,
New Ross, 12th July 1906.

re:- Ballycullane Fair

Dear Sir,

We received from the Sheriff yesterday a notice announcing his intention to hold an inquiry under a Writ "ad quod damnum" in reference to the above fairs at Wexford on 26th Inst.

Please bring this matter before your Council immediately either this evening, if there will be an ordinary meeting then, or if not, you ought to call a special meeting for the purpose.

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We must not be understood as expressing any opinion as to how far opposition to these fairs by your Council would be successful, but if it is intended to oppose, the proper steps should be taken at once.

The first thing to consider is, whether the Council will be represented by Counsel or only by a Solicitor, and as to this, we are of opinion that if opposition is decided on, Counsel ought to be employed.

The next thing is to instruct us as to the grounds of the opposition. The inquiry is to be held for the purpose of ascertaining what injury the establishment of these fairs would cause to any individual, body of individuals, or any Corporation, Town or District, and it should be shown that a fair at Ballycullane would be injurious to the inhabitants of New Ross whom your Council represents.

Then the Council must select the witnesses whom they will examine, and supply us with a statement of the evidence of these witnesses. The evidence should go to prove that large numbers of people from the neighbourhood of Ballycullane are in the habit of attending the fairs of New Ross where good prices for their cattle are usually obtainable, and that the withdrawl of these people from New Ross would be a great loss to the Fairs and markets of the Town and consequently to the traders and inhabitants generally.

We do not think that evidence going to show that Campile, Wellington Bridge or any other place would be ~~a~~ more suitable as a site for fairs than Ballycullane, would be admissible, but cases of this kind are so rare that it is very difficult to say what class of evidence would be admitted or rejected. We think however, it would be useful to show if possible that the establishment of this fair would be likely to injure New Ross Fair, without being itself of any substantial advantage to the district of Ballycullane.

Evidence of this character would probably be hard to obtain, and extensive cattle dealers would be the most likely persons to supply it.

May we be allowed to say that letters such as this should not be given to the press for publication. If a private individual had a lawsuit pending, he would not be likely to supply his opponent with particulars of the advice given him by his own Solicitor, and it seems to us that what would be imprudent in the case of an individual is usually imprudent in the case of a public body.

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Gethin.

M. J. Flinn Esq
Town Clerk.

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After some discussion the following resolution was :-

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That a committee comprising the fairs,
"and markets, committee, already appointed, consisting of Messrs Williams,
"Gorman, P. Murphy, and the Chairman, be appointed to confer with
" the Councils Solicitors and take such steps as they may deem advisable
" to oppose the establishment of the proposed new fair at Ballycullane, as
" its establishment would in all probability seriously interfere with the
" fairs held in New Ross".

Passed

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 25th July 1906.

John O'Hora

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Monday 16th July 1906

A meeting of the committee appointed to consider matters in connection with the proposed opposition to the Ballycullane Fair was held in the office of the Council at 4 oclock P.M. on this date.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
and
Peter Murphy

The following was read :-

Offices,
New Ross, 14th July 1906.

re-Ballycullane Fair

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 12th Inst, we will be prepared to meet the committee if they call here on Monday next at any hour between 12 oclock & 2.30 oclock, or between 4 oclock and 6.30 oclock.

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Lyttin.

M. J. Flinn Esq

The committee adjourned to Messrs Colfer & Lyttin's office and had an interview with Mr Colfer, who explained matters in connection with it, and it was decided to ascertain the views of Messrs Fitzgerald Waterford, J. G. Dooley, Griffith and any other large cattle dealers who are in the habit of attending the New Ross fair, as to whether the proposed fair at Ballycullane would be of any injury to New Ross, and if they would be willing to attend the Inquiry and give evidence of this.

The committee also decided not to retain Counsel, being of opinion that the matter would be perfectly safe in Mr Colfer's hands. The committee directed the Clerk to wait on Mr Dooley and arrange to have him call on Mr Colfer that he might have a note of his evidence after which the meeting adjourned.

July 16th 1906

On this date the following letter was received from Mr Colfer by the Clerk, who submitted it to Messrs Hearn & Murphy individually and also reported that Mr Dooley would call on Messrs Colfer &

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Gethin and give them a note of his evidence.

Offices,
New Ross, 16th July 1906.

Dear Sir,

Referring to the interview which I had this afternoon with Mr John S. Hearn, Mr Peter Murphy and yourself in connection with a proposed opposition by the Urban Council, to the establishment of a fair at Ballycullane, I desire to make it clear to the Council, that if they adhere to the decision, which Messrs Hearn and Murphy arrived at, namely that Counsel should not be employed, on the hearing of the matter, I must assume that the opposition is not intended to be taken seriously. I am aware that the promoters have been advised at every step by Counsel. I am confident they will be represented at the hearing by Counsel, and in my opinion the conduct of the opposition should be advised upon and directed by Counsel.

In these circumstances I must regard, and I think the public will agree with me in regarding the opposition as distinctly half hearted.

Yours very truly,
John R. Colfer.

M J. Flinn Esq

The Committee decided to take no further action until they could ascertain the views of the proposed witnesses, already referred to.

July 20th 1906

On this date the following letter was received from Messrs Colfer & Gethin and submitted to the Committee who in the meantime had ascertained that none of witnesses except, Mr Dooley would attend the Inquiry, and they did not consider his evidence, copy of which follows, very favourable from an opposition point of view.

Offices,
New Ross, 20th July 1906.

Dear Sir,

I desire to draw your attention to the fact that I am still without any instructions or notes of evidence as to the intended opposition of the Urban Council, to the proposed establishment of Fairs at Ballycullane.

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Mr Dooley called on me and I took a note of his evidence, which I read for him, and a copy of which I enclose you. I will not be at home to-day or to-morrow, but if you have any instructions to give, Mr Lethin will attend to you.

Yours very truly,
John R. Colfer.

M. J. Kinn Esq.

Re-Ballycullane Fair

Evidence of James George Dooley

James George Dooley. I reside at Rosbercon and farm about 1800 acres in counties of Wexford and Kilkenny. I consider the establishment of a fair at Ballycullane would considerably injure the New Ross Fairs, which are now very good Fairs, and would consequently injure the traders of Ross. As to the benefit of a fair at Ballycullane, I believe such a fair would be a great convenience to the people in the neighbourhood.

I am aware that several small fairs in the Neighbourhood have failed, but it might be different in the case of Ballycullane, owing to the existence of the new Railway.

Accordingly they directed the Clerk to write the Solicitors as follows, having previously decided again not to retain Counsel

20th July 1906

Messrs Colfer & Lethin
New Ross

Gentlemen, re-Ballycullane Fair

Referring to your letter of 16th and 20th Inst, I desire to say that Messrs Peter Murphy and J. S. Hearn J.P. attended in the Council office to-day, and, having considered them, directed me to report to you as follows:—

(1) Mr Fitzgerald of Waterford is prepared to state, in writing, that the establishment of a fair at Ballycullane will, in his opinion, seriously injure the fair of New Ross but he cannot attend the Inquiry.

(2) Mr Griffith Waterford, is of same opinion but the Committee cannot

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yet ascertain definitely from him whether he can attend the Inquiry or not.

(3) Mr Patrick Delaney is in favour of the establishment of a fair in Ballycullane.

(4) The committee do not consider Mr Dooley's evidence very favourable from an opposing point of view.

(5) They are not prepared to engage counsel in the matter, as they believe their interest will be adequately attended to by you.

Having regard to the uncertainty of being able to produce any material evidence in opposition to the establishment of the Fair, independent of the foregoing, they are anxious to know whether you consider that obtainable, of much use, or whether, under the circumstances, it would be of any avail to proceed further with the proposed opposition, by the Council, to the establishment of the fair.

Yours faithfully,
M. J. Kinn.
Clerk of Council.

On same date the following reply was received.

Offices,
New Ross, 20th July 1906.

Dear Sir,

We have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of this date, giving particulars of the views of the several witnesses whose evidence was supposed to be material, in this matter.

It is always difficult to predict the result of any legal proceedings, but in as much as it appears from your letter that there is no evidence of any material value available, we cannot see, on what grounds we are to oppose. The mere appearance of a Solicitor to oppose is not real opposition, unless on a legal point, and so far, no such point has appeared. Real opposition must have evidence behind it, and we see none up to the present except that of Mr Dooley, which in your view and indeed in ours is not very strong.

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Gethin.

M. J. Kinn Esq

July 23rd 1906

A meeting of the Ballycullane Fair Committee was held

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in the office of the Council at 11 oclock A.M.

As the Committee could not procure any witnesses to attend the Inquiry on behalf of the Council, they decided to abandon the opposition and directed the Clerk to inform Messrs Colfer & Gethin of their decision; accordingly the following letter was addressed to them by the Clerk.

23rd July 1906

Messrs Colfer & Gethin

New Ross

Re - Ballycullane Fair

Gentlemen/

Mr Griffith will not consent to be examined as a witness on behalf of the Council at the forthcoming Inquiry to be held at Wexford on 26th inst.

As the Committee cannot get any witnesses to attend, they see no course open to them but to abandon the proposed opposition to the fair, and they have accordingly directed me to instruct you to this effect.

Yours faithfully,
M. J. Flinn.
Clerk of Council.

The Committee adjourned indefinitely

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Wednesday 25th July 1906

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Wm G. Williams
Peter Murphy
Michael Greaney
James Phelan
and
David Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

A Paying Order for £14-2-7 was received from the Chief Secretary, and it was ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Wm G. Williams and Peter Murphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 68 M. J. Kinn NewRoss £17-9-11

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

Offices,
NewRoss, 25th July 1906.

re:- NewRoss Bridge Bye-Laws

Dear Sir,

Referring to yours of 15th ulto, we have to say that on revising the bye-laws which we drafted in accordance with the instructions of the Council, we are not satisfied that the Council have power to make a bye law prohibiting vessels from mooring to the Bridge or to the warping buoys and we would not like to make ourselves responsible for the preparation of a bye law on this point, unless under the advice of Counsel. Such an important matter is invariably recognised as a fit subject for Counsels advice.

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Gethin.

M. J. Kinn Esq

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Ordered

That a copy of the foregoing letter be sent to the Wexford County Council, and Kilkenny County Council, with a request of their observations upon it.

Town Tenants League

Executive offices,
4 Upper Obonnell St,
Dublin, 5th July 1906.

Sir,

The Third Annual Convention of the Town Tenants League will be held at the Mansion House, Dublin, on Thursday, the 30th of August, at 11 A.M.

The claim of Town Tenants to an alteration of the laws governing Town Tenure in Ireland is now regarded as just and reasonable, and legislative reform is well in sight. Town Tenants have in a great measure shaken off the indifference with which they viewed the harsh application of unjust laws, and capricious evictions have come to be regarded in their true light as outrages upon the well-being of the community. Much good has followed on this educative process, and the grasping townlord now realises that his day of legal confiscation is drawing to a close.

Previous conventions proved that a body of intelligent organised opinion could do much to hasten legislative relief, and promote principles of self-reliance; this Convention should be made a demonstration of the fact that Urban Ireland is thoroughly aroused, and that the demand for justice finds an echo in every village and town of Ireland.

I trust your district will be represented at the forthcoming Convention, and that its delegates will assist in impressing upon the Government that the demand for reform in the laws come from a thoroughly resolute and United Urban Ireland.

I enclose cards of admission to Convention which please hand to those selected, and I will be obliged if you will kindly send me the delegates' names when appointed.

Yours faithfully,
T. M. Coghlan Briscoe.

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Ordered That the members be summoned to attend next meeting to appoint delegates.

A circular letter was received from Messrs Brown and Polson asking if they could have the use of the Town Hall for their Cookery Demonstrations and the Clerk stated he had informed them that the Council are not proprietors of the Town Hall, but that it was now owned by Baron Kavanagh. He also referred them to the Secretaries of the Commercial Hall.

The steps taken by the Clerk were approved of and no further order made for the present.

A letter was received from the Commissioner of Valuation stating that the Annual Revision of the District was about being made and asking to have any Supplemental lists received forwarded.

The Clerk stated he had informed the Commissioner that none were received, and this was approved of.

The Clerk also reported that he could not obtain limestones at the price allowed 27/= but Walter Cleere stated he would deliver some at 28/= per boat-load, and it was ordered that the price be increased to 28/=, the Clerk to procure them from any persons willing to supply them at this price.

He also reported that James Carroll, James Norris Holly House Lane, and Mary Doyle William St had not yet entered into Bonds for the payment of their rent and it was

Ordered That they be informed if they do not do so at once the Council will have to take steps to obtain possession of the houses occupied by them.

He also ordered to ask the D. W. & W^{d} Railway Co for a reply to his letter in reference to increase of accomodation for loading cattle at Rosbercon by the construction of a loading platform on South side of level crossing at Rosbercon.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Mr Phelan Viz:-
at next meeting I shall propose that a lamp be erected in Rosbercon

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half-ways between the Urban Boundary and the lamp at the Catholic Church".

Ordered

That the members be summoned to attend next meeting of the Council to consider it.

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean on each day since last meeting. The holes in the paving of Cook's Lane and Lady Lane have been levelled.

No order made

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 8th August 1906.

John L Stearn

Monday 6th August 1906

Monthly meeting day

No attendance of members.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 8th August 1906.

John L Stearn

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Wednesday 8th August 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider following Notice of Motion by Mr Phelan Viz:- "That a lamp be erected in Rosbercon half-ways between the Urban Boundary and the lamp at the Catholic Church", also to appoint delegates to attend a convention of the Town Tenants League, to be held in the Mansion House on 30th August

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
David Murphy
Wm. Ly. Williams
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Joseph Roche
~~John~~ and ~~Hand~~
James Phelan

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Joseph Roche and Peter Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 69	Stephen Carroll		£ 0 - 17 - 0
" 70	Michael Hunt	Dunganstown	19 - 10
" 71	Robert Costello	Waterford	1 - 5 - 0
" 72	Moran Bros	New Ross	7 - 19 - 7
" 73	James Barron	"	1 - 17 - 1
" 74	Patrick Hunt	"	1 - 6 - 0
" 75	Margaret Roche	Ballyanne	11 - 0 - 0
" 76	Thomas Martin	New Ross	15 - 0
" 77	Longe & Taggart	Dublin	1 - 10 - 0
" 78	New Ross Gas Co	New Ross	56 - 4 - 4
" 79	John Tobin	"	12 - 10 - 0
" 80	Patrick Redmond	"	4 - 6 - 8
" 81	same	"	4 - 6 - 8
" 82	John Kough	"	17 - 6 - 4
" 83	Sec School Attendance Ct	"	7 - 17 - 5

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No 84	John J. Browne	New Ross	£ 14 . 8 . 9
" 85	George W. Carr	"	1 . 16 . 0
" 86	M. J. Hinn (Petty cash)	"	14 . 19 . 5
" 87	Dr. Hickey	"	7 . 10 . 0
" 88	Treasurer L. G. Board	Dublin	20 . 15 . 8
" 89	Treasurer Co Council	Wexford	216 . 14 . 2

The following correspondence was dealt with

New Ross Gas Co.
New Ross, 8th August 1906.

Gentlemen,

In answer to your advertisement for lighting the Public Lamps of the Town, I am directed by the New Ross Gas Company Limited to inform you that they beg to propose to light said Lamps as follows:-

Winter Lighting
from 1st September 1906 to 1st May 1907

48 lamps to be extinguished at 11 o'clock P.M at £2 . 2 . 0 per lamp.
14 lamps to remain lighting all night at £3 . 10 per lamp.
The above lamps not to be lighted on nights of full moon, that is, two nights before, the night of the full moon, and two nights after.
31 lamps to be lighted on nights of full moon and extinguished at 11 o'clock at £0 . 7 . 6 per lamp.

Summer Lighting
from 1st May 1907 to 1st September 1907.

15 lamps to remain lighting all night save on nights of full moon at £0 . 17 . 0 per lamp.
The lamp at the Tholsel to be charged at £5 . 12 . 6 per annum.
Any of the foregoing Lamps fitted with Incandescent burners will be charged at seven shillings per lamp extra per annum except the lamp at the Tholsel which will be fitted free of charge.
The upkeep to be charged to the Council at cost price. A four feet per hour burner will be used sample of which I send you.

Yours faithfully,
David Hunt.
Secretary.

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After considerable discussion it was ordered that a special meeting of the Council be held on Friday 17th Inst at 4.30 oclock P.M. to consider the question of the public lighting of the town for the ensuing year; and also the proposal of the Gas Co for same.

New Ross Gas Co Ltd.,
New Ross, August 8th 1906.

Dear Sir,

I am directed to call your attention to the defective state of the water table outside our premises, and to ask if you would kindly have it repaired.

Our Manager has repeatedly pointed out the defects to your officials, but they say they cannot act without an order from your Board.

Yours faithfully,
David Hunt.
Secretary.

M. J. Flinn Esq

Ordered

That the matter complained of in the letter, be referred to a meeting of the Street Committee, to be held on Monday next at 4 Oclock P.M.

Quay St,
New Ross, 4th August 1906.

Dear Sir,

You will be good enough to get water pipe taken away from my yard in Charles St. I may say I have got no water there for the last 12 months.

Yours truly,
P. J. Byrne.

M. J. Flinn Esq

The Clerk reported that the pipe was cut off on receipt of the letter and this was approved of.

A Memorial, signed by thirty-one residents of Rosbercon, asking for a lamp to be erected in Rosbercon, near Mr White's entrance gate, was received and ordered to be considered in conjunction with Mr Phelan's notice of motion, at a later stage of the meeting

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Wexford County Council,
Courthouse, 31st July 1906.

Dear Mr Flynn,

I have yours enclosing copy of letter from the Solicitors to your Urban Council re bye-laws New Ross Bridge. I have sent copy of same to Mr R. W. Elgee County Solicitor for his advice.

Yours faithfully,
N. J. Frizelle.
Secretary.

No Order made

New Ross,
8o Wexford, 8th August 1906.

Dear Sir,

Would you please bring under the notice of the Urban Council the improvements made by me in the yard recently held from them in William St, i.e. repairing and putting a new roof on the shed which was in ruins when I took the place, also building a new entrance gate way. The old one was repaired by me several times and finally fell asunder and had to be replaced by the present one.

Kindly let me know if they will allow me compensation for the above improvements.

Yours truly,
Garrett A. Hickey.

Ordered

That Dr Hickey be informed the Council regret they cannot allow him any compensation for the improvements.

A proposal of 3/= was received from John Walsh Tinakilly, Rosbercon, for scrapings on Waterford road, near Mr Doyle's store, and it was ordered to be accepted.

D. W. & W. Railway Co,
Dublin, 28th July 1906.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of 27th Inst,

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which shall have attention.

Yours faithfully,
M. H. Keogh.
Secretary.

M. J. Flinn Esq

Ordered That the Railway be be requested to give a definite reply to the Council on the subject matter of the letter.

Report of Collector Browne

I beg to report weekly tenants owing one months rent and over.

John Hand	William St	2/6 per week	12 - 3
P. Mc. Grath	"	(out of possession)	11 - 6
John Whitty	"	do	9 - 6
Mary Canterbury	"	Rent 1/9 per week	8 - 3
Mary Doyle	"	"	7 - 3
Anne Wallace	"	"	9 - 9
Timothy Coghlan	"	(out of possession)	15 - 3
Edward Whitty	"		8 - 3
Anne Ryan	"		8 - 9
Edward Whelan	"		8 - 3
James Kehoe			11 - 3
Ellen Donovan			7 - 9
James Carroll			14 - 0
Joseph Allen			8 - 0

Mr Michael Kavanagh of William St, tenant of the house lately occupied by Patrick Mc. Grath, there is a little plastering required about the fireplace, also a little repairs to the floor.

Your Obedient Servant,
John J. Browne.

Ordered That the Clerk apply to the Securities of those tenants, who are out of possession for payment of the arrears of rent due by them, and that the repairs referred to carried out in Kavanagh's house.

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31st July 1906

Dear Sir,

Referring to my letter of 20th ulto., and to your reply of 30th ultimo., I shall be obliged if you can let me know what has been done as soon as possible, the matter being somewhat urgent.

Yours faithfully,
R. J. Mahon.
Surveyor G.P.O.

It having been stated that the Surveyor was directed at a previous meeting of the Council to report upon the condition of the wall of Miss Molloy's house (to which this letter referred) and that the order was communicated to him by the Clerk both orally and written, but no report was received from him, a lengthened discussion took place respecting the failure of that officer to comply with the order of the Council, during which it was

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That if the Town Surveyor does not resume duty within one week, he be asked to send in his resignation."

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That he be asked to send in his resignation at once".

Before either of these resolutions were put to the meeting it was stated that owing to a resolution, dealing with this passed on the 27th June it would be informed to vote on either and this view seemed to be shared by the majority of the members present, and the following Notice of Motion was accordingly handed in by Mr Roche Viz:- At next meeting of this Council I will propose that the resolution passed at meeting of this Council on June 27th, relative to Mr Byrne's illness be rescinded, and that the Surveyor be called on to resign his position as Borough Surveyor in consequence of him failing to attend to orders of this Council.

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Report of Auditor on Accounts of Technical Instruction Committee

Kingstown.
25th July 1906

Gentlemen

I have the honour to report that I have audited the accounts of New Ross Technical Instruction Committee for the financial year ended 31st March, 1906, and I beg to transmit, herewith four copies of the abstracts duly certified.

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant,
J. A. Baker.

a copy of the abstract was also received.

No order made

Auditors Report of Council

Kingstown,
25th July 1906.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to ~~be~~ report that I have audited the accounts of New Ross Urban District for the financial yearended 31st March 1906 and transmit herewith three certified copies of the abstracts in the prescribed form.

The Town Rate levied for the period amounted to 2/11 in the £ and the Poor Rate 3/3.

The Town Rate should be collected more promptly the greater portion being lodged towards the close of the year. I have had to refer to this matter at former audits and it is essential that it will not again be necessary to do so.

In some instances verbal orders for goods etc are given by officers of the Council. This is quite irregular. The order check forms must in all cases be used otherwise it will be impossible for the Town Clerk to keep an accurate record of these liabilities.

The new corporate rental adopted by the Town Clerk is most

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suitable and I found the accounts generally which were in his charge accurately and neatly prepared.

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant,
J. A. Baker.

A copy of the abstract of Accounts was also received.

Ordered

That the Town Rate Collector be furnished with a copy of the observations of the Auditor respecting the collection of the Rate, and that he be directed to collect same promptly.

That traders who are in the habit of supplying goods be informed that the Council will not, in future, be responsible for any goods supplied, or work done, for their account except upon an official order, on the prescribed Form, signed by the Clerk, and that in all cases goods supplied, or work done, must be accompanied by an Invoice.

Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met this day and recommend the payment of the undermentioned accounts (see list at commencement of minutes)
The cheque for Co Council to be held over until 28th August 1906.

Signed

John S. Hearn
David Murphy

8th August 1906.

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That the report of the Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made".

Passed Unanimously

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Technical Instruction Committee,
New Ross, 8th August 1906.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by my committee to inform your council that they have under consideration the building of a new Technical School. My committee have no power to move in this matter beyond the initiatory stage without the sanction and co-operation of your council, and granted your council approved of the project it would then be for them to negotiate the necessary loan. The building would be theirs, as also the responsibility, but in regard to the cost the council will note lower down the offer made by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction.

Perhaps it is well that I place all the facts before your council.

From the inception of the Technical Instruction Act in this Urban District, as operated from year to year by the committee appointed by your council, the instruction has been given in scholastic premises other than the property of the council, namely, buildings belonging to the Christian Brothers and the convent of Mercy. The Technical school situated in the grounds of the latter has been rented and utilised by my committee for teaching Domestic Economy, commercial and Art subjects. Manual Instruction is taught in the Workshop of the Christian Brothers Schools, and the committee's evening class has the free use of this Workshop in consideration of the grants already made to the Christian Brothers by the committee and of the free services of the Manual Instructor for Day Secondary School classes.

In the early part of the Session just concluded the Department insisted on certain alterations being made in the rented Technical school, but the owners declined to allow these alterations. The committee were then advised to cast round for other premises wherein to hold the classes conducted there.

At a meeting of my committee on the 12th March last, and after a long deliberation of the question of building and a consideration of existing premises, a resolution was adopted proposing to lease when ready, from the Very Rev Canon Kavanagh P.P. New Ross, at a sum of £15 per annum, the two rooms in the front portion of the new Town Hall, for the use of the classes named as being held in the Mercy convent building.

Next, on the 29th May the Departments Inspector inspected the

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Town Hall rooms and made certain recommendations as to alterations and requirements involving an expenditure, according to Mr Cullen, builder, of about £60. And having made his recommendations the Inspector gave his opinion

"that the Department will not sanction these premises as "permanent, but that, all things considered, he considers them "more suitable than the rooms held at present".

I then communicated the recommendations and view of the Department's Inspector to Canon Kavanagh, who, under date 5th June, 1906, wrote that he would be prepared to set to the Committee the said premises on either of the following conditions:

1. "Your Committee may have the two rooms, as they stand at "present, as a yearly tenancy, for the rent of £15 per annum, "the Committee itself making the alterations and improvements "as required by the Department's Inspector";
2. "Or, I shall make the changes and improvements mentioned "in your communication of the 30th May last, if the Committee "take a lease of the rooms for the period of 31 years and pay me "and my successors the yearly rent of £17 stg".

Canon Kavanagh, at the close of his communication wished the Committee to understand that he had no desire to press the rooms on their acceptance. After a discussion of these offers by my Committee at their June meeting they directed me to write to the Department asking to be advised, as soon as possible, as to the action they ought to take in the circumstances, and as to which of the offers the Department would be likely to favour.

At the July meeting of my Committee the Department's Inspector attended and said that the Department regarded the proposal to lease the premises referred to as out of the question, as these premises could not be sanctioned as permanent. Then, with regard to the alternative offer to rent the premises yearly, temporarily, the Department considered that it would be unfair to Canon Kavanagh if the Committee took over the premises temporarily, ~~the~~ hacked them up to suit their requirements, and surrendered them again in, perhaps, a very short time. He saw no way out of the difficulty but to continue in their present premises until new premises were built. And as regards a new building he strongly fancied the site at the rear of the Royal Hotel. The Inspector further

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remarked that this site was adjacent to the Christian Brothers premises where the Manual classes were carried on, and that the building of a Technical School there would have the advantage of unifying the committee's work and unifying the educational buildings of the town. Ultimately, Mr Mc. Caffery (the Inspector referred to) intimated that the Department were prepared to contribute £50 a year extra, to the committee for the building of a Technical School, and, after he had been closely questioned by the Chairman of your Council, as to the position the Council would be in if they undertook the loan, the committee agreed to the following resolution :—

"That the Department be asked to amend the draft scheme sub-
"mitted for approval by inserting in the estimated expenditure a
"sum of £50 for rents, insurance, and repayment of the building
"fund, it being the intention of the committee to proceed immediately
"to make arrangements for the erection of a Technical School suited
"to the needs of the town. The committee request the Department
"to continue the special grant of £50, made last year, to enable
"them to meet the expenses entailed in building the proposed
"Technical School".

The Scheme referred to in the above resolution is the committee's Scheme for the coming Session, and at the August meeting of my committee held on last Monday evening the Department's approval of the scheme was submitted. In the course of their covering letter the Department wrote :—

"It will be observed that in addition to their ordinary annual grant
of £200, the Department are prepared to make a special grant of
£50 during next Session for rent and insurance, and the repay-
ment of the loan, for the new school building which it is proposed
to erect in the Urban District. It should be understood however
that this grant will not be available until expenditure has actually
been incurred in providing, with the approval of the Department,
improved accommodation for the classes under the committee".

The purpose of this long communication is to ask your Council, if they deem well of doing so, to give effect to the building proposal of the committee as sanctioned by the Department. I should add, however, that my committee at their last meeting did not feel quite so sure that this is the best course to be taken, and that the Town Hall rooms are not permanently suitable.

Yours faithfully,
Edward Long.
Secretary.

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Ordered That the consideration of this letter be adjourned to next meeting, the members of the Council to be summoned to consider it.

The proposal of Michael Kavanagh of John St, for the tenancy of a house in William St, at the weekly rent of 2/6 was accepted, Mr James B. Hearn being offered by him as Surety.

Camblin.

New Ross, 4th August 1906.

Dear Sir,

Replying to yours of the 1st Inst, I could not possibly supply you with broken stones at any price.

Yours etc,

John Whitty.

No order made

Burneen Lane.

New Ross, August 6th 1906.

Gentlemen,

I beg to propose to keep 46 houses clean from soot for twelve months for the sum of £3 . 0 . 0.

Yours truly,

Thomas Martin,

Chimney Sweeper.

New Ross,

August 6th 1906.

Gentlemen,

I beg to propose to keep 9 houses clean, free from soot, for twelve months for £1 . 0 . 0.

Thomas Martin,

Ordered That the proposals be accepted if Martin is satisfied to clean the nine houses at the same rate as the forty-six.

The Clerk stated that there was no report received from the Surveyor.

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The notice of motion, respecting the erection of a lamp at Rosbercon, handed in at last meeting by Mr Phelan, was considered and adjourned to next meeting, the clerk to ascertain the cost of erecting same in the meantime.

It was also ordered that the members be summoned to consider, at next meeting, the advisability of erecting a lamp at Wexford St.

The clerk applied for a fortnight's leave of absence and on the motion of Mr Peter Murphy, seconded by Mr Williams it was granted, same to be taken at intervals, and John Brennan was appointed clerk during his absence.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 22nd August 1906.

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Friday 17th August 1906

A Special meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to consider the question of the public lighting of the town, for the ensuing year, and also a proposal of the Gas Co for same.

Present Messrs Joseph Roche Presiding
Peter Murphy
John Hand
John Hanning
John and Meehan

The Clerk reported that the Chairman called to the office and stated he could not attend the meeting, and suggested that the final report on or consideration of the matter for which the meeting was called, be adjourned to a special meeting to be held, say at 7 P.M. on the 22nd Inst. He was to make inquiries in reference as to the lighting of other towns and hoped to have some definite information by that date.

After some discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Hanning and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That the tender of the Gas Company be accepted"

Mr Peter Murphy proposed that the consideration of the matter be deferred to a special meeting to be held on Wednesday next, as the meeting had no information before them at present.

At this stage a heated discussion took place between the Chairman and Mr Hanning, when the former declared the meeting adjourned to Wednesday next, and left the Chair, and Council Chambers. Mr Murphy also left, whilst Messrs Hanning, Meehan and Hand remained for sometime.

John Stevens

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Wednesday 22nd August 1906

a meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider the advisability of erecting a public lamp at Wexford St, and one at Rosbercon, to appoint delegates to a convention of the Town Tenants League to be held in Dublin on 30th Inst, and consider Notice of Motion by Mr Roche Viz:- "That the resolution passed at meeting of this Council on June 27th, relative to Mr Byrne's illness be rescinded, and that the Surveyor be called on to resign his position as Borough Surveyor in consequence of him failing to attend the orders of this Council," also to consider a letter from the Technical Instruction Committee relative to a proposal to build a new Technical School, and take such action thereon as may be deemed advisable, including the negotiating of the necessary loan, and the question of the public lighting of the town, for the ensuing year, together with a proposal of the Gas Co for same.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Samuel Hill
Joseph Roche
Wm Ly. Williams
Patrick Dunphy
John Hand
James Phelan
and
David Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Samuel Hill and David Murphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 90 M. J. Kinn (Petty Cash) New Ross £14 - 13 - 5

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

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New Ross Union,
22nd August 1906.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your inquiry re broken stones, I beg to offer you 20 tons or thereabout (Ballymacar quarry) at 4/3 per ton at the workhouse.

Your Obt. Servant,
A. Meaney.
Hon the Guardians.

Proposed by Mr Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That the offer of the Board of Guardians to supply twenty tons of stones at 4/3 per ton, be accepted on condition that the stones be permitted to remain at workhouse until required by the council."

Passed Unanimously

Rosbercon,
New Ross. August 22nd 1906.

Gentlemen,

As I am informed there is manure for sale the property of the council, you would do me a great favour, by selling some of it at present.

I offer for three heaps in Priory Lane, £1, and for the heap next to the gate in the yard on the Quay 10/-, and for the two heaps next to that 15/=. I mean the three heaps next the gate. An answer will oblige at your earliest convenience, as I have heard of other heaps of manure for sale, and I want to look after them.

Yours respectfully,
Mary Lalor.

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy

"That Mrs Lalor's proposal for six heaps of manure at £2 . 5 . 0 be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

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Wexford County Council,
Courthouse, 8th August 1906.

Dear Mr Flynn,

In connection with the bye-laws for New Ross Bridge, the following resolution was adopted at the Meeting of my Council yesterday, arising out of a letter forwarded by Messrs Colfer & Lethin, Solicitors, to the New Ross Urban Council.

"That this matter be referred to Mr J. J. Blaney:- Council's fee not to exceed £2-2-0, and that this Council agree to bear the cost of preparing the bye-laws".

Yours faithfully,
N. J. Grizelle,
County Secretary.

M. J. Flynn Esq.

No order made

7228-06

Office of Public Works,
Dublin, 16th August 1906.

Sir,

Adverting to their letter of the 21st May last, relative to the footpath in front of the New Ross Post office, I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works to inform you that the contractor states that, when he took over the site to commence building operations, the paths had been completely broken up by the carting of old materials which the landlord had removed before handing over the site to the Post office Department. The Board have been informed also that the Town Surveyor was present when the building was being laid out and the hoarding, etc, erected by the contractor, and that no question was then raised as to the flagging.

In order to facilitate settlement of the dispute, however, the contractor has consented to pay the sum of £1-0-0, for the old materials which it is alleged were removed by him, and the Board would be glad to hear that the case can be closed on this basis.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
H. Williams,
Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That the offer of the contractor to pay £1

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in settlement of this matter be accepted."

Passed Unanimously

St John's, Enniscorthy,
15th August 1906.

Gentlemen,

I am thankful for your note re the supply of broken stones, I am sorry I am not in a position to supply you as I have more orders in for road macadam than I can at present supply, but should you not want delivery for a couple of months I will send you a quotation, I could not supply sooner. You will much oblige by letting me know when you would want delivery and I will send you a quotation.

Thanking you in anticipation

faithfully yours,
E. Kavanagh.

Ordered

That Mr Kavanagh be asked to quote price per ton for one or two hundred tons of broken stones, on rail at Enniscorthy, or delivered at New Ross, to be supplied about 1st October.

H/910

D. W. & W. Railway Co,
Westland Row, 10th August 1906.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 9th Inst and previous correspondence respecting the accommodation for loading stock at New Ross Station, I beg to say that the Company cannot agree to the provision of a Loading Platform on the South side of the Level Crossing, as the cost involved would be very considerable, and the working of the Bank would necessitate not only extra expenditure, but frequent and prolonged closing against the Public of the Level Crossing Gates at Rosbercon.

The facilities for loading stock at New Ross have been largely increased since the Waterford Extension was opened for traffic, and have so far proved sufficient to enable traffic arising upon Fair Days to be dealt with without difficulty or complaint from the senders.

M. J. Flinn Esq

Yours faithfully,
M. H. Keogh. } Secretary.

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Ordered That the clerk write to some of the buyers who attend the Newross fair and ascertain if they have any cause of complaint as to loading facilities at Newross Station.

An application for 15/6. Income Tax on rent of Weighbridge, was referred to the Finance Committee.

On the motion of Mr Williams there were no delegates appointed to attend the Town Tenants Convention.

Newross Urban District

22nd August 1906.

Gentlemen,

Herewith I enclose Estimates of the probable cost of laying sewer pipes in Priory St and extending the old sewer in Rosbercon to the extent of 30 feet. I also enclose report on the wall of Miss Molloy's house, I regret the reports had not been in at the last fortnightly meeting and I may say it is not an unusual thing in Public Bodies, neither is it a great crime in a public official to be a little behind time with some of the duties they have to perform.

Yours Obediently,
Thomas Byrne.

No order made at this stage of the meeting.

The following is a copy of the report on Miss Molloy's house.

About a fortnight ago I made an inspection, as directed, of the wall complained of. I examined it from the outside, the inside, and the roof. I found the brick gables to be overhanging somewhat but in my opinion, not to the extent of 12 inches as stated in the complaint.

I have since then viewed it a couple of times from the outside and although the top of the two gables overhang more than I could wish still I should be rather slow in exercising my power as to dangerous buildings under the Towns Improvements Acts, as I believe the gables do not dangerously overhang.

However, if on a later examination from the roof I find the

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gables have separated more from the roof, I shall deem it my duty to serve the usual notice on tenant and landlord.

Yours obediently,
Thomas Byrne.

Ordered

That a copy of the report be forwarded to the Surveyor General Post office, and that the Town Surveyor be informed the Council await his further report, on the matter, after the later examination referred to by him.

The Clerk reported that Thos. Martin had agreed to accept the Councils terms, as agreed to at last meeting, for the cleansing of the chimneys of other property houses of Council.

No order made

The consideration of Mr Phelan's Notice of Motion for the erection of a lamp at Rosbercon, adjourned from last meeting, was taken up.

The Clerk stated that the Manager of the Gas Works informed him that the cost of erecting a lamp, nearly opposite Fr White's gate at Rosbercon, would be £6-10-0.

Proposed by Mr Phelan and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That a lamp be erected nearly opposite Fr White's gate at Rosbercon".

On a poll being taken there voted —

For — Messrs Phelan, Williams, Hill, Hand & Dunphy	5
Against — Mr Roche	1
Declined to vote Messrs D. Murphy & Chairman	
Majority in favour of resolution	4

which was declared carried

The Clerk also reported that the cost of erecting a lamp at Wexford St, on corner of house occupied by Mr Cody would be £1-0-0.

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That a lamp be erected at Wexford St on

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corner of house occupied by Mr body".

Passed Unanimously

Ordered That the Clerk obtain the necessary permission from owner and occupier of house.

The proposal of the Gas Co for the public lighting of the town, as entered on the Minutes of the 8th August, was next considered and after some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That the tender of the Gas Co for the public lighting of the town, except that portion relating to the extra charge of 7/= per lamp for incandescent lighting, be accepted and that a committee be appointed to meet the Directors and endeavour to get this charge remitted, and that they be empowered to deal finally with the quotation of the incandescent lighting".

Passed Unanimously

The following were appointed to act on the committee Viz:- Messrs Hill, Roche, Peter Murphy and the Chairman.

The Street Inspector reported that on each day, since last meeting, he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean. The Newcastle Co had boxes outside their premises on two days but they were taken in on the 21st. Some brushes of a light pattern are required for street cleansing.

Ordered That tenders be invited for the supply of one dozen of brushes.

The consideration of the letter received from the Technical Instruction Committee and entered on the minutes of last meeting, was adjourned for the present, in order that a large attendance of the members may be available after the termination of the holiday season.

The consideration of Mr Roches Notice of Motion relative to the Town Surveyor was next taken up and it was ——

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Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That the resolution of the council, passed at meeting of 24th June, relative to Mr Byrne's illness be rescinded.

On the resolution been put to the meeting there voted

For – Messrs Roche, Phelan, Hand, Williams, and Chairman 5

Against – Messrs D. Murphy & Hill 2

Mr Dunphy had left the meeting

Majority in favour of resolution which was declared "Passed" 3

Mr Roche then proposed "that the Surveyor be asked to send in his resignation in consequence of him failing to attend to the orders of the council.

"Mr Hill proposed that he be allowed two weeks to return to his duties".

After considerable discussion, it was agreed that Mr Roche's proposition be withdrawn and that the Surveyor be allowed two weeks, as suggested by Mr Hill, on the understanding that a stronger resolution of Mr Roche's would be supported at the termination of that period if the Surveyor had not then returned to his duties.

The Street Committee reported verbally that they inspected the channel on the Quay opposite the Gas Company's premises, but would not make any recommendation until the Surveyor will inspect it with them.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 5th September 1906.

James J. Ahern

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Friday 24th August 1906

A meeting of the Committee appointed to wait on the Gas Co relative to the remission of the extra charge of 7/- per lamp for the lighting of the incandescent lamps, was held in the office of the Council at 11.30 oclock.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
and
Joseph Roche

The Committee proceeded to the office of the Council to interview the Directors, and during the course of the interview Mr Hill joined the deputation.

The Directors present were Messrs John Doyle, John Jeffares, and John A. Brown, they stated that they intended to remit the extra charge next year but could not consent to its remission for the ensuing one. The members of the deputation urged on the Directors the desirability of remitting it at once and pointed out that the annual amount paid for the past two years ought to be sufficient to recoup the Company for the expenditure incurred in the erection of the lamps.

The Directors however would not agree to its immediate remmission, and the deputation withdrew, having promised to communicate with the Company as soon as they could consider the matter in conjunction with the absent member of the Committee, Mr Peter Murphy.

The Committee adjourned

James J. Morrissey

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Tuesday
Wednesday 28th August 1906

A meeting of the committee appointed to interview the Gas Co was held in the office of the Council this day at 5.30 o'clock P.M. to consider whether they should accept the proposal of the Co for the incandescent lighting of some of the public lamps.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
Joseph Roche
Peter and Murphy

A lengthened discussion took place respecting the decision of the directors, as expressed at the recent interview, not to allow the extra charge of 4/= per lamp on the contract for current year, which resulted in the following Order Viz:—

That the Gas Company be informed the committee have agreed not to pay the extra charge for the Incandescent lighting this year, and that the extra cost of same amounting to about £10, must cease from date of present contract.

The committee adjourned

James J. O'Gorman

Monday 3rd September 1906

Monthly meeting day.

No attendance of members.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 5th September 1906

James J. O'Gorman

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Wednesday 5th September 1906

An adjourned fortnightly and monthly meeting was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider a letter received from the Gas Co relative to the Incandescent lighting of the town.

Present Messrs James J. Glynnan Presiding
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
David Murphy
Wm Ly. Williams
James Phelan
John Hand
Patrick and Dunphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Patrick Dunphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 91 M. J. Flynn (Petty Cash) NewRoss £14 - 4 - 3

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

NewRoss Gas Co Ltd.
August, 30th 1906.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 29th Inst, I note your Committee have decided not to pay the small extra charge on the Incandescent lamps for this year only. These lamps therefore will be dis-continued.

I am at a loss to understand this portion of your communication "and also that £10 a year must cease from date of present Contract".

Kindly let me know what this refers to.

Yours truly,
David Hunt.
Sec.

M. J. Flynn
Clerk of Council

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The Clerk stated that this letter was awaiting him on his return from vacation on Saturday morning, and having learned that the ordinary burners were being put on the winter lamps, and the incandescent ones were being removed he asked the Manager of the Gas Co not to make any alteration in the lighting until after this meeting as he thought it well that an opportunity should be given to reply to the letter. Notwithstanding that the Committee had full power to deal with the matter.

after considerable discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That we approve of the decision arrived at by the Committee appointed to confer with the Gas Co, in reference to the incandescent lighting of some of the public lamps".

Passed Unanimously

New Ross,
September 5th 1906.

Dear Sir,

You are no doubt aware, there was formerly a Public Gas light over the entrance gate of our old Church, and that this light was dis-continued after the opening of our New Church, four years ago.

The Town Hall (formerly old Church) is now nearly ready for use, and when there are Concerts or Lectures or any Public Entertainments there, it will be necessary for the safety and convenience of the Public to have the Gas lighted there again.

I have made inquiries as to the cost, and find, the Gas Company will provide the Gas light there, every night the Hall may be used by the Public, for the sum of 10/- per year.

If the Urban Council be good enough to be responsible for this lamp on the above terms, it would be a great convenience to me and the people generally. This lamp is supplied from the main Gas pipe in the St, and I have no means of controlling it, there is no connection between the lamp over the entrance gate and the Gas pipes in the Hall.

I hope you will bring this matter before the next meeting of your Council and kindly let me know the result.

Yours Sincerely,
Michael Kavanagh P.P.

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Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy

"That the Gas Co be directed to light the lamp on the entrance gate of the new Town Hall every night the Hall will be used by the public at a cost of 10/= per annum".

Passed Unanimously

A letter was received from Maurice Cody consenting to the affixing of a bracket lamp on wall of his house.

No order made

A proposal of 8/6 for heap of manure by the wall in yard on Quay, received from Mr John Redmond Verosland, was unanimously accepted.

New Ross Gas Co.
5th September 1906.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your inquiry re new lamp for Rosbercon, as this lamp will be a good distance from our main pipe. I had to order some piping, and when this comes in the course of a few days I will lose no time in having the lamp erected.

I am also expecting the column for it from Waterford in a day or two.

Yours faithfully,
H. Kirkham.

P. S.

I would be glad if you could point out the place when you require the lamp erected.

H. K.

Ordered

That the Gas Manager be informed Mr Phelan will point out to him the exact position where the lamp is to be erected.

Secretary's Office, Courthouse,
Clonmel, 29th August, 1906.

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly let me know, for the information of the County Council the amount charged your Council for the past three years in respect

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of the expenses of the audit of the Accounts, and the carrying out of the Weights and Measures Acts, and oblige.

Yours truly,
M. O'Donnell.
Secretary.

Ordered

That the Clerk supply the required information.

54 Victoria St.
Westminster S.W.
20th August 1906.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you of the appointment of this Commission to enquire into the canals and inland navigations of the United Kingdom and I have pleasure in enclosing you a copy of the "terms of reference" of the Commission.

The Commission proceeds to Ireland on the 1st of October to take evidence concerning the canals and inland navigations in that country and as the main subject of the enquiry is the benefit, if any, which the country might derive from the development of canals and waterways, I am directed to enquire whether your Town Council desire to give evidence on any of the points raised in the enquiry or whether they desire to make any written communication to the Commission.

If your Council desire to nominate a witness I should be glad to be informed of the name of the gentleman and to have two copies of the proof of the evidence which he proposes to give early in September. In addition to the "terms of reference" I have pleasure in enclosing you some questions which have been prepared for the guidance of witnesses.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
W. B. Duffield.

A Circular Letter accompanied the foregoing giving the names of the members of the Commission, the suggested heads of evidence, and scope of Inquiry.

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Ordered

That the members be summoned to attend next meeting to consider advisability of appointing some persons to give evidence, and also suggest evidence to be submitted.

St Johns Enniscorthy,
28/8/1906.

Dear Sir,

I received your inquiry of the 24th Inst for which I am obliged in reference to the stones. I could supply you with any quantity of broken stones you require @ 2/6 per ton, in quarry and 3/9 per ton on rail at Enniscorthy Station. I would not care to make inquiries from the Railway bo as to the cost of same delivered in Ross as they are at present arranging for a special price for a siding into my quarry.

Yours faithfully,
E. Kavanagh.

Mr M. J. Flinn

No order made

Proposals, accompanied by samples, for the supply of one dozen of brushes were received from Messrs Patrick Hunt and Matthew Hutchinson also from Mrs Hennessy South St. The samples were examined after which it was Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and Seconded by Mr Dunphy

"That one dozen of brushes be ordered from Mrs Hennessy same as sample at 17/= per doz".

Passed Unanimously

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 12th September 1906

James J. Norman

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Wednesday 12th September 1906

A meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider advisability of appointing some persons to give evidence, and also suggest evidence to be submitted to the Commission on Canals and Waterways.

Present Messrs James J. Glorman Presiding
Peter Murphy
Wm Ly. Williams
Samuel Hill
John Hand
James and Phelan

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Wm Ly. Williams, and Samuel Hill and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 92	Newross Gas Co	Newross	£ 15 . 7 . 6
" 93	Philip Hartley	"	17 . 0
" 94	John J. Browne	"	9 . 9 . 11
" 95	Michael Hunt	Dunganstown,	Newross	19 . 10
" 96	Stephen Carroll	Raheen,	"	17 . 0
" 97	M. J. Flinn		"	25 . 0 . 0
" 98	same		"	7 . 15 . 8
" 99	Matthew Hutchinson		"	7 . 6 . 4
" 100	John Tobin		"	3 . 2 . 6
" 101	Walter Cleere		"	2 . 8 . 0
" 102	Thomas Byrne		"	8 . 13 . 4

Grand Island, Nebraska, September 1st 1906.

Hon Mayor of Newross,

Dear Sir,

I am endeavoring to identify a certain man who, a few years ago, in answer to the question, "Where were you born" said, "at Weland". This man has since died, and in attempting to identify him, his sister, provided

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he is the same man, informs me that he was born in New Ross, Wexford bounty, Ireland. You will observe that his answer does not give the nation, country or location or any other particulars in reference to the place of his birth, except the two simply words, "At Weland".

The man was evidently very ignorant. He signed his name in a wretched hand and apparently this was about the only thing he could write.

I had thought that "Weland", may designate a particular locality or suburb or location or some other point in, or about, or near New Ross; and that instead of giving the name, New Ross, he simply gave the local or provincial name of "Weland".

Now what I wish to learn from you is, whether or not there is some place in or near New Ross, or in Wexford bounty, known or designated or sometimes called, "Weland". I have had a talk with a very intelligent Irishman who was born in the North of Ireland, but is quite familiar with Wexford bounty, and he informs me that he thinks there is a suburb or locality in New Ross, which goes by the name at least sometimes, of "Weland".

It is very important that I be able to identify "Weland" as a part or a location in or near New Ross, and I will thank you very heartily for all the information you can give me in this respect, and you will at the same time, confer a favour upon one of your former country women.

Enclosed you will find my card, also an envelope addressed to myself, and 10 cents in silver with which to pay postage.

Yours truly,
James H. Wolley.

Die E. W.

Ordered

That the clerk inform Mr Woolley that, as far as the members of the council are aware, there is no place, in or near New Ross, called by the name of "Weland" nor have they ever heard of any place called by that name, but if he gives the name of the man himself, they may be able to throw some light on his identity.

New Ross, Gas Co Ltd,
September 12th 1906.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 6th inst, I am directed to say that we will have the lamp over entrance to New Town Hall, lighted at your request.

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I have noted your letter of same date with reference to the Incandescent lighting.

Yours truly,
David Hunt.
Secretary.

M. J. Flinn Esq

No order made

The Clerk reported that Mr Keeffe, had no objection to the erection of the lamp on the corner of house at Wexford St, occupied by Maurice Cody, of which he is owner.

Offices,
New Ross, 12th September 1906.

Dear Sir,

As requested, we enclose you particulars of our costs to 31st March last, (not including anything in connection with the Water Scheme).

The total amount is £18-5-7.

We also enclose you cheque for £2-14-6, being the amount of costs awarded to the Council in proceedings at Petty Sessions, and paid over by the several Defendants, as per particulars on next page.

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Lyethin.

M. J. Flinn Esq.

The Bill of costs referred to amounting to £18-5-7 was received, as was also, a cheque for £2-14-6.

Ordered

That the cheque be lodged to the credit of the Council, and the Bill of costs be referred to the Finance Committee, the Local Government Board to be asked in the meantime, to consent to payment of it without taxation.

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Secretary to the County Council,
Court House, Wicklow.
8th September, 1906.

Sir,

I am directed by the County Council for the County of Wicklow to forward the enclosed resolution passed by that Council with regard to the recent Lunacy (Ireland) Bill which has been withdrawn.

I am Sir.
Your Obedient Servant,
Edward N. Wynne.

"Resolved —

This Council notes with satisfaction that the Government have withdrawn the Lunacy (Ireland) Bill. As the Provisions of this Bill were calculated to inflict a serious hardship upon the Local Ratepayers in Ireland by re-imposing upon them a burden, from which they were properly relieved by the Lunacy Act of 1901, for the maintenance of Patients who became insane while in the public service, and the cost of whose maintenance should, in Justice, be still borne by the Treasury from State Funds.

We therefore hope that no further attempt will be made by the Government to re-introduce this measure in the next, or any other succeeding Session of Parliament.

That copies of the above resolution be sent by the Secretary to the Prime Minister, the Chief Secretary, and the Secretary to the Treasury; and that copies be sent to the Secretary of each County, County Borough, and Urban District Council in Ireland, requesting him to submit it to his Council for adoption".

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That the resolution be adopted."
Passed Unanimously

North Dublin Union,
31st August 1906.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Guardians to convey to you the following Resolution, passed at their meeting on the 22nd Inst, and to request

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that you will kindly place same before your Board, with a view to its being adopted by them Viz:-

Resolved:- "That this Board believes there is a large field among Irish public bodies and Institutions for the successful operations of an independent Insurance Company, worked on lines similar to the Irish Church Property Insurance Company, and undertakes, in the event of such a company being formed, to place all insurances with same. That we request the General Council of County Councils to at once summon a conference of representatives from County Councils, Corporations, Town Commissioners, Urban and Rural Councils, Asylums, etc., so that a genuine effort may be made to put this suggestion into force. That copies of this Resolution be sent to the various bodies mentioned, with the view of eliciting the opinion of the country on the project. The proposed conference to be at liberty to consider the question of the municipalisation of insurances".

Yours faithfully,
James P. Conny.
Assistant Clerk of the Union.

Ordered

That the resolution be adopted by this Council, and that the assistant clerk of the North Dublin Union be informed the Council may be able to arrange to be represented at the proposed Conference.

General Valuation and Boundary Survey
6 Ely Place, Dublin, 6th Sept 1906.

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioner of Valuation to notify, for the information of the Urban District Council of New Ross that he has appointed Mr W. J. Bastow of this Department to make the Annual Revision of the Valuation of that Urban District, and that it will be commenced about the 13th Inst.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
Alfd Herbett.
Chief Clerk.

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The Clerk stated that he had published the necessary notices.

A circular letter was received from the Local Government Board enclosing a Sealed order fixing the amount of Audit fee at £6-6-0 and asking to have a Paying Order for this amount remitted, but it was ordered to be referred to the Finance Committee.

Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee met on this date and recommended the following payments be made (see list at commencement of minutes).

James J. Glynman
Peter Murphy

Proposed by Mr Hill and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, and the payments recommended by them be made.

Passed Unanimously

Mr Peter Murphy suggested that the Railway Co be asked to stop the Mail train at Rathgeragne on Saturday evenings as it was a very great inconvenience to persons attending the NewRoss Market to have to remain in town until the 5.45, especially during the Winter months.

After some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That the D.W.&W.R. Railway Co be asked to stop the Mail train at Rathgeragne on Saturday evenings to set down passengers, so as to convenience persons having market business to transact in NewRoss, and who, under present train arrangements have to remain in the latter place until 5.45 P.M. which especially during the Winter which is now approaching, causes them serious inconvenience, and unpleasantness".

Passed Unanimously

It was also ordered that the Clerk prepare a requisition to the Railway Co, asking from this concession, and have it signed by as many of the Traders in

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town as possible and forwarded to the Company.

In reference to the appointment of some persons to suggest, or give evidence, to be submitted to the Commission on Canals and Waterways, the following Committee was appointed on the motion of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr Wm G. Williams, to consider what steps should be taken in the direction of procuring evidence on the matter, and having same submitted to the Commission Viz:- Messrs Hill, Roche, Dooley and the Chairman of the Council, the Clerk to arrange with the members when they shall meet.

The Clerk reported that according to a resolution of the Council passed on the 6th May 1901, the D. W & W'd Railway Co were required to put up a foot passenger bridge at the level crossing at Rosbercon, but he could not state whether they were bound under their Act of Parliament as he had not a copy of it.

Ordered

That a copy of the Act of 1901 be obtained.

The Clerk also reported that the next Quarterly meeting will be held on the 10th October, and notice of motion for new works should be served twenty one days before it.

No order made

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean on each day during the week. He had the ashes which the Gas Co be placed in the water table outside their premises removed. Messrs Heam & Son, and Matthew Hutchinson, had machinery on the street outside their premises on this date. He found a boy named Carroll rolling a truck on the footpath at Quay St.

Ordered

That the Council's Solicitors be instructed to take proceedings

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against persons who deposit machinery and other Articles, on the streets or footpaths, if same is not removed forthwith.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 26th September 1906.

John L Sears

Monday 24th September 1906

A meeting of the committee appointed to consider what steps should be taken in the direction of procuring evidence to be submitted to the commission on canals and waterways was held in the office of the council at 5 oclock P.M.

Present Messrs James G. Dooley and Samuel Hill

The committee having considered the circular letter received from the Secretary to the commission, as well as the points upon which evidence was required, decided to recommend the council not to submit a witness, but to adopt a resolution declaring that in their opinion, the opening of a canal from Kilkenny to Iroquois via Thomastown would be a benefit to the District through which it would pass and to the country in general, and they consider the cost of construction of same should be borne by the Government.

They are also of opinion that the opening up of canals throughout the country would materially benefit it, as it would tend to increase the means of transit of goods, at a cheaper rate than by Rail.

The committee adjourned

John L Sears

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Wednesday 26th September 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Samuel Hill
John Hand
Peter Murphy
Wm. G. Williams
John Meehan
Joseph and Roche

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

A Paying order for £36 - 5 - 1 being amount of Probate Duty, was received from the Chief Secretary's office and ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Wm. G. Williams and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 103 M. J. Flinn New Ross £17 - 16 - 0

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee appointed to consider advisability of tendering evidence to the Commission on Canals and Waterways which are entered on previous page was considered and approved of and a resolution embodying the views and recommendation of the Committee was ordered to be forwarded to the Secretary to the Commission.

A proposal of 10/= was received from James Roche Ballyanne, for heap of manure on Greywell road, and 6/= from James Shea Millbanks, for same heap, and the former proposal was accepted, as was also one of 16/= from Thomas Moran Rosbercon for two heaps in the yard on Quay.

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

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New Ross,
Monday Morning, 17/9/06.

Dear Sir,

My father desires me to inform you that owing to a very severe cold and sore throat he had to lie up and is keeping in bed since Thursday evening last. He is improved this morning and may be able to be out in a couple of days.

Yours faithfully,
E. George Byrne.

M. J. Flinn Esq

No order made

New Ross Gas Co Ltd.
New Ross, Sept 25th 1906.

Dear Sir,

As there appears to be some misunderstanding re the lighting of the town with Incandescent lamps. I will now try to make it clear to your Council the terms which were offered to your Committee.

In order to do this I will go back to the time it was decided by you to put up the Incandescent lamps, and must point out that it was then distinctly understood you were to pay the cost of putting up same, which cost was to be equally divided over five years. Some of the acting members of the Council will remember this, but the new members may not be aware of it.

You have paid the cost for two years, and in order to meet your Committee the Directors offered on payment of one year more to wipe off the remaining two years, and also agreed at the meeting to take half the extra charge of seven shillings this year, and remainder next year.

Yours faithfully,
David Hunt.
Secretary.

M. J. Flinn Esq

after some discussion the consideration of it was deferred to the Committee who previously dealt with the incandescent lighting and waited on the Gas Co.

The D. W. & W. Railway Co, wrote acknowledging receipt of resolution of Council, and requisition of traders, and others, asking to have the Mail

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train stopped at Rathgeragogue on Saturday evenings.

Bullaun,
Sept 26th 1906.

Gentlemen,

I wish to lay before you that James Flynn, had no cause to send me home out of the employment of the Council yesterday, he was sending me over to Rosbercon to work at a shore and I told him I would want another man with me. I asked him to come himself or any of the other men but he would not send any one with me. He told me to go home and he then went and employed another man, and he went with him himself.

I am sure gentlemen it is all spite and I hope they will be justice done, as it was the first time anyone brought any complaint against me.

I remain.

Gentlemen respectfully,
Valentine Whitty.

The Foreman was called before the meeting and he denied having ordered him home, but he directed him to go to Rosbercon and Whitty refused so that he left off work of his own accord.

It was agreed that Whitty be allowed to resume work on Thursday morning, and that he be cautioned severely against refusing to carry out the directions of the Foreman.

Mary St,
New Ross, Sept 26th 1906.

Gentlemen,

I shall be much obliged if you allow one of the horses a few days to rest; as he is lame and incapable for work for a while.

I remain,
Your Obedient Servant,
Thomas Hogan.

It was decided to require Mr Hogan to provide a horse at once as he is

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required to cart limestones and do other work.

No 53,983 : 1906
New Ross Urban Dist

Local Government Board,
Dublin, 21st September 1906.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 15th Inst, relative to the Bill of costs furnished to the New Ross Urban District Council by Messrs Colfer & Lyethin, Solicitors, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to request that you will be so good as to forward this bill for the Board's inspection.

By order of the Board,
L. S. Smith.

The Clerk reported that he had forwarded Messrs Colfer & Lyethin's Bill of Costs to the Board as requested, and this was approved of.

A copy of "The Open Spaces 1906 Act" was received from the Local Government Board.

The Commissioner of Valuation wrote acknowledging receipt of the Valuation lists sent for revision.

Street Inspector's ~~Sanitary Sub Officer's~~ Reports

The Sanitary Sub-officer reported that he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean on each day. The water table at Monk's Lane is badly in need of repair, in wet weather the lane is flooded right across causing great inconvenience to pupils and visitors to the schools.

Mr Hutchinson had a large empty barrel on the street outside his premises on 26th Inst.

Ordered

That the Foreman pave the water Table at Monk's Lane as soon as he possibly can.

The Clerk reported that the D. W. & W^d Railway Co were bound, according to their Act of Parliament, to erect a passenger foot bridge at

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the level crossing at Rosbercon if the Board of Trade considered same necessary.

Ordered

That the Board of Trade be written to and asked to request the Railway Co to erect a foot passenger bridge there as considerable inconvenience is caused to the public owing to the gates being shut across the road during shunting operations, and passage of trains.

It was agreed that the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to consider letter received from the Urban Technical Instruction Committee, relative to the building of a new Technical School.

The following resolution relative to the death of Captain Barrett Hamilton J.P. was
Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Meehan

"That we, the New Ross Urban District Council in meeting assembled tender to Major Barrett Hamilton J.P. and his immediate relatives and friends, our sincere sympathy and condolence on the death of his lamented father, Captain Barrett Hamilton J.P. whose genial manner, and kindly disposition, endeared him to all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance, and whose interest in the welfare of the people, amongst whom he lived, shall ever be cherished and remembered in grateful affection by them".

Passed Unanimously

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 3rd October 1906.

John S Hearn

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Wednesday 26th. September

A meeting of the bommittee appointed to deal with the Gas question, was held this evening immediately after the bouncil meeting

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
Joseph Roche.
Peter Murphy
and
Samuel Hill

The bommittee having considered the letter as entered on the minutes, decided not to take any action, or make any recommendation upon it, beyond directing the blerk to inform the Gas bo that in the original proposal for the incandescent lighting, which was accepted by the bouncil, there is no reference to any number of years during which the lighting was to be continued.

A short discussion took place respecting the candle power of the Gas consumed in the public lamps, and resulted in an order being made directing the blerk to ascertain the name and address of the expert who tests for the Wexford borporation with a view to obtaining his services.

The meeting adjourned

John S. Hearn

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Wednesday 10th October 1906

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Samuel Hill
Wm Ly. Williams
Joseph Roche
David Murphy
James and Phelan

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Joseph Roche and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No	104	John M. Walsh	Wexford	£1 .. 11 .. 6
..	105	Treasurer L.Gy. Board	Dublin	6 .. 6 .. 0
..	106	John J. Browne	NewRoss	4 .. 13 .. 0
..	107	Colfer & Lyethin	..	18 .. 5 .. 7
..	108	Wm H. Hearn	..	18 .. 0
..	109	M. J. Flinn	..	14 .. 12 .. 11
..	110	Thomas Byrne	..	5 .. 1 .. 8
..	111	St Stephens Cemetery Cte	..	5 .. 16 .. 4
..	112	Patrick Leacy	..	1 .. 7 .. 9
..	113	Wm Williams	..	9 .. 2
..	114	M. J. Flinn	..	1 .. 17 .. 4
..	115	same	..	6 .. 5 .. 0
..	116	Technical Instruction Cte	..	17 .. 2 .. 7
..	117	James Barron	..	12 .. 16 .. 1
..	118	Edward Broaders	..	1 .. 0 .. 0
..	119	Andrew Cullen	..	2 .. 12 .. 7

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D. W. & W.d Railway Co,
Dublin, 21th September 1906.

H/925.

Dear Sir,

With further reference to your letters of the 14th and 18th September, in which my Company is requested to stop the Mail Train at Rathgarogue on Saturday evenings, to set down passengers, I am desired to remind you that, as a result of the application of your Council last year, a stop was put upon the train in question at Palace East, and it was understood that this arrangement met with the approval of those concerned.

The train could not be timed to make an additional stop, without serious risk of unpunctuality at Stations beyond, and an earlier start from Waterford is impracticable.

Under these circumstances, my Directors much regret that they are not in a position to comply with the request of your Council and of the memorialists who have addressed them on the subject.

Yours faithfully,
M. H. Keogh.
Secretary.

M. J. Flinn Esq

No order made

Rosbercon,
New Ross, October 10th 1906.

Dear Sir,

I beg to call the attention of your Board to the position of lamp in course of erection at Rosbercon. It is most awkwardly placed at the entrance of L. L. S. house. In its present position it is an obstruction and source of danger. I would ask you to have it placed in a safer and more suitable position.

If not presumptions on my part, I would suggest it be placed on the other side of the road or above my gate in either position it would convenience the public better than where it is placed now.

I remain Sir,
Yours faithfully,
M. J. White.

Ordered

That the matter be referred to Messrs Phelan and the Chairman to have a suitable site selected and that they visit the

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place following day.

Irishtown,
10-10-1906.

Gentlemen,

I respectfully ask you to have the heap of scrapings which is lying during the past eight or nine months against my boundry at the cross roads Boheen-na-slaun, removed. It is an injury to the fence and the cause of much trespass to field.

Please have no more stuff dumped there.

Respectfully Yours,
Michael Rice.

The Clerk stated that he did not think this manure belonged to the Council and he was directed to request the owner to remove it.

Vice-Regal Commission on Irish Railways.
Dublin, 3rd October 1906

Sir,

I am directed by the Commission to transmit, for the information of the Urban District Council, copies of the heads of evidence to be given at the sittings to be held in Dublin on Friday, 12th October, and subsequent days, and to inquire if your Council wish to give evidence during the Inquiry. If so, I am to request that you will furnish, as early as possible, the names of the representatives of your Council, and an abstract of the evidence which they propose to give.

I am Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,
Geo E. Shanahan.
Secretary.

after considerable discussion it was agreed to adjourn the meeting, at the conclusion of the business, to Thursday 11th Inst, to consider advisability of appointing members of the Council to give evidence at the Inquiry.

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No 55,385 / 1906
New Ross Urban Dist

Local Government Board, Dublin,
4th October, 1906.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 22nd ultimo, relative to the bill of costs furnished to the New Ross Urban District Council by Messrs Colfer & Lethin, Solicitors, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to state that in view of the small amount £18 - 5 - 7, involved, they will raise no objection to taxation of costs being dispensed with in this case, provided that the Council will be prepared to satisfy the Auditor as to the reasonableness of the charges, in the event of any question being raised.

The bill which accompanied your letter is returned, herewith.

I am, Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
H. Courtenay.
Assistant Secretary.

It was ordered that Messrs Colfer & Lethin's bill of costs be paid at this meeting.

No 6/46/1906
Miscellaneous.

Local Government Board, Dublin,
8th October, 1906.

Sir,

With reference to previous correspondence on the subject of the collection of the Poor Rate in the Urban District of New Ross for the past half-year, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to request that you will be good enough to furnish them with a Return, as soon as practicable, showing the condition of this collection to the end of last month.

In case the collection was closed on that date, I am to request that you will affix a note in red ink to that effect on the face of the return.

I am, Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
A. R. Barlas.
Secretary.

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The Clerk stated that the Return would now be sent, as the outstanding rates had been cancelled.

Office of Public Works,
Dublin, 27th September 1906.

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Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works to refer to your letter of the 24th ultimo, and to forward herewith, as arranged, a draft for the sum of £1 in payment for the flagging removed by their Contractor from the front of the New-Ross Post Office.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Geo E. Shanahan.
asst. Secretary.

Ordered

That the £1 received, be lodged to the credit of the Council.

An acknowledgment was received from the Board of Trade, of the resolution of the Council respecting the erection of a foot-passenger bridge at the level crossing at Rosbercon.

Kilmarnock House,
30th Sept 1906.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favour 29th Sept containing a resolution of sympathy and condolence from your Board on the death of my dear father, Capt Samuel Barrett Hamilton.

On behalf of myself, of my mother, my sister and wife I now send you our united and most heartfelt thanks for your exceedingly kind remembrance of one who spent so much of his time in the service of his neighbours, working for their welfare fearlessly and without thought of reward.

His great consolation to all of us who remain behind to know that his work met with such warm-hearted appreciation and

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that his friendship will not fade easily from their memory.
I must add also our thanks to yourself for your most thoughtful expression of personal sympathy.

I am, Dear Sir,
Yours very truly,
G. Barrett Hamilton.

No order made

Royal Commission on Canals and Waterways,
Dublin, 6th October 1906.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter of the 2nd Inst. with the resolution passed by your Council. I shall have pleasure in placing your communication before the Commission.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
W. B. Duffield.

M. J. Flinn Esq

No order made

Irish Forestry Society,
12 College Green, Dublin,
25th September 1906.

This Society is making preparations to celebrate, and to urge the people of Ireland to celebrate, an annual Arbor, or tree Planting Day, and with this view has prepared a Circular, (a copy of which I enclose). The Society does not connect this movement with its its own aims and objects or with Forestry proper, except in so far as it is calculated to educate the public mind and to inculcate a love of trees generally. My Committee direct me to ask you if you will kindly bring the matter before your Council (or Committee) in order that they may if possible take up the matter. There is much waste land which can be acquired in most districts, and which could be planted from time to time in order to celebrate National and Local events, or for other reasons. If you would also kindly undertake to distribute these circulars to persons likely to be interested, please let me know what number you would require, and I shall have pleasure in sending you same.

Yours faithfully,
A. H. Walkey,
Sec.

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a copy of the Circular was received, but there was No order made.

Some copies of a description pamplet of the Irish International Exhibition were received from the Secretary, and the Clerk was directed to apply for some more.

A Circular letter was received from the Irish Forestry Society, asking to have an Annual Arbor, or tree Planting Day observed in Ireland, and soliciting the co-operation of the Council, but there was no order made upon it.

a proposal of 24/= was received from Mr James Shea Millbanks, for two heaps of manure, but there were no heaps in stock at present, and the Clerk was directed to inform him that he could have two that are being made if he wish to accept them, at the price.

Report of Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on this date and * recommend payment of the above mentioned accounts (see list at commencement of minutes).

Signed

John S. Hearn
Peter Murphy.

October 10th 1906.

The Abstract of uncollected Poor Rate was submitted with the Report of the Finance Committee, and it was

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, the payments recommended by them be made, and the outstanding Poor Rate items as per Abstract be cancelled".

Passed Unanimously

The consideration of the letter received from the Technical Committee relative to the building of a new Technical Hall was adjourned again.

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Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that the streets of the town were not kept as clean as usual and mud allowed to remain in heaps on them.

The trap at Simmins corner is not sufficient to carry off the head water, the street is very much torn up, and should be seen to at once.

Thomas Dunphy had an empty barrel on street outside his premises for three days.

The Surveyor who was present stated that if the trap was kept cleaned it would carry off the water, and it was ordered that the attention of the Foreman be directed to it.

It was mentioned that two of the men were engaged at Sewerage for some days and were not available by the Foreman for cleansing purposes.

Respecting the penalty which in future should be inflicted upon officers who absent themselves from duty without leave of the Council, a lengthened discussion took place which resulted in an order being made directing the Solicitor to advise the Council as to whether they have power to suspend the Surveyor whenever he goes wrong, or absents himself from duty without payment of salary during the period of suspension.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 24th October 1906.

John S Hearn

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Wednesday 10th October 1906

a Quarterly meeting of the Council was held this day at 1 o'clock P.M. to transact business of the Council pursuant to the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and consider Quarterly Report of the Surveyor and transact Quarterly business.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Samuel Hill
Wm. G. Williams
Joseph Roche
David Murphy
James Phelan and

The minutes of the last Quarterly meeting were read and signed.

The Town Surveyor was also present

The following Quarterly Report of the Surveyor was read:-

I cannot report favourably on the present state of the streets and roads of the District, they show no improvement under the management of the committee having charge of the up keep, on the contrary the streets have gone back.

The Greywell road, Mary St, Robert St, and many others are much worn owing to last Winter's shortage of quantity. The leading streets through the lower part of the town are in pools of water when it rains owing to the numerous depressions in the surface. The cleaning of the outlying roads is not sufficiently attended to.

The quantity of limestone metalling at present provided is not one half what is needed. A considerable quantity of stones should be got from the Endowed School quarry for filling many of the back streets and putting a centre in that part of the Irishtown above the upper pump.

Portions of the Bosheen and Poor House roads wants additional filling before hard metalling should be used on them.

Thomas Byrne

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A lengthened discussion followed upon the reading of it, respecting the providing of additional material, owing to sufficient limestones not being obtainable, and it was decided to ask Messrs James Gannon Arnestown, and Thomas Elmes Rochestown, if they could supply stones from Ballynacar Quarry, and if so, at what price per ton. The Clerk was also directed to write to Mr Edward Kavanagh St Johns Enniscorthy and ascertain if he has yet got the siding from Railway Co. and at what price per ton he could supply broken stones on Rail at Enniscorthy, also to ascertain from Managers of Rathdrum and Arklow Quarries what their price is for same.

The Foreman was called before the meeting and his attention drawn to the Report of the Surveyor respecting the condition of the streets. He complained that he had an insufficient staff of men and horses to cope with the work, and the Clerk was directed to employ two men and an additional horse on following day so that proper attention might be paid to the streets.

It was decided not to get any metalling from John St quarry. On the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, seconded by Mr Williams, the report was adopted and

The meeting adjourned

John L Hearn

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Thursday 11th October 1906

An adjourned meeting of the Council was held this evening, at 7.30 oclock P.M. to consider advisability of appointing members of the Council to give evidence before the Vice-Regal Commission on Irish Railways.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P Chairman
Samuel Hill
Peter Murphy
and
Wm Ly. Williams

The meeting decided before proceeding further, to ascertain from the Secretary, whether the Commission would hear evidence on matters of a more or less local nature such as the following, and if so they could decide whether it would not be advisable, or possible, to have some members of the Council examined upon them Viz:-

(1) The necessity which exists for through rates between New Ross ~~and Waterford~~, and ~~from Waterford to~~ Campile, Ballycullane and Stations on the Rosslare Line, Via Waterford.

(2) For through booking between New Ross and London, Via Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford Railway to Waterford thence by Great Southern to Fishguard.

(3) Proper connections between trains of different companies, for instance between Great Southern and Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford at Palace East, and at Waterford for the South of Ireland.

(4) The necessity for a later train from Waterford to New Ross than 5.15 P.M. on week days.

(5) For a revision of passenger fares, which my Council consider excessive.

The meeting adjourned pending the receipt of a reply.

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Tuesday 16th October 1906

an adjourned meeting of the Council was held this day to consider a letter received from the Secretary of the Vice-Regal Commission on Irish Railways.

Present Messrs Samuel Hill Presiding
John Hand
Peter Murphy
Wm G. and Williams

The following was read :—

Vice-Regal Commission
on Irish Railways,
Dublin, 13th October 1906.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 11th Inst, I am directed to inform you that the matters referred to by you, in connection with which your Council desire to give evidence, are within the scope of the Inquiry as indicated by the heads of evidence sent you.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
Geo. E. Shanahan.
Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That the following be appointed a Committee on behalf of the Council to give evidence respecting the matters referred to at the former meeting Viz:- Messrs W. G. Williams, J. B. Hearne, and the Chairman, the Committee to arrange the most convenient time to meet and consider the evidence to be submitted to the Commission".

Passed Unanimously.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 24th October 1906.

John S Hearne

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Wednesday 24th October 1906

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
David Murphy
John Hand
James B. Hearn
Wm. Ly. Williams
James J. Glynman
James and Phelan

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs James J. Glynman and Wm. Ly. Williams and the following Paying Order directed to be issued;-

No 120 M. J. Kinn NewRoss £ 20 · 0 · 4

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

The Patriotic Assurance Company.
Dublin, 12th October 1906.

re Bond No. 2846 - John J. Browne.

Dear Sir,

I beg to notify you that as the Company is now united with the Sun Fire Insurance office, which does not transact this class of business, the above policy will expire on 29th prox.

Yours faithfully,
John Antonian.
for Managing Director.

The Clerk stated that Mr Browne was taking the necessary steps to obtain the Bond of another guarantee Society, and it was ordered that he do so quickly as possible.

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St Johns, Enniscorthy,
15th October 1906.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your note re broken stone for which I am obliged, and wish to inform you that I have not the siding yet as I cannot get the Railway bo, to meet me with regard to the price for delivering the stone. I could put broken stone on rail here @ four shillings per ton.

Yours Obediently,
E. Kavanagh.

Rathdrum, Co Wicklow,
13th October 1906.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your favour this morning, I have pleasure in quoting at foot our prices for Macadam & Screenings &c d/d into wagons at our Quarry siding.

Yours faithfully,
Charles Wilson,
Secretary.

M. J. Kinn Esq

2"	Macadam	3/9 per ton
1" to 1½	Do	3/9 " "
¾"	Chippings	2/9 " "
3/8 to ½"	screenings	2/3 " "
	Fine Siftings	1/3 " "

P.S. Please say what kind or size you require in all broken stone.

Parnell Quarries, Ltd.
Arklow, October 13th 1906.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 12th, our lowest prices are as follows.
G.S.R. at Arklow.

2"	Macadam	4/3 per ton Nett
1 to 1½	Do	3/6 Do

Monthly Payments

Yours truly,
Parnell Quarries Ltd.
Geo W. Wood Sec.

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Ordered

That the Clerk ask the D. W. & W.d Railway Co to quote freight per ton, on about 100 tons of road metalling from Rathdrum, Arklow and Enniscorthy to Newross.

An application was received from Jerry Corbett for the tenancy of the scales on the Quay at 4d. per week, and it was ordered to be accepted.

Bullawn,
24/10/1906.

Dear Sir,

The kitchen grate in my house is entirely done, and will therefore require a new one, hoping you will give this appeal your best possible attention.

Yours faithfully,
Michael Curran.

Ordered,

That the Rent Collector report on the condition of the house, to next meeting of the Council.

The Gas Co wrote notifying that they intend opening the road in North St, outside Dwyer Bros. for the purpose of cleaning his supply pipe.

No order made

New Ross
17th October 1906.

Gentlemen,

We beg to draw your attention to the condition of the flags outside our premises. They are in a very bad state, and cause us much inconvenience and also a very great danger to people passing up and down. We have already noticed the Town Surveyor, Mr Byrne and he would not condescend to look after them. Your attention to same shall greatly oblige.

Yours faithfully,
Dwyer Bros.

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Ordered That Messrs Duryer Bros. be informed that as the flags were broken by their cars the Council must request them to have them re-set or repaired as soon as possible.

The Chairman also drew attention to a broken flag in footpath between Mr Freaney's and Duryer Bros., and it was ordered that the Surveyor be directed to have it re-set or repaired.

An application from James Connolly to erect scaffolding outside the house occupied by P. Oconnor Mary St. and the adjoining one, was granted.

An application was received from John Falconer 53 Upper Sackville St, Dublin, for 15/= being one years subscription to Local Government Supplement. A short discussion took place as to whether it was worth getting it and on the proposal of Mr Hand, seconded by Mr Williams, it was ordered to be got for the ensuing year.

Marine Works Act

at Public Meetings held to promote the passing into law of a Marine Works Bill for the South-East cost of Ireland, in Arklow, on 24th Sept 1906, and Courtown Harbour, on 26th September 1906, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted :—

Resolved — " That this meeting, representing the maritime, commercial, and industrial population of this portion of the East Coast, hereby calls upon the Government to promote a Marine Works Act in the next Session of Parliament, applicable to the South-Eastern Coast of Ireland. We view with alarm the steady decay and, in places, almost annihilation of our fishing industry owing to insufficient harbour accommodation and inadequate transit facilities. It is our conviction that were such an Act passed it would, in a great measure, serve to check the emigration of our fishing population, and assist in the revival and strengthening of the industries now crippled for lack of Government support, as accorded with such remarkable results by the Governments of other Countries on the Continent. We respectfully ask the leaders of the two Irish Parties to

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treat the introduction of the Bill as a noncontentious measure, so that its passing may be assured without delay. That copies of this resolution be sent to all the Cabinet Ministers, the Irish Members, and the several local authorities within the joint counties".

Resolved — "That in view of the serious state of our harbours, we call upon the Land owners, Public companies, County Councils, and Local Authorities in the Counties of Louth, Dublin, Wicklow, Wexford, and Waterford, to organise public meetings, pass strong resolutions supporting our Members of Parliament in their pressure upon the Government to have the Marine Works Act passed into law early in the coming Session, and that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Members of the Government and the public bodies referred to."

Sir Thomas H. Grattan Esmonde M.P.
Chairman of Executive Committee.
Francis W. Mac Phail Hon Sec.

Kindly have the above resolutions adopted at your next meeting oblige.

Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr Glynnan "That the foregoing resolutions be adopted."

Passed Unanimously

Ordered That Mr Mc. Phail be informed of their adoption.

A notification was received from the General Accident Assurance Co that the premium on E.L. Policy No 23521 fell due on 20th Inst, and after some discussion, as to the Council's liability for the men engaged at Quarrying in Dunganstown, it was ordered that the amount be paid.

That Company also notified the Council that the premium on Mr Barron's Bond will fall due on the 8th November, and it was ordered that Mr Barron's attention be directed to the matter.

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Town Surveyor's Report

There are three pipes with sluice flaps at the Block House that were ordered for drain mouths at Rosbercon, you will need to send an order for them and provide a mason to set them.

I have orders sent me to have channel gratings set in the Irishtown, Upper Abbey St, and Cross Lane, and of course the necessary catch pits and connecting drains to the main sewers, but no mention is made as to the ways and means for carrying out the work. I am of opinion these items with an estimate of the cost, should come before a Quarterly meeting according to the procedure laid down by the Local Government Board before they can be carried out.

I have noticed in many patches of street metalling the stones are very large and uneven, the large stones should be picked out, and all scattered ones collected.

The Chairman (Mr Hearn) called my attention to some broken flags in North St, he was under the impression they were damaged by the Gas Co's men. I am aware the flag at Mr L. Dwyer's was broken before the Gas men went to work there.

Thomas Byrne.

Ordered That an order for the Sluice Flaps be sent to Messrs Graves and that the Surveyor be directed to employ a mason and have them set.

That the channel gratings at Irishtown be allowed to stand over for the present, and that Flynn have the large stones, refered to in the report, picked and the scattered ones collected.

The Chief Executive Officer of the Irish International Exhibition forwarded one doz booklets, refering to Exhibition, which were distributed amongst the members.

The Clerk asked if he would summon the members to consider the application from the Technical Committee for the erection of a Technical Hall at next meeting and he was directed to let the matter stand over for sometime.

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Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean each day, that Mr Dunphy Quay St, had an empty barrel on the street for three days, and that Mr Hutchinson had machinery on them each day, from 12th to 18th inclusive.

On the 22nd Inst, one of the Railway float sank about six inches in Quay St, outside Mr David Murphy's premises, the Gas Co were laying a pipe here lately and did not ram the ground sufficiently. The work ordered to be carried out at Monk's Lane has not yet been done.

A man in the employment of William Ahearne Mary St, has been dumping a large heap of ashes and other house refuse on the Street each morning for the past week. He have repeatedly cautioned Ahearne about this, and the worst feature in the case is that these ashes etc, are placed outside other people's premises.

Ordered

That a copy of the above report be sent to the Gas Co, and they be informed that if in future their men do not take sufficient care in re-filling the openings made by them, the Council will take such legal steps as may be necessary to ensure compliance with their requirements in this respect.

That Mr Ahearne be informed that if in future, he deposits any rubbish or shop sweepings on the streets legal proceedings will be taken against him to prevent such a practice.

The Clerk reported that in compliance with a previous order of the Council he directed their Solicitor to take proceedings against Mr Hutchinson for depositing machinery on the streets, and it was approved of.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 7th November 1906.

John J Hearn

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Monday 5th November 1906.

Monthly meeting day.

No attendance of members.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 7th November 1906.

J. Hearn

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Wednesday 7th November 1906

An adjourned meeting of the Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider an application from the Committee of the NewRoss Branch of the Gaelic League for permission to plant about one dozen trees at Irishtown, as a celebration of Arbour week.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
John Hand
Wm. G. Williams
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
James Phelan
David and Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Wm. G. Williams and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 121 M. J. Flinn NewRoss £21 · 15 · 7

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

R 13107

Board of Trade,
London. 6th November 1906.

Sir,

With further reference to your letter of the 2nd ultimo calling attention to the necessity for a foot-bridge at the level crossing at Rosbercon, NewRoss, I am directed by the Board of Trade to transmit to you for the information of the Urban District Council the enclosed copy of a reply from the Company to a communication addressed to them from this Department on the subject and to request that, if it is desired to press the matter, you will furnish the Department with a statement shewing for 3 consecutive days how many times and for what periods the gates at the crossing were

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closed and how many foot passengers were detained on each occasion.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
Herbert Jekigll.

Copy of letter referred to

D. W. & W^{d}. Rly Co,
Westland Row Station,
Dublin, 26th October, 1906.

H/186

Sir,

Your letter of the 18th Inst (R/12094) transmitting a copy of a communication received by the Board of Trade from the New Ross Urban District Council, complaining of alleged delay at Rosbercon level crossing has been considered by my Directors, and I am desired to submit the following observations:—

The level crossing in question is situate at the South end of the Passenger Station at New Ross, and a single line of rails only is carried over it. The Goods yard is at the North end of the Station, where all loading and unloading of Goods and Live Stock, and marshalling of trains takes place.

Six trains only in each direction run over the Rosbercon Level crossing on week days, and there is no regular service on Sundays. The gates are closed for the passage of these trains, and in addition, it is sometimes necessary to close them for the purpose of attaching or detaching horse boxes, carriage trucks, or other vehicles to down trains standing at the platform. With this exception no shunting usually takes place over the crossing, and the gates are rarely closed for a longer interval than five or six minutes. If necessary, the movement of vehicles is suspended for a minute or two to allow persons standing at the gate to pass.

The road in question is not an important one, and the number of foot-passengers using it is inconsiderable.

No previous complaint of inconvenience in consequence of the present arrangements had been received by the Company from ~~any~~ the New Ross Urban District Council or from any member of the public using the crossing.

In the circumstances, it is submitted that no substantial ad-

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vantage would be gained by the erection of a footbridge, and that the company should not be put to the expense of providing one.

Iam &c,
(Sd) M. H. Keogh.
Secretary.

Ordered That the Clerk be directed to make arrangements to obtain the particulars required by the Board of Trade as to what periods the gates at the crossing were closed and the number of foot passengers detained on each occasion.

Gaelic League Rooms,
New Ross, 31-10-1906.

Gentlemen,

Iam directed by the Committee of the New Ross Branch of the Gaelic League to request the Council to grant space for the planting of about a dozen trees in the Irishtown, as a celebration of Arbour week.

Doubtless you are already aware of the efforts now being made by the Irish Forestry Society to focus public attention on this important matter, in which object, they are ably assisted by the Gaelic League all over the Country.

The Ross Branch, anxious to fall into line, is taking this opportunity to start the good work in the district, with the fervent hope that the example will be followed on a large scale in the near future; and count on the co-operation and assistance of the Council in doing so. Should the request be granted, the League is prepared to meet all the expenses incurred in planting and railing of trees, which are then to become the property of the Council, on the understanding that they are to be looked after and saved from molestation or damage.

Iam Gentlemen,
Yours respectfully,
Thomas Redmond, Hon Sec.

Proposed by Mr Williams and Seconded by Mr Phelan "That the necessary permission be given

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to plant the trees at Irishtown, subject to the particular sites selected, being approved of by the Street Committee.

Passed Unanimously

Comhrad na Gaeilge,
Roinn Uile Theann,
November 6th 1906.

A Cara,

I am enclosing, for adoption by your Board, a resolution passed at the last Quarterly meeting of the Co Committee of the Gaelic League in the Co Wexford.

The resolution is a strong one, but we have been forced to take such action by the refusal of, what we Gaelic Leaguers consider, a very reasonable request made to the National Bank, viz:- that of being allowed to use our own National Language in our dealings with the Bank.

I may add that The National Bank alone, of all the Banks in the country, has offered such an insult to the Gaelic League, and through The Gaelic Leage, to the National Feelings of every Irishman the world over.

Its Chairman, at the last half yearly meeting in July, declared war on the Gaelic League, by announcing that they could not any longer accept cheques signed in Irish, unless they were also signed in English. Now we Gaelic Leaguers consider such action a direct insult to our National Feelings, and we should be very dead indeed to all feelings if we did not resent such, and Irishmen as a whole must have lost all National Spirit if they do not support us in our resentment.

Is mise,
Le mear mór,
Mícéal Ua Muireadhaigh, Rúnaire.

M. J. Flinn Esq

(a) " That we call on all the branches of the Gaelic League under the control of the County Committee to change their accounts from the National Bank, which has refused to accept cheques signed in Irish, to any other bank that accepts them.

(b) all Gaelic Leaguers to do likewise, all public bodies in County Wexford, the County Council, the Urban and District Councils, the

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Boards of Guardians and other public bodies be requested to change their accounts.

(c) To call on all Gaelic Leaguers in the County to refuse to accept notes of the National Bank, or if accepted to get them changed into gold.

(d) That copies of this resolution be sent to all public bodies in the county, as well as to all the Branches of the League in the county and to the Coiste Gnotha."

Ordered

That the consideration of this matter be adjourned to next meeting, the members summoned to consider it.

North St,
New Ross, October 31st 1906.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 26th inst, to hand in a.m. time. Its content are rather a surprise to me. Your bouncil without seeing into the matter say our cars broke the flags refered to. The three broken flags are situated as under, 1st is 15 ft above our door, 2nd is right opposite the door, 3rd below the door, seeing where these flags are situated its impossible for our cars to interfere with them, and the flag below the door is broken over six years, so I cannot see why you should have within such a letter as that of the 26th requesting us to repair and reset the ~~the~~ broken flags, as soon as possible. It is just what we are not intended to do.

You please leave this letter before the meeting to-night and I hope the bouncil will be good enough to consider the matter and have the broken flags repaired and re-set as soon as possible.

Yours H. fully,
L. Duryer.

Ordered

That Messrs Duryer Bros. be informed, that all the broken flags in that Street, except those opposite the entrance to their yards, will be repaired by the bouncil.

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Dublin Wicklow & Wexford Railway,
Dublin, 2nd November 1906.

Macadam, for New Ross.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 26th ult, addressed to the Secretary, relative to rate on macadam, I have pleasure in quoting you special rates as under for macadam in wagon loads of six tons, Station and Station.

Balleece Siding to New Ross	3/6 per ton
Arklow and New Ross	2/6 "
Enniscorthy and New Ross	2/- "

I shall be glad to know from what point the macadam will be coming, when I shall issue the rate.

Yours faithfully,
Jno Coghlan.
C. Cl.

M. J. Flinn Esq/

A lengthened discussion took place respecting the best means of providing metalling for the streets as there are no limestones being delivered at present, on comparison of prices it was found that the limestones were considerably cheaper than those from any of the other quarries, but as there were some broken stones urgently needed for the streets it was –

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

"That eight wagon loads,- forty-eight tons be ordered from Mr Kavanagh of Enniscorthy at price already quoted, provided he can supply same on rail at Enniscorthy within one week".

Passed Unanimously

It was also ordered that the Clerk proceed to Grannagh, and Dunkit, and endeavour to arrange with the limestone Quarry owners in these places for a supply of stones, and also with boatmen to deliver them in New Ross, he to be empowered to make the best arrangements as to price and freight that he can.

The meeting also directed the Town Surveyor to inspect the Quarry at

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Dunganstown and report to next meeting if there is any seam of stone suitable for street metalling, the Clerk to send an official order to Mr Hartley for a car to take him there.

Irish County Councils' General Council,
Dublin, October 1906.

Re Public Bodies' Insurances

Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Irish County Councils' General Council to forward you the following resolution, unanimously adopted at their Annual Meeting, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin, on the 18th inst. :—

Resolved :— "That in view of the large volume of insurances effected by the Public Bodies of Ireland, and of the fact that, under existing circumstances, the premiums paid for such insurances go to swell the profits of British, Colonial, and foreign Insurance Companies, this Council is of opinion that the formation of an independent Irish Insurance Company is most desirable, and that such a Company should receive the support of all Irish Public Bodies."

I am also directed to inform you that it was decided to invite a Conference of Representatives of Irish Public Bodies to consider the advisability of the formation of an Irish Insurance Company.

I am to ask that you will be so good as to request your Body, at its next meeting, to appoint one delegate to represent them at the Conference, which (by permission of the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of Dublin) will be held at the Mansion House, Dublin, on Thursday, 13th December, at 12·30 o'clock P.M.

It would greatly facilitate the Conference if, in the meantime, your Body would express their opinion as to whether they would support an Irish Insurance Company if formed on a sound financial basis. I accordingly enclose for your convenience a draft form of resolution, which I will thank you to submit to them. I would be much obliged if you would, also, fill in on enclosed form the amounts of insurances effected by your Body last year, and the premiums paid thereon.

I enclose card of admission to the Conference, and will thank you

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to hand it to the delegate appointed.

A reply at your earliest convenience will greatly oblige.

Yours faithfully.
A. Keogh Nolan.
Secretary.

Ordered That the Secretary be informed the Council approve of the formation of an Irish Insurance Co, and that if it is formed, they will support it.

That the Clerk furnish a list of the Insurances of the Council, and the premiums paid.

Norwich & London Accident Insurance Association,
Norwich, 2nd November 1906.

Fidelity Guarantee re-J. J. Browne.

Dear Sir,

We have been requested to guarantee the fidelity of Mr John J. Browne, of North St, Newross, in the sum of £200, as Collector of Borough Rate on behalf of the Newross Urban District Council. The Policy is to take the place of that previously provided by the "Patriotic Assurance Co".

Will you kindly reply fully to the queries in the accompanying form, so far as they are applicable to the appointment in question.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours faithfully,
C. S. Gilman.
Manager & Secretary.

Ordered That the Clerk furnish the particulars asked for by the Company.

A letter was also received from the Irish County Councils' General Council forwarding copy of resolutions referring to management of Irish Railways, but whilst the meeting was in agreement with the General Council that the present system of managing the Irish Railways was detrimental to the interests of Ireland, no order made upon the resolutions.

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A letter was received from the Gas Co acknowledging receipt of the resolution of the Council dealing with insufficient ramming of street openings and stating that same would have attention.

It having been stated that there was very bad light from some of the Gas lamps, it was ordered that the Gas Co be asked to state how many candle power, was the illuminating power of the light supplied through a four foot burner equivalent to, and also to state when the lamps, ordered to be erected at Rosbercon Hill and Wexford St, will be lighted.

Town Surveyors Report

Referring to orders of the Council dated 26th October. The mason that usually works for the Council is I understand at present employed, however as letters have been sent by the Clerk to trades-people not to do any work or supply goods for the Council without a written order from him, it would have been better that an order had been sent to the mason the Council desired to employ.

As regards the making good of damaged flagging in footpaths, such work is part of the road maintenance, the carrying out of which the Council took out of my hands.

The usual specification for road metalling is to have the stones broken to pass through a 2 inch ring in their largest dimension, the stones I complained of would not pass through a 3" ring.

The gratings in the channels in Irishtown and Michael St often get choked in heavy rains for want of proper cleaning.

I am not aware of any limestones being got in lately.

Thomas Byrne

A discussion took place respecting the failure of the Surveyor to carry out the orders of the Council made at last meeting as conveyed to him by the Clerk, and it was now ordered that he be again directed to carry out orders of the Council as conveyed to him in the Clerk's letter of the 26th Ult, and in addition to repairing, or re-setting

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the flag at North St, already specified, he have any others in that street, except those directly opposite the entrance to yard of Messrs Dwyer Bro^s. which require repairing, repaired or re-set, the Clerk to forward him a blank official order, signed so that he may employ any mason, who is available at present.

That the attention of the foreman be directed to the channels referred to in the report.

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that on each day he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean. The two men engaged at road maintenance stopped work on the 26th. Inst, owing to heavy rain. The footpath at Rosbercon, and portion of the one on the South side of the Bridge are dirty. A wheel barrow would be required for the use of the Council.

Ordered That a wheel barrow be purchased, and that two boatloads of coarse gravel be also got.

That the attention of the foreman be directed to the cleansing of the footpaths referred to in the report.

The Clerk reported that Mr Neville, called to the office and offered to give 5^d. per load for the road scrapings on Cherry road from now to first of next May, and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr Williams his offer was unanimously accepted.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 14th November 1906.

John S Hearn

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Wednesday 14th November 1906

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider a letter received from the Hon Secretary of the Co Committee of the Gaelic League enclosing copy of a resolution calling on the branches of the League and all public Bodies to change their Accounts from the National Bank, which has refused to accept cheques signed in Irish, and to refuse to accept notes of that Bank, or if accepted to get them changed into gold.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
John Meehan
John Hand
John Fanning
Joseph Roche
Peter Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
James Phelan
James B. Hearn
David Murphy
Wm. Ly. and Williams

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and John Hand and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:—

No 122	Mrs Ly. A. Carr	New Ross	£1 · 6 · 3
" 123	Cashiers Bank of Ireland		24 · 11 · 2
" 124	same		61 · 6 · 1
" 125	same		45 · 8 · 3
" 126	Sec School attendance Cte	"	7 · 16 · 11
" 127	Doyle Bros.	New Ross	6 · 12 · 0
" 128	Dr. Oconnor	"	8 · 0 · 0
" 129	John Falconer	Dublin	15 · 0
" 130	Treasurer L. Ly Board	"	4 · 5 · 2
" 131	Longe + Taggart	"	2 · 14 · 0

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No	132	Thomas Byrne	New Ross	£ 4 .. 6 .. 8
..	133	John J. Browne	..	2 .. 9 .. 6
..	134	Borough Treasurer	Kilkenny	10 .. 9
..	135	Thomas Martin	New Ross	17 .. 11
..	136	John Tobin	..	12 .. 10 .. 0
..	137	Patrick Redmond	..	4 .. 6 .. 8
..	138	same	..	4 .. 6 .. 8
..	139	M. J. Flinn	..	9 .. 13 .. 10

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

2 North Lt Georges St,
Dublin, 9th November 1906.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of 5th November, enclosing copy of resolution passed by the New Ross Urban District Council in which the Council protests against the practice of the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction, subsidising out of public funds the Irish Agricultural Organisation Society. Please inform the Council that I am in hearty sympathy with their protest.

I suppose they are aware that as the time the Bill constituting the Department was passing thro Parliament, the Government gave me a distant pledge, that the Department would not use any of the funds to be placed at its disposal for the purpose of subsidising the Irish Agricultural Organisation Society or the Wholesale Society and in pursuance of that pledge, a clause authorising the Department to make such use of its funds was struck out of the Bill. In my opinion the action of the Department in subsidising the Agricultural Organisation Society and, in dialect the Wholesale Society is a gross breach of Public faith.

I shall certainly take the earliest opportunity that offers to bring this matter up in the House of Commons.

Yours Sincerly,
John Dillon.

M. J. Flinn Esq/

Ordered That the thanks of the Council be conveyed to —

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Mr Dillon for his efforts in the matter.

House of Commons,
12th November 1906.

Dear Mr Flinn,

Mr Dillon, some time ago, called the attention of the House to the subsidising of the Irish Agricultural Organisation Society by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction. Kindly let me know if there are any new developements in that direction and the case on which your Council based their resolution. This is a very serious matter and should not be allowed to rest.

Yours faithfully,
Peter Ffrench.

M. J. Flinn Esq

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish the necessary information to Mr Ffrench.

Town Hall,
Bray, 9th November 1906.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by Bray Urban District Council to state that they had under consideration at their last meeting the resolution of your Council having reference to Government Grants to the Irish Agricultural Organisation Society. The Society in question has not been operating in this district, and as the resolution does not disclose any grievance, I am directed to inquire on what grounds your Council consider that the subsidy, if any, should be dropped, as in the event of their being a genuine grievance, my Council desire to be associated with the resolution, but at present they have not sufficient information to guide them in the matter.

Yours faithfully,
P. Mac. Donnell.
Clerk to the Council.

M. J. Flinn Esq

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Ordered That the desired information be furnished.

Letters were also received from several Councils throughout Ireland, stating that the resolution had been adopted.

St Johns, Enniscorthy,
November 9th 1906.

Dear Sir,

I received your wire and note for which I am obliged and wired you yesterday saying "cannot send immediately" as I have a steam-roller at present working for the Enniscorthy Urban Council and must keep them supplied with stones. I could send you a quantity later on and you could get your Council to give them a trial against the stones you are using and I am sure we will do a good business when I get the siding in.

Faithfully yours,
E. Kavanagh.

M. J. Flinn Esq

The Clerk stated that on receipt of this letter he wrote asking him to state definitely when he could supply the stones, as the Council may not require them if they are not supplied promptly.

To this he received the following reply.

St Johns, Enniscorthy,
12th November 1906.

Dear Sir,

I am obliged for your note of the 10th Inst, re delivery of stones. It will take me one month from this date to supply the orders already in, I could then supply your Council.

Faithfully yours,
E. Kavanagh.

M. J. Flinn Esq

The Clerk reported that he visited Dunkit, and Grannagh, and arranged with Messrs Mc. Grath and Cunningham for a supply of stones, at 1/6 per ton, and also arranged with Mr Donovan Waterford, to bring them up @ 1/4 per ton. One lighter load had been

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delivered since. The arrangement made by the Clerk was considered very satisfactory.

It was now ordered that as Mr Kavanagh cannot supply the stones for a month, the order given him be cancelled.

Copies of resolutions dealing with the teaching of Irish, passed by the Executive Committee of the Gaelic League, were on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, seconded by Mr David Murphy, adopted by the meeting, and copies ordered to be sent to J. E. Redmond M. P, the Chief Secretary and the National Board.

The Gas Co wrote stating that they intended opening the ground in John St, for the purpose of cleaning a supply pipe, but there was no order made.

Offices,
New Ross, 14th Novr. 1906.

re :- Town Surveyor

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of 12th Ulto, if the Town Surveyor or any other salaried officer of the Council fails to attend to his duties it devolves upon the Council, with the sanction of the Local Government Board, to remove him, but they cannot in our opinion merely suspend him and allow him to resume his duties upon penalty of withdrawing his salary during his period of absence. There is authority however for suspending a rate collector who is not a salaried officer, but is paid a poundage.

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Gethin.

No order made

An application was received from Thomas Moran Rosbercon, for three heaps of road scrapings at 5d. per load and it was accepted.

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Town Surveyor's Report
Dunganstown Quarry.

I visited the above on Friday last as directed. The quarry is in a bad way at present for getting out stones for immediate use, it would take a month or so to clear the clay from the top and base of the quarry in order to work it properly so as to get out a fair quantity of stones. All that could be quarried in its present state is a couple boat loads. The quality of the stone in some of the beds is fairly good but they break badly, if something additional were paid the men for breaking them better they might be used on some roads.

Thomas Byrne

That the Clerk write to Mr Hunt and ascertain if he is willing to clear the Quarry so as to enable him to Quarry the stones.

Town Surveyor's Report

Referring to the orders of the Council to carry out repairs to the flagging of the footpath in North St, sent me by the Clerk, together with an "official" order to enable me to hunt up an unemployed mason to do the work, permit me to say that such work is outside the terms of my appointment as Town Surveyor.

For the past 6 or 7 years I have performed a great deal of works outside my duties and when I presented some of my accounts for fair remuneration, the Finance Committee simply ignored my applications, and until they recognise my right to payment for such works I must decline to perform them.

With regard to Street and road maintenance which includes the necessary repairs to footpaths it may be my duty to compel the Council to carry out the public works properly which they rightly or wrongly took upon themselves to do.

Herewith I send report on Dunganstown Quarry.

Thomas Byrne

Ordered That the Town Surveyor be directed to specify in what

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particulars the bouncil is not properly carrying out the public works consigned to its care, so that the bouncil may remedy any deficiences.

That he furnish to next meeting of the bouncil, to be held on the 28th Inst, a specification and Estimate of the necessary repairs to footpaths at North St, including re-setting of existing flags that require to be re-set, and a specification and Estimate of the work necessary to be done to properly set the sluice valves at Rosbercon.

Finance bommittee Report

Your Finance bommittee met this day and recommend the payment of the undermentioned (see list at commencement of Minutes)

Proposed by Mr Meehan
Seconded by Mr Fanning

John S. Hearn
Peter Murphy

"That the report of the Finance bommittee be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made".

Passed Unanimously

Report of bollector

I beg to report that all the weekly tenants are paying their rents very well.

Requirements

Michael Curran	Bullaun		one new grate
James Murphy	"		slates on house, & five panes of glass
Joseph Allen	"		Repairs to ceiling front room.
John Dunbar	Holly Ho Lane		eave shoots cleaning
Edward Whitty	Irishtown		portion of eave shoot back of house, repairs to fireplace, three panes of glass broken.

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Mrs Quigley	William St	door to oven
John Hanning	"	Do
Timothy Carty	"	one pane of glass broken
John Neill	"	two panes of glass broken
Edward Broaders	"	four do
Michael Kavanagh	"	range re-fitted.

Your Obedient Servant,
John J. Browne.

Proposed by Mr P. Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Roche

"That the repairs reported by the Collector as necessary to be done on the houses of the Council, be carried out by Mr Butler except the putting in of glass, the tenants to be directed to have that done in any of the houses requiring it".

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk stated that the mud cart and watering cart would require to be put under cover for the winter, and suggested that the door of the Fish house be widened to admit them.

Ordered

That the Surveyor furnish to next meeting a specification and Estimate of the cost of widening the door of Fish house sufficient to admit them, and that he also superintend the setting of the trap in Priory St.

The Clerk stated that James Neill of Ballyanne, offered a wheelbarrow at 10/= and it was ordered that it be purchased if found suitable.

The consideration of the letter and resolutions received from the Co Committee of the Gaelic League, and entered on the minutes of last meeting was taken up next, and it was proposed by Mr Roche and Seconded by Mr Meehan

"That the communication received from the Co Committee of the Gaelic League be marked read".

Mr Roche spoke for sometime in support of the resolution, and in the course of his speech refered to the National Bank as a great

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Industrial Institution. When he had concluded, the following Amendment was Proposed by Mr David Murphy and Seconded by Mr Fanning,

"That we hold over this resolution until this night month, and in the meantime, the Clerk write to the Directors of the National Bank, enclosing resolution, and asking them to accede to the request of the Gaelic League Viz:- to accept cheques filled and signed in Irish, and if a favourable reply be not received by that date, that I will serve a notice of motion to have our account changed from the National Bank".

Mr Murphy in proposing the resolution condemned the action of the National Bank in refusing to deal with cheques signed in Irish, and also in getting their Bank notes printed out of Ireland.

The following further Amendment was Proposed by Mr J. B. Hearn and Seconded by Mr Williams

"That the Urban Council, in reply to the Circular received from the Co Committee of the Gaelic League, recommend the Gaelic League to arrange with the National Bank, a deputation from the Gaelic League to confer with the Directors on the occasion of the next meeting of the Directors in Dublin for a settlement of this dispute".

Mr Murphy consented to withdraw the amendment proposed by him in favour of Mr Hearn's.

A Poll was then taken on Mr Hearn's amendment and there voted For Messrs James B. Hearn, Wm. G. Williams, John Hand, John Fanning, David Murphy, James Phelan, Patrick Dunphy, Peter Murphy, and the Chairman,

Against Messrs John Meehan and Joseph Roche.

The amendment was declared carried.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 28th November 1906.

John J Hearn

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New Ross Wednesday 28th November 1906

A meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 3.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S Kearn J.P. Chairman
John Meehan
John Hand
John Fanning
Joseph Roche
Peter Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
James Phelan
James B Deane
David Murphy
and
William G. Williams

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Dunphy and Hand and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz: Petty Cash £30-6-10

The following Correspondence was read:-

Temple Grove
Montreal 5th November 1906

Dear Mr Mayor

I would be extremely obliged if Your Worship could kindly put me in communication for historic purposes with a family of Downie. Commodore Downey R.N. was the son of a clergyman at Ross. He was killed during the war of 1812-15 here. I am writing also Ross Co Cork.

Yours truly
David Ross McCord K.C.

His Worship
The Mayor of New Ross

It was agreed that the Clerk call on Mr Tobin and ascertain if

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he has information respecting the person inquired about.

A letter was received from Michael Hunt, Dungarstown offering to clear the Council's Quarry there for £6, but the Meeting this sum far too much and it was Ordered that Mr Hunt be informed the Council are not prepared to expend this amount on the clearing of it.

Town Hall Tenagh
21st November 1906

Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Tenagh Urban District Council to transmit you a copy of a Resolution which was unanimously adopted at a full Meeting of their Council on the 14th Inst; and to request that your Council may be pleased to act similarly

Yours faithfully
Frdck. R Mahony
Town Clerk.

Copy of Resolution

"That as a mark of protest against the withdrawal of the fees for teaching of Irish and the interference of the British Treasury in such matters, we hereby instruct our Clerk, in Submitting the Rate Estimates for the Coming Financial Year, to provide for the striking of a rate of one penny in the pound, or make such provision for the sum the said rate would be equivalent to on the Valuation of the Urban District of Tenagh, to be devoted towards the teaching of the Irish Language in said Urban District"

Ordered

That the Consideration of this resolution be adjourned to Next Meeting the Clerk to ascertain, in the meantime, whether the Council have power to strike a rate for the teaching of Irish in the Urban District

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A notification was received from the Gas Co of their intention to open the road outside Mr Pope's of Priory St. for the purpose of repairing a leak in one of the pipes, but there was no order made upon it.

Letters were received from the following Urban District Councils Notifying the adoption, by them, of the resolution passed by this Council, protesting against the subsidising of the I. A. O. S by the Department of Agriculture Viz:- Templemore, Wicklow, Bray Nenagh and Warrenpoint.

A letter was received from Mr French M.P. enclosing copy of the Chief Secretary's reply to a question of his relative to the subsidising of the I.A.O.S. in which he stated the matter was to be further considered at a meeting of the Council of Agriculture which is to be held on the 27th. and 28th. of the present month.

Letters were received from the Chief Secretary, and Commissioners of National Education, acknowledging receipt of a resolution, passed by the Executive Committee of the Gaelic League, and adopted by this Council, relative to the teaching of Irish in National Schools.

Mr Brown, Rate and Rent Collector, furnished a Fidelity Bond of the Norwich & London Accident Insurance Association for £100, in lieu of the one previously issued by The Patriotic, who have ceased to transact this class of business, and it was approved of.

A preliminary Notice, and Notice of application to the County Court Judge for Compensation for Criminal Injury done to Property was received from Mr Patrick Dunphy North St New Ross for the malicious breaking of a Plate Glass Window of the value of £9. 10. 0, whereby he sustained a loss of £10. 10. 0, for which he intends to apply to next Quarter Sessions; and from Mr Francis Ashe John St New Ross for the malicious destruction of a Forge bellows whereby he has sustained a loss of £6. 0. 0, which he intends to apply for at next Quarter Sessions.
A report was received from the County Inspector in reference to these two claims, in which the damage done was described. After some

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discussion it was
Proposed by Dvr Peter Dwyer and
Seconded by Dvr Williams

"That a committee,
consisting of Drs JB Hearn and Joseph Roche,
be appointed to investigate these claims, and the damage
done, and report to next Meeting of the Council respecting them.
Passed Unanimously

The Town Surveyor submitted a Plan, Specification, and,
in his weekly report, an estimate amounting to £10-10-0, for
altering the doorway of Fish house so as to admit watering
Cart, and Mud Cart, but the Meeting considered the amount
too high and directed him to prepare a specification, and
Estimate, of the cost of erecting a Shed in Drury St Yard to
hold these carts, the roof of same to be of corrugated iron.

Town Surveyor's Report

28th November 1906

Gentlemen,

"Herewith I submit specification and sketch plan
for proposed gateway in Fish house, the cost would be
about £10-10-0. I believe the same amount spent on a shed
would be better, and not alter the construction of the Fish House for
the purpose of housing two carts. At present it is small enough for
the storage of implements, planks, and material.

With regard to a specification for keeping in repair
the roads and streets of the district there are in the Office copies
of the specification by which the streets have been heretofore repaired
and is sufficient for Your guidance as to the manner in which
the work is to be carried out. The quantity of broken stones has been
already specified.

As soon as You have a mason ready I shall
give him directions as to the setting of the drain flaps at Roberton
and the repairs to the flagging of the footpaths.

The proper cleaning of the surface of the up-town streets

is almost entirely neglected

Your Obedient Servant
Thomas Byrne
Town Surveyor

Ordered

That the Town Surveyor furnish to next Meeting of the Council, to be held on 12th December, a definite reply to their order, made at last Meeting, requiring him to specify in what particulars the Council is not properly carrying out the Public Works consigned to its Care, and that he attend in the Chabel during next Meeting so that he may be available if required.

That he also furnish to next Meeting an estimate and specification for the erection shed in Henry St yard, the roof to be of Corrugated iron.

That the Clerk submit to next Meeting the Copies of the specification referred to by the Surveyor as being in the Office.

Mr Roche on behalf of the '98 Committee applied verbally for permission to alter the present Kerbing of Footpath at Fitzgerald's Corner so as to have it come in a Curve outside the base of the Monument, the necessary alterations, and repairs to flags of footpath, to be done at the expense of the '98 Committee.

It was Ordered that the matter be referred to the Street Committee to report to next Meeting of the Council, to which also a Plan showing the proposed alterations, are to be submitted.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 12th December 1900

J. P. Bean

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Wednesday 12th December 1906.

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs James B. Hearn presiding
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Samuel Hill
John Deehan
David Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
Joseph Roche
Wm G. Williams
James Phelan
and
James J. O'Gorman

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payment was signed by the Chairman and James J O'Gorman and John Hand, and the following Lying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 141- Treasurer & Comal Quarters Demand to 31st Inst. £216-14-3
" 142. A. H. Tyndall Half years rent Henry St. 5.10.0
" 143. A. R. Hamilton Jr. Half years rent due Col Tottenham 5.18.6
" 144- Cashiers Bank of Ireland Title Rent Charge 13.1
" 145- Wm Cunningham Limestones 9.8.0
" 146 Do Do Quarters Salary as Town Clerk 25.0.0
" 147- Same Petty Cash 23.9.10
" 148- Walter Hennebery Limestones & Freight 4.12.0
" 149- John Tobin Quarters Pension as C.S.O 3.2.6
" 150 — John J Browne Postage 18.1
" 151 - Same Commission 7.8.0

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152 —	Lawrence & Co.	Gratis Limestone	£9. 0. 0
153 —	Rish & Foley	Solvency	2. 13. 2
154 —	W. H. Howard	Do	2. 10. 8
155 —	H. Cussen	Income Tax	5. 6
156 —	Jeremiah O'Donovan	Freight	6. 0. 0
157 —	Thomas Byrne	Salary	4. 6. 8
158 —	D. Hickey	Half year's Salary to 1st Nov.	7. 10. 0
159 —	Wm. J. Browne	Sol. Costs re Arb. proceedings	25. 16. 8
160 —	Wm. Deering	Amount of Arbitrator's Award	1. 0. 0
161 —	James Murphy	Do	16. 2. 8
162 —	Michael Brennan	Do	1. 0. 0
163 —	Wm. Rourke	Do	1. 0. 0
164 —	Robert Bailey	Do	1. 0. 0
165 —	Patrick Doyle	Do	1. 0. 0

The following correspondence was read viz:-

Letter from Mrs Donovan complaining that there was neither a lock, latch, or weather board, on the front door of her house.

Ordered That the Collector report to Next Meeting whether this is the case, and if so, what has removed them off the door.

A letter was received from the Secretary of the County Council asking to have the third instalment of the Demand of the Council lodged to their credit but as its payment was recommended by the Finance Committee there was no Order made.

Letter from the Secretary of the Vice-Regal Commission on Irish Railways inquiring whether the Council having anything further to communicate for the information of the Commission, and after some discussion, the Clerk was directed to inform the Secretary that they did not intend to tender any evidence.

Letters were received from the Gorey Town Commissioners and

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Bambridge Urban Council notifying the adoption of the resolution passed by this Council relative to the subsidising of the I.A.O.S.

A Notification was received from the General Accident Assurance Co, that the premium on the Clerk's Bonds fell due on 2nd inst, and should be paid within fourteen days, but that Officer stated it was already paid, and submitted receipt, but there was No Order Made.

A letter was received from the Division Officer, Royal Engineers Waterford asking to be informed whether any Rates and Taxes are levied on the Military Barracks at Kerlogs and, if so, how much; also whether, if they were let to Civilian Tenants, the persons to whom they are let will be liable.

The Clerk reported that he had furnished the necessary information, as far as he was able, and this was approved of.

The Finance Committee recommended payment of the accounts entered at the Commencement of the Minutes and, On the proposal of Mr Hill, seconded by Mr Phelan they were Ordered to be paid.

The Committee, consisting of Messrs J.B. Kearns, and Joseph Rocke who were appointed at last meeting to investigate the Malicious injury Claims made by Messrs Dunphy, Hake reported verbally that they consider Mr Dunphy's claim correct as far as cost of new window and putting in Same is concerned, but the committee think the Council should not be liable for Legal expenses. In the Case of Mr Ashe the Committee consider his claim excessive, After some discussion the following Order was made Viz:- "That Messrs Colfer & Gethin be informed the Council wish them to appear at Wexford Quarter Sessions, January 1907, to protect their interests in the matter of the Malicious Injury Claims of Messrs Dunphy and Ashe.

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The Council consider Mr Dunphy's claim as correct so far as cost of new window and expense of putting in same; Council do not know if they be liable for Mr Dunphy's Law costs. In the case of Mr Ashe the Council believe his claim excessive and desire their Solicitors to oppose it. The Council are satisfied that the injury in Mr Dunphy's case was wanton, and in that of Mr Ashe it was malicious.

Town Surveyor's Report 12th December 1906

Gentlemen,

In reply to Your query to me to specify in what particulars the Council is not carrying out the Public works in its charge, I beg to point out that up to the 10th inst there have been but 610 cartloads of hard metalling averaging about two-thirds of a yard each put out on the 2,000 perches of streets and roads in the District when the quantity provided in my estimate is from two-third to one yard per perch for the main roads, and about a half yard per perch for the minor roads and back streets. There is also a want of tact and judgement displayed in the spreading of the material. For an instance of what I mean take North St where a patch of stones has been put down the centre and the sides adjoining the Channels left to take care of themselves. This neglect can be seen in many of the leading streets where the Channel paving shows up prominently over the street surface. Of course it is unnecessary for me to state that unless the proper quantity of material is spread in good time and used with judgement the streets cannot be maintained as they should. The cost of erecting a shed in Kenny St yard, say twenty feet long and fifteen feet wide placed against the gable of Thomas Kennedy's house would be about £8 covered with galvanized sheet iron 24 inch gauge and at a proportionate cost if made longer.

I was asked by Mr Williams to give my opinion of a suitable way to treat the corner at the monument. I submit a sketch showing what I would suggest. Two six inch earthenware

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pipes with metal flaps have been set in Rochestown, the third opening in the face of the retaining wall, I am informed, is not a drain at all, and from its appearance I concluded it was not, and have not set the third drain-mouth flap.

The drain sewer of the street is of a large size discharging at the edge of the pill. This should be treated differently and be done in the Spring or Summer.

The Channel grating in Drury St. at corner of Dewley's has been taken up and re-set.

Your Obedient Servant
Thomas Byrne

The Clerk stated that Limestones for Street Metalling were now being delivered plentifully and getting broken, but there was no order made respecting the maintenance of them.

In reference to Shed it was Ordered that the Surveyor prepare a plan and specification, as soon as possible, the Clerk, on receipt of same to issue advertisements for tenders for its construction same to be Considered at next meeting.

The sketch plan showing the position of the Kerbing and flagging around monument was approved of, and on the application of Mr Meehan flags &c, in the possession of the Council were Ordered to be given to the Committee for the purpose of repairing the street and flagged space adjacent to same.

The following letter received from Messrs Cofler & Gethin was Considered in Committee.

12th December 1906

Dear Sir,

With reference to the proceedings the Council have directed to be taken against Mr Matthew Hutchinson for causing an obstruction in the streets by depositing Machinery &c Outside his premises, we wish to point out to the Council that owing to the fact that the articles mentioned are placed in the street

outside the pathway a prosecution would not lie against him under the Towns Improvement Act, and that the only way he can be proceeded against is under section 13 Of the Summary Jurisdiction Act. The Council however as such have no status to appear as Complainants under the last mentioned Act but they, or the Street Inspector may in the Capacity of "Common informer" but in that Capacity only proceed against Mr Hutchinson. We would be glad if you bring the matter before the Council and ascertain their views and let us have their instructions

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Cotter

After some discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Hill and
Seconded by Mr Roche

That Mr Hutchinson be proceeded against for obstructing the Streets by placing Machinery &c on them, the Council or Street Inspector to act in the Capacity mentioned in the Messrs Colfer & Cotter's letter.

Passed Unanimously.

Wednesday the 26th inst being St Stephen's day, the Meeting adjourned to Thursday 27th December 1906.

J A Hearn

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Thursday 27th December 1906

A meeting of The Newtown Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith

Present Messrs John. S. Hearn J.P. Chairman, presiding.
James B Hearn
Michael Treaney
Patrick Dunphy
John Hand
John Meehan
John Fanning
James Phelan
Samuel Hill
Peter Murphy
and
David Murphy

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read & Signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Treaney and Peter Murphy, and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:- No 166- Petty Cash £27.14.2

The following Correspondence was dealt with Viz:-

South & - Newtown
27th December 1906

Sir

"I will pay any part of arrears of rent due by Richard Wickham for a house on Jones Hill, and will cease to be a surety for him after 27th Inst

Respectfully Yours
James. Walsh

The Presiding Chairman
Newtown Urban Council

Ordered

That Richard Wickham be required to provide

another Surety instead of Mr Walsh, and enter into a new Bond, and that as soon as a new Bond is perfected Mr Walsh be informed he will be released from all liability under the Bond signed by him.

A Tender was received from Mr John Redmond Verosland of 4/= for small heap of manure in yard, and 10/6 for the one that is being made up, but it was ordered that all the manure be advertised tenders to be received at next meeting.

D W W^d Railway Co
Westland Row
12th December 1906

Dear Sir,

I have received a complaint regarding the deposit of manure, Road Scrapings, and other refuse from the town upon the Company's property adjoining the Mill at Roberson, and am desired to ask You to Kindly arrange for it to be removed, and to take the necessary steps to put a stop to any further deposit being made on the land in question.

Yours faithfully
M. J. Keogh
Secretary

A discussion took place respecting the matter referred to in the letter, some Members Contending that the manure was not deposited on the property of the Council, but on Waste ground there, and it was Ordered that the Railway Co be informed the Comal are not depositing manure on their property.

A letter was received the Station Sergeant, Royal Engineers Waterford, inquiring the probable amount of Rates and Taxes, per year, the tenant of Newtoss Barracks will have to pay, in the event of the Barracks being occupied by a tenant.

The Clerk stated that he had given the information Viz:- the present valuation, and the rate in the £ for the present year, and this was approved of.

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The Secretary of the Vice Regal Commission on Irish Railways acknowledge receipt of the Council's letter of the 15th inst. intimating that they had decided not to tender any evidence before the Commission.

Letters were received from the Manager of the Dewhurst Gas Co stating that he intended opening the ground outside Mr Thorpe's John St, and Mr Jas Armstrong's Quay, for the purpose of repairing the pipes, but there was no order made upon them.

A certificate was received from Dr O'Connor that James Keithy was suffering from influenza, and will be unfit to work for one week.

Ordered

That Keithy's wages be paid in full.

A circular letter was received from the Local Government Board drawing attention to the recent decision in the case of Kent v Futtall dealing with the Registration of Electors, from which it appears to the Board that a modification is necessary in Paragraph 16 of form 34 of the Registration (Ireland) Rules 1899.

No Order made.

The Town Clerk, Clonmel, notified the adoption, by his Corporation, of the resolution passed by this Council relative to the subdividing of the I. A. O. S.

The Collector reported that certain trifling repairs required to be carried out on the Council's houses at Fair Gate, Church Lane, and William St, and, on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, seconded by Mr Dunphy, a resolution was passed directing Mr Butler to have those specified in the report carried out.

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Proposed by Mr Hill and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy "That the Council"
"employees Scanlon, Flynn, Broaders, Whitty, Keilthy and"
"Mrs O'Brien be allowed 5/= each for extra cleansing"
"at Christmas"

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk also reported that the men did not work on St Stephens day but as it was a general holiday in town the Meeting agreed to allow them their wages for the day. and it was ordered accordingly.

He also stated, that up to the present he was unable to get any person to attend at Roscrea for the purpose of taking the particulars required by the Board of Trade in connection with the application for a foot passenger bridge at the level crossing, Viz:- The number of times the gates would be closed to allow trains to pass, and the number of passengers thereby inconvenienced, as it would mean being there very early, about 5.30 AM, and remaining there until about 11 P.M, as the goods trains are due about those hours. It was now considered not necessary to include the goods trains but only the passenger trains, the first one of which crosses about 8 A.M and the last about 7.30 P.M. and the Clerk was directed to obtain the services of some competent person to attend there on three successive days, one of which is to be a fair day, at a remuneration not exceeding 10/- per day.

The Street Inspector reported that on some days he found the streets of the Town clean, whilst on others they were not. The Water Table in Monk's Lane has been repaired, with the exception of a portion of it which requires a concrete kerb, a crossing about three feet by four is very much needed here, which with the kerb, will only require about one flag and one bag of cement.

Ordered

That the Street Inspector get the Kerb, and Crossing, Constructed.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 9th. January 1907

John S Stearn

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Wednesday 9th January 1907

A Quarterly meeting of the Council was held this day at 4 o'clock P.M. to transact business of the Council pursuant to the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1854, and to consider the following Notice of Motion served by Councillor Hand Viz:- "That a flagged footpath be constructed at the South side of Cross Lane in continuation of the existing one,- from Session House to opposite the entrance to new Parish Church, to cost about £25..0..0.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
John Hand
John Meehan
Joseph Roche
James Phelan
Peter and Murphy

The minutes of last Quarterly meeting were read and signed

The Town Surveyor was also present

The following Quarterly Report of the Town Surveyor was read:-

I reported to the last monthly meeting of the Council fairly fully as to ~~have~~ how the work of maintenance on the streets and roads had been carried out, since then some 90 cart loads of road metal have been spread on the main roads in the lower part of the town and and Rosbercon, making the total quantity of hard metalling 700 cartloads to the 31st ulto. This quantity is far below what it ought to be at this period of the year.

The cleaning generally is not attended to except for a small area.

The construction of a flagged footpath on the South side of Cross Lane in continuation of the existing one at the Sessions House to the gateway opposite the entrance to the new Church, could not be carried out for £25, the sum stated in the Notice of Motion.

I have prepared an estimate of the approximate cost.

I am not bringing forward any recommendations for new

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works at this Season.

Your Obedient Servant,
Thomas Byrne.

Proposed by Mr Meehan and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That the report of the Town Surveyor be adopted."

Passed

The following Notice of Motion by Mr Hand was next considered.

I beg to give notice that I will propose at next Quarterly meeting of the Council to be held, on the 9th January, 1907, that a flagged footpath be constructed at the South side of Cross Lane in continuation of the existing one, from Session House to opposite the entrance to new Parish Church, to cost about £25.

John Hand.

The Surveyor submitted a detailed Estimate for the carrying out of this work, which amounted to £39-6-11, and as this exceeded the amount specified in the notice of motion the latter could not be dealt with and it was agreed to adjourn it to next Quarterly meeting.

During the discussion, the Chairman pointed out to Mr Hand that he could have got the Surveyor to give an Estimate of the probable cost of the work before serving the notice of motion, so that the proper amount might be included in it.

The meeting adjourned

John S Heavin

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Wednesday 9th January 1907

A meeting of the Kenmare Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith, as well as the business of the Finance meeting of the Comicil.

Present Messrs John. S. Hearn J.P. Chairman presiding
John Hand
John Sheehan
Joseph Roche
James Phelan
and Peter Murphy

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Sheehan and Hand and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No	167	Dr Flynn One months Salary as Town Clerk	£8-6-8
"	168	Same One Yrs Salary as E.S. Officer	6-5-0
"	169	John J Browne Commission	3-3-9
"	170	Dr Flynn Petty Cash	28-18-1
"	171	Walter Hennebery	1-2-8
"	172	Jeremiah O'Donovan	4-0-0
"	173	George Nolan	6-00
"	174	Margaret Rocke	28-16-0
"	175	Wm Cunningham	4-10-0
"	176	Thos Byrne J.P.	5-1-8
"	177	C Harvey Esq	9-0

A letter was received from the Kenmare Gas Co stating that they intend opening the road in Henry St to repair leakage in pipe, but there was no Order made.

The G W & W^de Railway Co wrote acknowledging receipt of the Comcil's letter informing the Company that no road Scrapings were being deposited

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on their property at Roberton Pill, and stating that same would have attention.

A Quotation was received from Messrs R Harvey Neo Waterford for five Rate Books at 18/-, being the same as for those obtained last year, and for which their estimate was considerably the lowest and it was ordered to be accepted.

Mr Hand drew attention to the badly lighted condition of the lower portion of Cross, viz from Sexions House railings to opposite the entrance to the New Church, and after some discussion a Committee consisting of Messrs Meehan and Roche were appointed to inspect the place and report as to whether the lamp, which is situate opposite the entrance to the New Church could be altered to a more suitable site.

Tenders for the erection of a shed in accordance with a plan and specification prepared by the Town Surveyor were received from James Connolly Priory St who proposed to carry out the work for the sum of £9.15.0 and from Daniel Evoy Work St who proposed to do it for £10-0-0, or £10-5-0 if covered with Graves' No 2 felt, and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr Roche the tender of Mr Connolly was unanimously accepted.

A Certificate, dated 21st December 1906 was received from Dr. O'Connor, that Wm. Scanlon was suffering from Rheumatism and would be unable to work for a week. The Clerk reported that he had now resumed working and it was agreed that he be paid his wages in full.

Tenders were received for manure as follows Viz:

Patrick Kearney Brandlins One heap @	10.0
John Redmond Verolands, for heap in pit	11.0
Patrick Freeman Ballycanne two heaps at 11/- each	1.2.0

Maurice Whelan Rylane 13/- for heap in Pit, and Edward Browne three heaps @ 13/- each. On the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr Roche the tender of Mr Browne, Deacon for three heaps at 13/- each was accepted.

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Wednesday 9th January 1907 (Minutes Contd)

The Finance Committee reported that they met this evening and recommended payment of accounts amounting to £96.12.10 (See detailed list at commencement of minutes)

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Hand "That the report of the Finance" "Committee be adopted, and the payments recommended by" "them be made".

Passed Unanimously

Town Surveyor's Report

The Town Surveyor reported that he examined the wooden fence on the diverted road in Rosheen maintained by the Railway Company: many of the rails are in an advanced state of decay but they are usually replaced by others when they get broken. The posts seem fairly sound, at least over the ground. The Company will probably build a proper protecting wall when they consider the embankment has settled sufficiently.

I consider more hands should be employed to clean the streets, with special attention to those having no footpaths.

Ordered

That two additional men be employed on to-morrow by the Clerk.

The following Notice of motion was served by Mr Hand Viz:-
"I hereby give Notice of Motion to move at next fortnightly" "Meeting of the Council that Mr Thomas Butler L.S.D. and Street" "Inspector be supplied with a Complete Uniform, Cost" "Not to exceed £2.10.0".

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 23rd January 1907

John S Lewis

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Wednesday January 16th 1907

The following were on this date duly declared elected Members of the Council in the room of those who retired by Rotation Viz:- Messrs Peter Murphy, James Bokeard, James J Sherman, and Edward Kehoe for Rathbeggan Ward, and Mr James George Dooley for Rosbercon Ward.

In addition to the above Messrs James Kane Junr. and Michael Freaney, were duly nominated, but both withdrew within the Statutory time fixed there was therefore no Poll taken.

Matthew J Finn
Returning Officer

John L Hearn

Wednesday 23rd January 1907

The Annual meeting of the Council was held this day at 12 O'clock noon, to elect a Chairman for the ensuing year, and if deemed advisable, a Vice Chairman

Present Messrs John L Hearn JP Chairman presided
David Murphy
Samuel Hill
Patrick Dunphy
Joseph Roche
Peter Murphy
Wm. G. Williams
and
James Phelan

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy "That the outgoing Chairman Mr John L Hearn JP. be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year" Passed Unanimously

It was not considered necessary to elect a Vice Chairman and the Meeting adjourned.

John L Hearn

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Wednesday 23rd January 1907

A Meeting of The Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and Other Acts connected therewith

Present Mepers John L'Estrange J.P. Chairman presiding
Patrick Dunphy
Joseph Lockt
Peter Murphy
David Murphy
Wm G Williams
Samuel Aiell
and
James Phelan

The Treasurer's Authority for making Payments was signed by the Chairman, and Mepers Peter Murphy and Samuel Aiell.

See Next page for Correct list of Members present

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Wednesday 23rd January 1907

A Meeting of The Newbridge Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts Connected therewith, also Notice of Motion served by me on Hand at last Meeting

Present Messrs John L Keane D.C. Chairman presiding
Samuel Hill
Edward Kehoe
Peter Murphy
Patrick Murphy

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Peter Murphy and Samuel Hill, and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:- Self from Petty Cash £28.7.6

A proposal was received from Laurence Harney for the tenancy of the Scales on the Quay at the weekly rent of 3d., and it was Ordered to be accepted.

An application was received from Andrew Cullen Secretary Irishtown Working Men's Club, asking for the use of the Large Room, Thobel, for the purpose of holding a dance in it on Saturday 9th February 1907.

Ordered That the use of the Large Room be given to the Club on the evening it is required, provided they arrange with the Committee of the Gaelic League for the Gas which may be used by them

A proposal of 5/- was received from James Finn for the heap of road scrapings at Newtown, but this amount was deemed insufficient, and an Order was made to have it advertised for sale.

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Wednesday 23rd January 1907 (Minutes Contd.)

The following proposals for the supply of a dray horse, and Cart for use in scavenging of streets, for one year was received Viz:-

James Doyle	Summerhill	@	£1-10-0 per week.
Martin Hand	Newbliss	@	1-10-0 Do
Philip Hartley	Mary St	Do @	1-4-6 Do
Thomas Hogan	and Mary St	@	1-2-0 Do

Proposed by Cor Dunphy and
Seconded by Cor Peter Murphy

That the proposal of Cor Thomas Hogan be accepted provided he supplies a good horse, Suitable Dray, and large Cart for use on the streets.

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk reported that the Dray Keill, to whom the order for a wheelbarrow was given, had failed to supply one, and it was now ordered that Patrick Kleacy supply one at a cost Not Exceeding 16/=, and that he also repair the lock on Office door, and that a new lock be obtained for door of inner room downstairs.

The Chairman drew attention to a flag which had recently been fixed across the water table in Braiden Lane, and stated that he considered it dangerous in its present position and that it ought to be removed. Cor Peter Murphy, who had also seen it, agreed with the Chairman and it was Ordered that the Surveyor report to Next Meeting the best way to satisfactorily repair the water Channel at Braiden Lane, and also that the flag be removed.

The Notice of Motion served by Cor Hand at last Meeting, relative to the providing of a Uniform for the Sanitary Sub Officer was, owing to Cor Hand's absence, adjourned to Next Meeting.

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At the commencement of the Meeting it was agreed, owing to the death of Mr William Hand, not to transact any business except that of a very urgent Nature, and the following resolution was drawn:-

Proposed by Mr Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hill, viz:-

"That we tender to"
"Mr John Hand, a Member of our Council, and"
"his immediate relatives, and friends our sincere"
"Sympathy and Condolence on the death of his"
"Father Mr Wm. Hand, and old and respected"
"inhabitant of our town, and that as a mark of"
"respect to his memory we adjourn this Meeting"
"without transacting any business except that of"
"an urgent Nature."

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 6th February 1907

John S Hearn

Wednesday 6th February 1907

An adjourned Meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other acts connected therewith, also business adjourned from previous Meeting.

Messrs John S Hearn J.P. Chairman, David Murphy and Peter Murphy attended soon after the time fixed for holding the Meeting. After remaining for a short time Mr Peter Murphy left, and soon after Mr O'Gorman attended. In consequence of a Quorum not having assembled up to 8 O'Clock,

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 13th February 1907

John S Hearn

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Wednesday 13th February 1907

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S Dean J.P presiding
Peter Murphy
Edward Kehoe
Patrick Dunphy
John Fanning
Samuel Dill
Wm G. Williams and

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Peter Murphy and Samuel Dill and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued viz:-

No 179	—	John J Browne	£7-13-2
" 180	—	Timber Dros	4-0-0
" 181	—	James Walsh	1-10-0
" 182	—	John Tobin	12-10-0
" 183	—	Patrick Redmond	4-6-8
" 184	—	Same	4-6-8
" 185	—	Thos Martin	17-11
" 186	—	Do Firm	8-6-8
" 187	—	Same	57-13-2
" 188	—	Wm Cunningham	17-3-6
" 189	—	Jeremiah O'Donovan	29-10-0
" 190	—	George Nolan	8-0-0
" 191	—	Do Firm	7-2-8
" 193	—	Patrick Carroll	4-10-0
" 194	—	Walter Henneberry	3-8-0
" 195	—	Thos Lyne	4-6-8
" 196	—	Heljo Limited	4-6

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The following Correspondence was read Viz:-

Mary St
Adelaide Rd February 6th 1904

Gentlemen,

Your letter to hand re Contract for stone work. I wish to state that I have large Cart as requested. The man and horse will be ready for the carrying out of work required

Yours truly
Thos Hogan

Ordered That Mr Hogan be informed the Council require him to supply a larger Cart and a smarter horse than those at present in use.

General Post Office
Dublin 8th February 1904

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 12th October last relative to the apparently insecure condition of the gable of Mrs Molloy's house at the rere of the Post Office premises Aston Quay, I am directed by the Postmaster General to state that the question whether remedial measures are necessary in connection with the wall appears to be for the Urban Council exclusively to decide, and he will therefore leave the matter in their hands.

No doubt the Council will see that the wall is kept under observation.

I am Sir
Your Obedient Servant
R. A Aguinon
Secretary

Ordered That the Town Surveyor be directed to keep this wall under observation and report to the Council whenever he considers its condition demands their attention.

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Courthouse
Wexford 12th February 1907

Dear Sir/s

I enclose particulars of Demand under Article 70 of the Public Bodies Order with Copies of the Estimates of Rates for General and Seperate Charges

Yours truly
W J Briscoe
County Secretary

The Demand amounted to £1176-3-3 as against £866-16-10 for last year.

Ordered

That the Matter be referred to the Finance Committee and that a Meeting of same be held on 27th inst. previous to the Meeting of the Council.

A Proposal was received from John. Grace for keep of road Scraping on Cherry road at 10/-. but it was already disposed of to Mr Neville.

A Rating Order was received from the Land Commission for £18-1-9 Def. Money received for interest on purchase of Farms by Myles Thorpe and Delaney and it was Ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

A letter was received from Mr Jeremiah O'Donovan Quay, Waterford, stating that in future he would pay Mr Bryan Grath for the limestones as it was inconvenient for the latter to have to wait for each Finance Meeting of the Council, and this arrangement was approved of by the meeting.

Letters were received from Mrs Hand Bremans Lane and Mr John Hand, acknowledging receipt of copy of vote of Sympathy passed by the Council on the occassion of the death of Mr Wm. Hand.

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A proposal of 10/= for heap of road dramore at Newtown, received from Mr John Byrne, The Hollow, Camblin was accepted.

Mr Wm Lifely Post Office Wexford wrote asking if the Corncil would let Large Room for a bazaar, and if so to state rent which would be paid in advance

Ordered

That Mr Lifely be informed the rooms are already occupied and could not be let.

Lawrence Harney tenant of Scales on Quay wrote Complaining of the Crowding of timber around the Scales which prevented people from getting their potatos weighed at it. He asked to have the timber cleared or give him permission to remove the Scales to some other position on the Quay

Ordered

That the Street Inspector have it removed to some suitable position on the Quay.

An application was received from Wm Scallon for a suit of oilclothes but it was refused.

A proposal for the tenancy of a house in William Street, lately occupied by Mr Kavanagh, was received from Nathaniel Hammond Junr of Church Lane, who offered as his Sureties Messrs Nathaniel Hammond Enniscorthy and Wm Reddy Marshlane and on the proposal of Mr Kehoe, seconded by Mr Fanning he was accepted as tenant.

A Circular letter was received from the Local Government Board dealing with the remuneration of Officers for their services in respect of the registration of electors, but as it does not apply to this District there was No Order made upon it.

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Wednesday 13th. February 1907 (Minutes cont.)

A Circular letter was received from the Hon Secretaries of the Briscoe Presentation Fund soliciting Subscriptions but the meeting were of opinion that the funds of the Comal could not be applied to such a purpose.

The following resolution, received from the Athlone Urban Council was, on the motion of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr Hill adopted 9½:- "That we call upon the present" "Government to introduce into Parliament a measure" "providing for the taxation of land values in Ireland," with a view to further facilitating the erection of houses in Urban areas which will tend to reduce local taxation"

An invitation to the Comal to attend, or be represented, at the unveiling of the Manchester Martyrs' Memorial at Tipperary on Sunday, 10th March 1907 was received from the Hon Secs And it was ordered that the Clerk attend at his own expense.

There was no Order Made upon the resolutions adopted by the County Councils' General Comal dealing with the question of Irish Railways, which was previously Considered by this Comal.

A resolution, received from the Oldford County Comal, Calling attention Calling attention to defects in the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898 by which Councils are precluded from applying any of their funds towards the Cost of appearing by Counsel before the Vice-Regal Commission on Irish Railways, Now sitting, was adopted. As was also one, passed by the same body, conveying to His Holiness Pius the Tenth, the feelings of sorrow and surprise with which they view recent acts of forcible interference by the Government of France, with the worship of God, the Authority of the Holy See, and the liberties of religious Communities, Sacred rights which are respected and Safeguarded even by Non-Christian Powers.

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A resolution, expressing Co-approval of the holding of an International Exhibition, passed by the Ard Fheis in 1904, was received from the General Secretary of the Gaelic League but it was Marked "Read".

The following resolution, received from the Cobh Harbour Commissioners, was on the proposal of Mr Williams, Seconded by Mr Murphy, unanimously adopted Viz:- That

"this Board call upon the entire body of Irish"
"Members of Parliament to oppose any withdrawal"
"of the American Mail Service from Queenstown,"
"and that the various Railway Companies, the Corporation,"
"the County Council, and other Public bodies interested,"
"be requested to co-operate with this Board in"
"resisting such withdrawal, and that the preparation"
"of a Memorandum, to be circulated, embodying the advantages"
"of Queenstown as a Transatlantic Mail and Passenger"
"Station be referred to a Committee of the whole Board."

A Statement, showing the advantages of Queenstown as an American Mail Station was also received.

The County Secretary of the Gaelic League, Rev. Mr Murphy, forwarded the following Copy of a resolution and it was unanimously adopted Viz:- That in all future appointments
"to Vacancies in offices under this Board preference must
"be given to applicants who can read, translate, and
"write the Irish language"

Proposed by Mr Hill and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That the following Members be elected on the Street Committee for the ensuing year Viz:- Messrs John Fanning, James Phelan, William G Williams, Joseph Roche and James G Dooley

Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr Hill "That the following be elected"
"a Finance Committee for the ensuing year Viz:- "
"Messrs David Murphy, James Holgraam, "
"Peter Murphy, John Kilcarn Jr. and James Bleam "
Passed Unanimously

The Clerk reported that the following tenants had not yet entered into a Bond for the payment of their rent although they had been repeatedly requested in writing to do so, and had asked for instructions as to what steps he should take in respect of them Viz:- Morris Regan Doyle William St. Richard Wicklam James Morris James Carroll and Joshua Allen whose surety, Mrs Oldmore, died lately

Ordered
"That these tenants be informed that if they do"
"not at once enter into a Bond the Councils Solicitors"
"will be instructed to obtain possession of the houses "
"occupied by them".

A Member referred to the dirty condition of the footpath opposite the Railway Company's premises at Rosherton and it was ordered that the Traffic Manager be written to and requested to have it properly cleansed, and kept in a clean condition.

Mr Dunphy drew attention to the inconvenience caused the public by not having the mail train stop at Palace East in the mornings, and after some discussion the Clerk was directed to write to the Secretary of the Railway Co and ask the Directors to kindly cause the train to stop at this Station in the mornings.

The Clerk stated that in accordance with an order made at a previous Meeting of the Council he engaged Mr James Walsh

South Ot at a fee of 10/= per day to attend at the level crossing at Rosbercon for three consecutive days and obtain the information as to the number of times the Railway gates were closed, and the number of passengers thereby detained, as required by the Board of Trade and the following is the totals for each day:-

1904
January 8th Gates were closed fifteen times, amounting to two hours and seven minutes, whilst the total number of passengers delayed were two hundred and nine.

Jany 9th. Gates closed eleven times totalling 44 minutes 35 passengers delayed

" 10th. gates closed eleven times totalling 47 minutes 45 passengers delayed.

Ordered

That this information be furnished to the Board of Trade, and that the engagement of Mr Walsh at the fee set out above be approved of.

This being the Finance meeting of the Council a number of bills were submitted for payment (see list at beginning of minutes) and on the motion of Mr Dunphy seconded by Mr Fanning they were ordered to be paid

The Town Surveyor reported that the scraping of the streets and outlying roads is not attended to regularly, and owing to the practice - which is a bad one - of spreading the road scrapings over the fresh metalling the streets and roads are in a dirty condition. The owners of manure heaps on the road to the well at Rosbercon Foundry should be noticed to have them removed

Ordered

That the owners of the manure heaps be written to, to have them removed.

The Meeting considered the practice of spreading the road scrapings over the fresh metalling an excellent one as it solidified the metalling, and prevented loose stones from being scattered around the streets.

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The following Notices of Motion were handed in to be moved at next Meeting as follows Viz:-

By Mr Williams:- That a suitable weigh Bridge for live Stock be erected in the Strathtown or other suitable place"

By Mr J D Kearns "That we the Members of the Kells Urban Council view with disapprobation the action of the '98 Committee in inviting Wm O'Brien to Kells and we appeal to the '98 committee in the interests of unity and harmony to cancel the invitation"

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 27th February 1907

John D Kearns

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Wednesday 27th February 1907

A meeting of The Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts connected therewith, to consider Notice of Motion served by Cor Williams to have a weighbridge for live stock erected at Irishtown, also Notice of Motion by Cor J D Dean asking the '98 Committee to cancel the appointment to Cor Wm O'Brien to attend unveiling Ceremony at Newross on St Patrick's day

Present Messrs John Dean J.P. Chairman presiding
James D Dean
Patrick Dunphy
Peter Dromphy
James G Dooley
James Phelan
Samuel Hill
Joseph Roche
Edward Kehoe
William G Williams
and
David Dromphy

The Minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurer's Authority for making Payments was signed by The Chairman, and Messrs Peter Dromphy, and Wm G. Williams, and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:- No 194 - Co Surveyor Petty Cash £2.19.0

The following Correspondence was read Viz:-
Letter from Secretary of Department of Agriculture, and Technical Instruction for Ireland, asking for the Names of the persons appointed as a Technical Instruction Committee for the District.
The Clerk stated that he had furnished the necessary information and there was no Order made.

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Mr James Connolly applied for permission to erect a pole scaffolding outside Mrs Doyle's house on Quay, and, on the proposal of Mr Roche, seconded by Mr Williams, it was unanimously granted.

Letter from D W & W^ds Railway Co in reply to a request of the Council asking that the Dover Day Mail Train should be stopped at Palace East for the convenience of passengers requiring to travel to New Ross, expressing the regret of the Directors that the request of the Council cannot be acceded to.

No Order Made.

A Quotation was received from The Typewriter Co for a Foolscap size Letter Book, Japanese Paper @ 13/-, good white Paper at 7/6.

Ordered

That a Letter Book & good white Paper at 7/6 be procured.

Letter from Dublin and South Eastern Railway Co acknowledging receipt of a letter addressed to them by the Council in reference to the dirty condition of the footpath opposite their premises at Roberton, and stating that the wet thick weather after the thaw was the cause of it, also that the matter has been kept right now.

No Order made.

A Circular letter was received from "The Irish Vehicle Owners Accident Co Ltd" drawing attention to their cheap rates for "Third Party" Insurance, and Outside Risk but there was no Order Made respecting it.

A letter was also received from Messrs Arthur Bray & Son re reference to "Insurance of Wages drawn from the Bank until paid to Employees," and quoting a premium of 9/- per £1000, to cover all risk, but the Meeting did not consider such an Insurance

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Necessary for the Council to effect.

The Board of Trade acknowledged receipt of the Council's letter of the 15th inst. which particulars of the level crossing at Roscrea on the 8th, 9th and 10th inst. were furnished, from the records of which the Board noted that some inconvenience appears to have been occasioned to foot passengers on the first of these days, being a Fair day, but that as advised, they do not consider that the information supplied would warrant the Board in calling for the erection of a footbridge at the crossing. They also desired to be informed how often Fair days recur at Roscrea

Ordered

That the Board of Trade be furnished with the information asked for.

A Circular letter was received from the Local Government Board dealing with the question of remuneration of Officers for their services in connection with the preparation of the Electors' lists but there was no Order made upon it.

A series of resolutions dealing with the Industrial Development of Ireland were received from the Secretary of the Association and they were approved of by the meeting.

A statement was received from the Secretary of the Irish Land Commission giving particulars of interest collected on purchase Money of Messrs Thorpe and Delany, from which it appeared that a sum of £18-1-3 was due by Mr Thorpe to 1st November 1906

Ordered

That the Land Commission be directed to take the necessary steps to collect this sum at once.

A letter was received from Mrs Sheehan, Bridge St. asking to have the Fish House re-opened for the sale of Salmon, as it would be an advantage to the fishermen and buyers to have it open

Ordered

That the Fish House be re-opened for the sale of Fish temporarily

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"and that the present weigh Mistress, Brigs Maker, get"
"Charge of it for the time being."

A proposal was received from Mrs Lawlor Rosbercon for heap of Manure, "next to the wall in Yard on Quay" at 10/6, and it was Ordered to be accepted provided this particular heap is not already sold.

Town Surveyor's Report

27th February 1907

Gentlemen

The Cart Shed is put up in the Yard, Henry Street, it will be necessary to enlarge the gateway to get in the sweeping machine; for this purpose one of the Jambs will have to be taken down and re-built to make the gate opening 10'. 6" to 11' wide. A new pair of Cheap wooden gates, such so high as the old ones will be required re-using the old hangings and fastenings after being overhauled and repaired. The beams and Masonry over present Opening to be taken down and replaced by the old beams that were removed from the large room Hotel sometime ago.

There is a heap of earth across the path in Cross Lane above the Church grounds which is quite in the way, wherever placed it there should be noticed to have it removed, if is allowed to remain there too long

Ordered

That the Surveyor be directed to prepare a Specification for the Necessary alteration in gateway of Henry St Yard to permit of entrance of sweeping Machine.

That Mr Cullen be asked to remove the heap of Clay or earth in Cross Lane - it being assumed that he is the owner of it.

The Street Inspector reported that he had the flag at Monks Lane removed and the water table made good, as ordered. He found the several streets and lanes of the town clear except

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that on some days there is an accumalation of mud on them
No Order made

The consideration of Mr Williams Notice of Motion relative to the erection of a Cattle weighing Machine was next taken up and after some discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr Dooley
"That a Cattle weighing Machine"
"be purchased and erected at a cost not exceeding £50 and"
"that a committee be appointed to ascertain the actual cost"
"and report upon it generally to next meeting of the Comail."
Passed Unanimously

The following were appointed members of the Committee Viz:- Messrs David Murphy, Wm G. Williams, Jas G Dooley and the Chairman, and it was arranged that a meeting of same be held on Monday, 4th March Inst at 11 Oclock.

Owing to the unceremonious unveiling of the '98 Monument on the previous Saturday evening Mr J B Skeam did not move the resolution of which he had given Notice, asking the '98 Committee to Cancel the invitation to Mr Wm O'Brien but instead proposed the following resolution which was seconded by Mr Murphy
Viz:- "That the Urban Comail do take Charge of this Monument"
"and appoint a suitable day for the unveiling of it, and"
"that some distinguished gentleman be appointed to unveil"
"it, say in the Month of June, and that a small committee"
"of three or four from this body be appointed to work out"
"all the details in connection with the celebration and fix"
"a suitable day and time for it."
Passed Unanimously

The following were appointed a committee in pursuance of the foregoing resolution Viz:- Messrs Peter Murphy, David Murphy, Joseph Roche, Wm G. Williams, J B Skeam, Patrick Dunphy, Edw Long and the Clerk.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 13th March 1907
John S Skeam

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Tuesday 5th March 1907

A meeting of the committee appointed to work out the details in connection with the proper unveiling of the '98 Monument was held this evening in the Office of the Urban Council.

Present Messrs Joseph Roche presiding
Peter Murphy
Wm G Williams
David Murphy
Edward Laing
& Griffin

The following letter was read:-

Offices Newbliss
5th March 1907

Dear Sir

re:- '98 Monument

Your query as to this matter raises a question which we should not like to definitely decide this evening, as we have not had sufficient time to consider it. Our present impression is that the Council have the power to take the control of and maintain the Monument, but we should prefer that they would do nothing further until they hear from us again, probably to-morrow or Thursday.

Yours faithfully
Esfer & Sechin

No Order Made

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and seconded by The Chairman

"That Mr Williams be elected"
"Hon Secretary and Hon Treasurer"

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and seconded by Mr Roche

"That Mr J B Deane be elected Chairman"
"of the Committee"

Passed Unanimously

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Reprs James Phelan, and James J Gorman, were added to the Members of the Council on the Committee.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

That the following persons be elected Members of the Committee, representing the different parishes. Viz:-

Roscrea	Mr James Farrell Ballyfoile
Glenmore	Mr John Mullaly
Rower	P. R. Stephenson
Kilbeacon and Aldamstown	James L Doyle
Rathmore & Cushinstown	J J O'Byrne
Templedegan	Michael Byrne
Sutton's Parish	Thomas Moroney
Suiteen	James Cahene
The Nook	Michael Glancy Dunguish
Ramsgrange	James Reville
Clougeen	Michael Hickey

Kilrossa and District Reprs John O'Sullivan, Joseph Flynn, William Murphy, Peter K O'Gorman, Michael Roice, John Murphy Solicitor, William McCabe, and a representative from St Thomas's Catholic Association, The Commercial Club and The Workingmen's Club.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered That the Secretary get the veiling on the figure secured better than it is.

The Meeting adjourned.

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Wednesday 13th March 1907

A Greeting of The Newbridge Urban District Comcil was held this day at 7.30 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and Other Acts Connected therewith, also to transact financial business, this being the dated Finance Greeting of the Comcil.

Present Mebrs John Sheams J.P. Chairman presiding
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Edward Kehoe
David Murphy
Wm G Williams
and
Samuel Hill

The Minutes of previous Greeting were read & Signed

The Treasurer's Authority for Making Payments was Signed by the Chairman and Mebrs Peter Murphy and Samuel Hill, and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued viz:-

No 198	James Connolly	£9.	18. 0
" 199	James Power & Son	9.	12. 4
" 200	Greaves & Co	39.	0. 4
" 201	George Wear	5.	3. 6
" 202	John J Browne	36.	8. 10
" 203	James Barron	1.	17. 2
" 204	Dr Ffrm	8.	6. 8
" 205	Secretary Co Comcil	216.	14. 3
" 206	Dr Ffrm Petty Cash	29.	17. 5
" 207	Gas Co	96.	9. 0
" 208	John J Browne	8.	14. 3
" 209	Jo Harney & Co	3.	15. 0
" 210	Technical Instruction Committee	3.	1. 11
" 211	Laurence McGrath	2.	11. 0
" 212	Walter Newberry	1.	2. 8
" 213	John Dolein	3.	2. 6

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214 "	Cashier Bank of Ireland	£19-0-0
215 "	Doran Bros.	2.7.2
216 —	Matthew Hutchinson	13.3
217 —	Board of Guardians	£2.8.2
218 —	Thomas Byrne	4.6.8
219 —	Mallen Bros	£2.6
220 —	Jonas Hartnick	11.3
221 —	John Keogh	£5.3
222 —	Margaret Kennedy	10.0

The following Correspondence was dealt with

Letter from The Irish Land Commission stating that the Collection of arrears on Interest on purchase money, due by Mr Thorpe, was referred to the local Solicitor for the County.

No Order made

Letter from Mrs Carr Priory St. asking for a refund of "at least five years rates" on a yard in Priory St which has been vacant for sometime.

Ordered

That the consideration of this letter be referred to the Finance Committee.

A Circular letter was received from The Fire Ark and General Insurance Company Ltd., drawing attention to to the advantages offered by them, and soliciting some of the Insurance business of the Council, but there

Mr George Doran applied for a renewal of License for his gunpowder store situate at Maiden Lane, and also a renewal of his Registered premises situate in North St for the Sale of gunpowder and Fixed explosives, and on the proposal of Mr Williams seconded by Mr David Murphy both were granted.

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Letter from Secretary of Technical Instruction Committee as follows:- "At the request of the Technical Department I beg to apply to your Council for payment to my Committee before the 31st inst. of the balance of Technical Rate for the year ending 31st March 1907.

"I can understand the impossibility of your forecasting before all the rate is in the exact balance that will be due. But a few shillings either way would matter either to the Council or the Committee, so I would ask your Council to kindly pay over such a sum as with that already remitted will bring the two Societies equal to last years total contribution.

I am led to believe that this is what is done in most places".

As the Council sometime ago received a letter from the Local Government Board stating that they might pay over, say Quarterly, to the Technical Instruction Committee such portion of the Technical Rate as they had actually Collected, they could do, without the approval of the approval of the Local Gov. Board comply with the request contained in the foregoing letter.

Circular Letter of Instructions received from Commissioner of Valuation forwarding Valuation Lists.
No Order Made.

A recommendation signed by Very Revd Canon Kavanagh, and Robert Quinn, was received on behalf of Mrs Julia Barron for the use of one of the rooms in Trinity Hospital and it was Ordered to be filed with all the other applications until there would be a vacancy in the Hospital

An application was received from the Hon Secretaries of the International Exhibition for the loan of the old Corporate Maces, Manuscripts, &c for exhibition purposes. The greatest possible care will be taken of the objects lent, and the Committee will make

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arrangements for their collection and return, and they will also be insured against every risk in such sum as the owner may name.

Ordered

That the consideration of this letter be adjourned to next meeting the Members of the Council to be summoned to consider it.

A proposal was received from Mr John Grace for one heap of manure at East end of yard on Quay at 13/6, and same was ordered to be accepted if the particular heap is mould.

Mr Peter Dempsey wrote stating that he would cease to be security for Mrs Johnson from this date and it was Ordered that she would get another surety instead of Mr Dempsey.

Report of Weighbridge Committee

Your Committee met on Monday the 11th inst. and examined prices of weighbridge received from Messrs Pooley & Co and Avery & Co which we beg to submit. We inspected proposed site of erection at Irishtown, and recommend, if the Council decide upon a machine, that it be erected in open space at Irishtown, adjoining Mrs Galavin's.

John J Deane
William J Williams

The Council examined the Catalogues, and Price lists, received from Messrs Pooley & Co, and Avery & Co, during which it was stated that the Committee particularly selected one of Pooley's No in their Catalogue, 537, platform 8-0 x 3-6 weighing Capacity 2½ Tons, but it seemed to be the feeling of the Members present that local traders should be afforded an opportunity of tendering for the supply.

After some discussion it was ——

Proposed by Dr Williams and
Seconded by Dr Peter Dempsey

That a live stock weighbridge be purchased by the Council, and that same be one manufactured by Henry Pooley & Son Ltd and numbered 534 in their Catalogue with platform 8-6 X 3-6, weighing capacity 25 Tons, and that local traders be invited to tender for to supply.

Prop'd Unanimously

Town Surveyor's Report

Gent.

Herewith I submit Specification for enlarging the gateway to yard in Henry St, and putting up new pair of gates.

When openings are made for laying pipes &c in the streets grave care should be taken that the surface is properly restored. An opening has recently been made in Conduit Lane and the surface has been badly restored. There is a cartload or so of rubbish outside the Convent garden gate, lower Michael St, which should not be allowed on the street as long as it is.

Thos Byrne

Ordered

That tenders be invited for enlarging & gateway & yard in Henry St in accordance with Town Surveyor's Specification.

That the surface of the street be properly restored by being Metalled.

That the Foreman have the cartload of rubbish removed from Michael St.

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Report of Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met this day and recommend the payment of undermentioned accounts
(See list at Commencement of Minute)
The Committee have adopted Estimate of Poor Rate for Year ending 31st March 1908.

John T Kearns
and
Peter Murphy

Proposed by Mr Hill and
Seconded by Mr Kehoe
That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 27th March 1907

John T Kearns

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Wednesday 27th March 1907

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, to consider and adopt Estimate of Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1908, an application from the Secretaries of the Irish International Exhibition for the loan of the maces and old Records of the Council; and tenders for the supply and erection of a cattle weighbridge.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn Chairman
Joseph Roche
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Edward Kehoe
Samuel Hill
David Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
Wm. G. Williams
John and Meehan

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Wm. G. Williams and Peter Murphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued viz:-

No 223 M. J. Flinn (Petty Cash) £22 · 10 · 8

Paying Orders were received from the Chief Secretary and ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council Viz:-

Probate Duty	£ 19 ·	10 · 0
Sanitary Salaries	20 ·	10 · 0

Mr Williams drew attention to the inconvenience caused owners of land through which the pipe line runs by not having it marked out so that they might till the remaining portion of the field.

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Ordered That Messrs Colfer & Lyethin have the necessary steps taken, by directing the Contractor or otherwise, to have particular portion of ground along the line of pipe marked out at once so that occupiers of land may be able to till the undisturbed portion of each field.

A notice of appeal received from the Gas Co against the increase in assessment was submitted to the meeting and ordered to be forwarded to the Commissioner of Valuation.

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

General Accident Fire & Life Assurance,
Perth, 9/3/07.

Dear Sir,

Workmen's Compensation Act 1906.
Policy No W. J. 35543.

As you are doubtless aware the new Act has imposed very heavy additional responsibilities upon Employers of Labour, but I have pleasure in informing you that notwithstanding this my Directors have decided, pending experience of the working of the new Act, to cover your risk at the rate of premium now paid by you for the Joint Insurance which you have with our Company. You will thus be relieved of anxiety as to the rearrangement of your Insurance, as your existing Policy will continue undisturbed, except that the Joint Benefits Section will be cancelled as from 1st July, when the new Act will come into force and the benefits allowed to the workmen covering practically every accident, and being far in excess of the present Joint Benefits, will be covered by the Policy. In order to complete the arrangement will you kindly return the enclosed form duly signed, when an endorsement will be sent you to attach to your policy. The following figures show what is covered at present by your Policy and what will be covered, and I am sure you will appreciate the advantages which the Company are now offering

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to its old assurers.

Joint Policy	Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906
Death – One years Wages (limited to £100)	Death – Three year's wages (minimum £150 and maximum £300) except where no dependants are left).
Total Disability – Half-wages (limited to 20/- weekly and to 26 weeks).	Total Disability – Half-wages for the whole term of life (limited to 20/- weekly).

Yours faithfully,
F. Norie Miller.
General Manager and Secretary.

The following is a copy of the form referred to

To the Directors of the General Accident Fire and Life Assurance Corporation Limited Perth.

Gentlemen,

Policy No W. J. 35543

We hereby agree that on and after 1st July 1907, the Joint Benefits Section of our Policy as above shall be inoperative, and that in substitution therefore the Policy shall be extended to cover our liability under the Workmen's compensation Act 1906.

John S. Hearn
Chairman of Urban Council,
New Ross, 27/3/'07.

Copy of Document signed at meeting on 27/3/07

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy

That the necessary document be signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

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Letters were received from Messrs Keenan & Sons Ltd., Fishamble St. Dublin, and E. Manisty & Co Ltd Dundalk, asking for some particulars respecting the Weighbridge which the Council require, as they were anxious to quote for it. The latter firm stated that their weighbridges are entirely Irish Manufacture.

Tenders were also received at this meeting for the supply of one manufactured by Messrs Pooley & Co, as already selected by the Council, and they were sealed up by the Chairman, and an order made that the required particulars be furnished to Messrs Keenan & Sons and Manisty & Co and the matter refered back again to the Committee who had charge of it, and should the present selection be not altered the tenders will be considered at next meeting.

A letter was received from the Secretary of the Amalgamated Society of Cabinet Makers Manchester, asking the Council to use their influence with William Scanlon to get him to send some tools and a tool chest to W. Kendrick, who before he left town was lodging with Scanlon.

The latter was called before the meeting and in reply to the Chairman stated that Kendrick owed him 30/= for board and lodging before he left, and he would not send the tools until this amount, and storage on the articles would be paid, and the Clerk was directed to inform the Secretary accordingly.

A proposal was received from Maurice Whelan of 32/= for one heap of manure in yard on Quay and being considered insufficient was not accepted, but an order was made that all the heaps of manure in the yard be advertised for sale and the dimensions of each given.

A certificate was received from Dr. Oconnor that James Keilthy was suffering from Influenza and would not be fit to work for five days and it was ordered that he be paid his wages in full during his illness.

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March 13th 1907.

Dear Sir,

I wish to obtain from you a certificate of my age. This certificate should be under the seal of the Municipality and be signed by the Clerk. You will please find $1.00 enclosed as your fee.

My name is Samuel Armstrong and I think I was born on February 24th, 1844 in the Town of NewRoss in the County of Wexford but perhaps it was Old Ross. My fathers name was Samuel Armstrong and my Mothers Harriett Hughes. They are both dead twenty-five years ago, and our Family Bible was burned before their death so I am unable to find my exact age. We came to this country in 1847 or 48 when I was about 4 years old and I have often heard father speak of Humphrey James as the Parish Clerk so you may be a relative. I am of the impression that all fathers people left Ireland soon after we did. I will be very pleased to hear from you at your earliest convenience with the Certificate and any information you may gather as to any of our relatives there.

Thanking you in anticipation of an early reply, I am,

Yours very truly,

S. Armstrong.

Sheriff.

The meeting suggested that the Clerk communicate with the Revd Mr Gibson the Rectory, Adamstown, and the Revd Mr Cox and ask them to have a search made of the Registers to ascertain if his name was entered on them.

The Estimate of Poor Rate for Financial year ending 31st March 1908 was considered by the meeting and the following resolution passed in reference to it Viz:-

Proposed by W. G. Williams and

Seconded by Peter Murphy

"That the Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate

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for the service of the financial year ending 31st March 1908, now before us be adopted, and that he publish the necessary notice of our intention to make a poor rate, of 2/10 in the £, and take the necessary steps to enable said rate, to be made".

Passed Unanimously

It was also ordered that a meeting of the Street Committee be held on following day to consider matters in connection with Street maintenence.

A tender was received from Mr Connolly of £10 . 10 . 0 for widening entrance gate of yard of Henry St but it was adjourned and an order made directing the Town Surveyor to send in an Estimate of the cost of this work.

The application from the Hon Secretaries of the International Exhibition for the loan of the old maces, minute books and charters of the old Corporation of NewRoss, the property of the Council, which was adjourned from last meeting, that the members might receive notice of it was next considered and the following resolution was
Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Samuel Hill

"That the maces, charters and old minute books be lent to the International Exhibition on condition that they be insured for whatever sum the Council shall decide upon, and a personal guarantee given that they will be returned safely, also that any expense incurred in conveying them to the Exhibition and back will be paid by the Committee".

Passed Mr David Murphy dissenting.

Mr Williams drew attention to the importance of having some means devised of attracting tourists to NewRoss, or of drawing attention to the many historical ruins in its vicinity and suggested that a prize be offered for the best essay descriptive of them.

The following Committee was appointed to consider what

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can be done in the direction indicated Messrs Williams, Roche, Peter Murphy, David Murphy, and the Chairman, and the Clerk was directed to ascertain from the Town Clerk of Wexford whether the Council can legally expend money for such a purpose.

The following Notice of Motions were handed in by Mr Wm G. Williams and Mr Patrick Dunphy.

By Mr Williams – On this night fortnight I will propose that the resolution on the books re-the weighing machine be rescinded and that any other makers machine offering will be considered.

By Mr Dunphy – at next meeting of the Council I will propose that our meetings be held on Tuesday evenings instead of Wednesday.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 10th April 1907.

John J Hearn

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Wednesday 10th April 1907

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held this day at 6·30 o'clock P.M. to transact business of the Committee for the stated Finance meeting of the Council, also to consider abstracts of Uncollected Poor Rates and Town Rates for year ending 31st March 1907.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
Peter and Murphy

The Collectors Browne and Barron were also in attendance

The Committee examined abstracts of uncollected Poor Rate and Town Rate and recommended that sums amounting to £53·6·11 of Town Rate be carried forward and sums amounting to 65·4·7, be cancelled, also that £3·3·7 of Poor Rate be carried forward and £13·14·3½ be cancelled.

They also examined a number of bills which were submitted to them, and after recommending payment to some of them, adjourned

J. S. Hearn

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Wednesday 10th April 1907

A Quarterly meeting of the Council was held this day at 4. o'clock P.M. to consider the Town Surveyor's Annual Estimate, and Quarterly Report, transact Quarterly meeting business, and consider following Notice of motion served by Mr Hand Viz:- "That a flagged "footpath be constructed at the South side of Cross Lane, in "continuation of the existing one, from Session House to opposite "the entrance to new Parish Church, also a cement water "channel, to cost about £40.0.0".

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Edward Kehoe
Samuel Hill
David Murphy
Joseph Roche
and
Patrick Dunphy

The minutes of last Quarterly meeting were read and signed

The following report of the Town Surveyor who was present, was also read:-

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The quantity of metalling returned as having been spread during the quarter on the roads and streets together with the amount put out up to 31st December 1906, makes for the year about $\frac{2}{3}$ of the supply provided for the year's maintenance.

A large quantity of the stones broken during the quarter were too large and therefore wasteful and unfit to make a satisfactory surface.

Practically none of the back streets and lanes have had any repairs worth mentioning done to them during the year and some of the principal streets not sufficient. On the other hand Rosbercon which contributes about $\frac{1}{20}$ of the rates had something like one-fifth of the whole rates for road maintenance expended on it. Of the several boatloads of gravel got in none of the footpaths

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requiring it got any except the one in Rosbercon leading to the bounds at Baurjames Lane.

If the bouncil expend the money raised for road maintenance without any regard for the provisions made in the Annual Estimate for the proper up-keep of the district roads. I dont think they are acting fairly to the public.

I consider there is work not done to the amount of £130, which may be added to this years estimate or deal with as you consider best.

Aby Estimate for the year ending 31st Aarch 1908, is the same as last years Viz:- £496-11-9 for the same quantity of material.

New Works

Footpath, South side Cross Lane	£40-0-0
Rebuilding breaches in the protecting wall of the Waterford road, say ——	10-0-0
Two new channel gratings, South side of Irishtown, and connecting pipes to main sewer, one in Upper Aary St, South side. ——	13-0-0
Contingincies — say —	30-0-0

Thomas Byrne,
5th april 1907.

In connection with the foregoing report the following Notice of Aotion was read

New Ross,
Aareh 16th 1907.

I beg to give notice that I will propose at next Quarterly meeting of the Council to be held on the 10th april 1907 that a flagged footpath be constructed at the South side of Cross Lane, in continuation of the existing one from Session House to opposite the entrance to new Parish Church, also a cement water-channel, to cost about £40-0-0.

John Hand

A discussion took place respecting the new footpath in Cross Lane,

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some members being of opinion that the expenditure was not absolutely necessary at present, but it was
Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Hill
"That a new footpath be constructed at South side of Cross Lane at a cost not exceeding £40".

On a poll been taken there voted
For - Messrs Hand, Dunphy, Kehoe, Hill, David Murphy and Peter Murphy 6
against - Messrs Roche and the Chairman 2

The resolution was declared passed. It was suggested that a concrete footpath be constructed instead of a flagged as it would be considerably cheaper, the Surveyor stating that it would be about £10 cheaper than a flagged one and eventually it was decided to invite tenders for construction of either, the matter as to which should be constructed to be decided at the adjourned Quarterly meeting which it was agreed to hold on Wednesday 24th Inst, at 4 o'clock, the Clerk to issue advertisements inviting Tenders for same and the Surveyor to prepare the necessary specification for flagged and concrete footpath.

It was ordered that the Foreman have the footpath from Mr Jones's gate at Newtown to Boundary of Urban District, gravelled.

It was also ordered that the Street Committee and the Surveyor meet and consider how the most suitable metalling for Bewley St, and Irishtown can be obtained.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Roche
"That the breaches in the protecting wall in the Rosbercon road be repaired".
Passed Unanimously

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It was agreed to defer the channel gratings at Irishtown until next Quarterly meeting.

Proposed by Mr Hill and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy

That the Quarterly Report and Annual Estimate of the Town Surveyor be adopted and approved of with the exception of the channel gratings referred to in same.

Passed Unanimously

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 24th April at 4-oclock P.M.

Samuel Hill

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New Ross Wednesday 10th April 1907

A meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith, also to consider the following Notices of Motion Viz:-

Served by Mr Dempsey:- "That in future the meetings "of the Council be held on Tuesday instead of Wednesday"

By Mr. Williams:- "That the resolution on the books "re the weighing machine be rescinded and other "makers machine offering will be considered".

Present Drs Mrs John S Ryan J.P. Chairman
David Murphy
John Hurd
Samuel Hill
Edward Kehoe
Peter Murphy
Joseph Rocke
and Patrick Dempsey

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurer's Authority for Making was signed by the Chairman and Mrs. Hill and Murphy, and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 1 -	James Power Heo	£	8. 13. 3
" 2 "	Joseph Freeman		1. 1. 6
" 3 "	Petty Cash		19. 15. 6
" 4.	James Barron		13. 7. 3
" 5 "	Do Do		8. 6. 8
" 6 "	Same		6. 5. 0
" 7 "	Same		2. 11. 3
" 8 "	Colfer Kathin		37. 3. 7
" 9 "	Mrs Do Rocke		14. 8. 0

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10 —	Thomas Byrne	£5.1.8
11 —	Technical Instruction Committee	11.1.10
12 —	W. T. Deane	2.2.0
13 —	Barlock Typewriter Co	7.6
14 —	Mrs Hennessy	17.0
15 —	Mrs Cosgrave	1.15.0
16 —	John J Browne	9.3.10

A letter was received from the Hon Secretaries of the Irish International Exhibition thanking the Council for their kindness in promising the loan of the old Corporate Maces and agreeing to insure them for any sums the Council might decide upon and to pay any expenses incurred in packing and conveyance to the Exhibition and back to Dublin, but expressing regret that an actual personal guarantee could not be given.

Mr David Murphy drew attention to a resolution passed sometime ago by the Council expressing preference to a "National" instead of an "International" Exhibition, and contending that until that resolution was rescinded they had no power to lend the Maces, or Charters, as by doing so they were supporting an International one, but the Meeting decided that the resolution referred to had no bearing upon the present application, and it was

Ordered

That the four Minute books be insured for £500 each two Maces £300, and £200 and two Charters £250 each, and that they be insured from the time they leave the Tholsel, or are delivered on the train, until received back here, the expense of Conveyance to and from Dublin to be borne by the Committee, and that the Clerk proceed to Dublin with them and deliver them up to the Hon Secretary of the Historical Section and obtain a receipt for each article when checked by him, the Clerk's travelling expenses to be paid by the Exhibition Committee.

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A letter was received from Messrs Dransfield and Co Dundalk stating that the only size weighing Machine they Manufacture is 5', 5½" x 5'- 2½", which size would not suit the requirements of the Council.

The Clerk stated that he had written to Messrs Keenan and Sons asking them to quote for weighing Machine Same as Pooley's No 534 but had not received a reply.

The tenders received from traders in town at last Meeting and which had been sealed up by the Chairman in the meantime, were considered and it was found that the following prices of the different persons viz:-

Matthew Hutchinson who tendered at		£29.0.0
Dwyer Bros	" " "	£25.9.6
Patrick Hunt	" " "	£26.19.0
Messrs Bryan and Hennessy	" "	£26.4.6

were higher than that offered by the Manufacturers, and the original resolution agreeing to purchase from Messrs Pooley on the terms of their letter of 5th March, was allowed to stand.

Tenders were also received for the supply of two dozen of fine brushes, that of Messrs Dwyer Bros for that quantity, Same as sample No 2 @ 15/6 per doz, was, on the proposal of Mr Roche, seconded by Mr Hill accepted.

Mr Maurice Whelan tendered for the purchase of two heaps of Manure in Yard at 15/- and 13/-; also for the large heap at 41/-, and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by the Chairman both tenders were unanimously accepted.

A letter was also received from the Hon Secretary of the Amalgamated Union of Cabinet Makers thanking the Council for their intervention in reference to the claim of one of their Members on Wm Scanlon for tools.

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A letter was received from the Commissioner of Valuation asking asking to have any Notices of Appeal in connection with the revised Valuation Lists sent to him and the Clerk reported that they had already been forwarded.

The Clerk stated that he gave permission to the steward of the Good Shepherd Convent (John Cullen) to draw nine loads of stones from the Comal's Quarry in John St. as they were wanting in a hurry, on condition that whatever price the Comal would fix would be paid for them and he asked to have a price named so that he might apply for payment of it.

Ordered

That 1/= per load be charged for them.

The Town Surveyor reported that the Cost of altering the gateway in Henry St would be about £6.10.0.

He would recommend for the Channel Grating in Bridge St and many others through the town, that the Cleaning of them be more regularly attended to. There is an outlet for surface water at School Roberton into Railway field, which is seldom attended to, the Consequence is, there is a furrow worn in the centre of the street.

There is a waste pipe under footway which is completely Choked just beyond Chilcott Mill. This Relieve is Choked by mud inside Mr Harris wall. I reported before on this matter but it was not attended to. I believe it is the duty of the owner of the ground to keep outlet for drainage opened.

I am keeping a look after the gable of Mrs Molloy's house.

Ordered

That the attention of Mr Hearn be directed to waste pipe which is Choked by mud in his field.

That the foreman be directed to keep the outlet for surface water at School Roberton, cleaned regularly.

On referring to Mr Connolly's tender for widening

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of entrance gate into Derry Ch Yard, received at last meeting, it was found that it amounted to £10-10-0 and as this was considered too high, it was ordered that tenders be invited again.

The Rent Collector reported that the weekly tenants are paying their rents very well the arrears outstanding for year ended the 31st March 1907 is £11-8-11.

Patrick Kehoe Fair Gate requires a new grate in the kitchen, and Laurence Morrissey to have kitchen range repaired.

Ordered

That the matter of repairs mentioned in this report be referred to the Street Committee

The Finance Committee recommended payment of a number of accounts (see list at commencement of Minutes) and reported that they examined Abstract of Uncollected Poor Rate and Town Rate and recommended that sums amounting to £53-6-11 of Town Rate be carried forward and sums amounting to £65-7-7 be cancelled, also that £3-3-7 of Poor Rate be carried forward and £13-14-3½ be cancelled. We regret to observe that the Town Rate Collector has not satisfactorily closed his collection, a large amount being left outstanding which with reasonable energy could have been collected.

John Shearn
Peter Dempsey

The Abstracts of uncollected Rates referred to were submitted to the Meeting and it was

Proposed by Mr Dempsey and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That the report of the Finance "
"Committee be adopted, the payments recommended made, "
"and the respective amounts of Poor Rate and Town Rate cancelled"
"and Carried forward

Passed Unanimously

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The consideration of Bro Dunphy's "Notice of Motion" respecting the altering of the day of Meeting was next taken up and after some Conversation, the following resolution was Proposed by Bro Dunphy and Seconded by Bro Rehde

That the resolution of the Comal fixing Wednesday as the day upon which Meetings of the Council are to be held be rescinded and that in future they be held on Tuesday

Passed Unanimously

Bro Roche referred at length to the heroic action of Bro Patrick Dooley of Garrawibely in rescuing a boy named Bolan from drowning recently, and some other Members having joined in praising his action the following resolution was

Proposed by Bro Roche and
Seconded by Bro David Murphy "That we, the Directors"
"of the District Comal beg to direct the attention of the "
"Royal Humane Society to the heroic action of Bro Patrick "
"Dooley, Garrawibely, Directors, in plunging into the river "
"Barrow at imminent peril to his life and rescuing "
"a boy from drowning on the 27th March, this being "
"the eleventh person he has rescued from a watery "
"grave during his lifetime, and we respectfully "
"but earnestly request the Society to award him "
"their gold Medal in recognition of his bravery in "
"saving so many lives, and that the seal of the "
"Comal be attached to this resolution"

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk was directed any information he could from Bro Dooley and forward it to the Society with the above resolution

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 23rd April 1904

John S Hearn

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Tuesday 23rd April 1907

A meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts incorporated therewith, also to consider advisability of having office and Shed painted.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman presiding
David Dempsey
John Hand
Edward Kehoe
and
Samuel Hill

The Minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurer's Authority for making payment was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Samuel Hill and Edwd Kehoe and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued viz:- Petty Cash £15.18.3
" Jeremiah Dempsey B.E. £12.0.0

It having been stated that Mrs Kelly, Mr Williams Mother in law had died since last meeting the following resolution was Proposed by Mr David Dempsey and Seconded by Mr Hill viz:-

"That we Tender to Mr Williams, a"
"respected Member of our Council, and to Mrs Williams and"
"their immediate relatives and friends, our sincere sympathy"
"and condolence on the death of her dear Mother, whose"
"kindly disposition and many good qualities endeared"
"to all who had the pleasure of her acequaintance"

Proposed Unanimously

A letter was received from Mr James Connolly Priory St in which he asked for permission to erect a scaffolding outside Mrs Kelly's South St and it was Ordered that it be granted

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The following Correspondence was read:-

Great Western Railway

London

30th April 1904

Dear Sir

With reference to the interview which I had the pleasure of having with Your Chairman Dr J. Deane J.P. and yourself this morning when I explained the efforts made by my Company to arrange through Passenger fares via Rosslare from Newross and other places on the Dublin & South Eastern Railway. We are anxious to put these into Operation as early as possible in time for the coming season's travel which is expected to be heavy.

I beg to enclose a copy of our application to the Railway and Canal Commissioners and shall be much obliged if Your Council will kindly assist by passing a resolution to the Commissioners in favour of granting our request, and also authorize Your Chairman, or other Member of the Council, to give evidence if necessary in support of same. The case will be heard in Dublin

Your Obedient Servant

Wm. Reddoch

English & Irish Traffic Representative

Copy of the application referred to was also received.

Ordered

That the Consideration of the foregoing letter be adjourned to next Meeting, the Members of the Council to be summoned to consider it.

The Secretary Royal Humane Society wrote acknowledging Copy of the Council's resolution, asking to have the gold Medal of the Society awarded to Mr Dooley, and enclosing a Form to be filled in with the particulars of the case, and the Clerk was directed to attend to it as soon as possible.

The Commissioner of Valuation acknowledged receipt of Appeal of Gas Co against increase of Assessement on their premises.

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Messrs Dooley & Co wrote thanking the Council for their order for Cattle weighing Machine which they will have sent on with all speed. They also enclosed plan of foundations

Ordered

That the matter be referred to the weighbridge Committee Consisting of Messrs Dooley, Williams, David Murphy, and the Chairman, and that they be empowered to select the site upon which it is to be erected, and get the foundation built.

A Copy of the Notice to Public Authorities as to their obligations under the Census of Production Act 1906 was received and Ordered to be filed for future reference.

A letter was received from the Hon Secretary of the Historical Section of the Irish Exhibition thanking the Council for the loan of the two Maces and Charter which they were having insured for £750.

It was agreed to adjourn this Meeting to Tuesday next 30th inst, for the purpose of making the Poor Rate, and transacting Ordinary business, as three weeks would intervene between this and the second Tuesday in May, the ordinary next Meeting day. Accordingly

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 30th April 1907

John L Hearn

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Wednesday 24th April 1907

An adjourned Quarterly meeting of the Council was held this day at 7.30 Oclock P.M. to Consider Tenders for Construction of Footpath at Crossane, fix date of Quarterly Meetings for ensuing year and arrange for providing limestones for street metalling.

Present Messrs Samuel Abel presiding
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Edward Kehoe
and
Joseph Roche

The Clerk stated that advertisements were not issued inviting Tenders for construction of footpath in Crossane, or repairs to wall at Roberson, as the Specifications for these works were not received from the Town Surveyor until Yesterday morning when it was too late to issue advertisements inviting Tenders for this Meeting.

The Specifications were considered carefully by the Meeting and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, seconded by Mr Kehoe were approved of, and adopted.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Kehoe

That the Quarterly Meetings of the Council for financial year ending 31st March 1908, be held on the second Tuesday in the months of July, and October 1907, and January and April 1908

Passed Unanimously

It was agreed to adjourn the Meeting to Tuesday 30th Inst. at 7 Oclock for the purpose of receiving Tenders for the carrying out of both these works, the Clerk to issue advertisements in the meantime. The question of providing Metalling was also adjourned to Next Meeting

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 30th April 1907

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Tuesday 30th April 1907

An adjourned Quarterly meeting of the Council was held this day at 7 O'Clock P.M. to consider Tenders for Construction of footpath in Cross Lane and repairs to protecting wall at Rosbercon and arrange for supply of limestones for ensuing year.

Present Messrs John J. Dean J.P. Chairman presiding
Peter Dempsey
John Hand
and
Edward Kehoe

Tenders were received for repairs to wall at Rosbercon (west side) from Michael Cullen Quarryst. and Robert Power of Shanbough. The former tendered at £9.10.0 and offered John Haulon of Inishtown and Martin Nolan Quarryst as Sureties, and the latter at £8.15.0 and offered John Hendrick and Richard Forrestal of Shanbough as sureties.

Both these tenders were considered too high and the meeting decided not to accept either.

There was no tender received for the Construction of the footpath in Crosslane, and this, as well as the consideration of repairs to wall at Rosbercon, was adjourned to next Ordinary meeting of the Council.

In reference to providing limestones for street Metalling for ensuing year it was, after some discussion, Ordered that the Town Surveyor furnish at once to the Clerk the number of Tons of limestones which will be required for the Maintenance of the streets for Year ending 31st March 1908, in Addition to the quantity already in the depots, that tenders may be invited for the supply of same by next Meeting of the Council.

It was also Ordered that the Clerk invite tenders for the supply of same, as soon as the surveyor furnishes him with

the quantity which will be required, from the Proprietors George Nolan, and Jeremiah Donovan, Waterford, and Mrs Roche of Ballyanne, the tenders to be considered at next ordinary meeting of the Council, after which

The meeting adjourned.

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Tuesday 30th April 1907

An adjourned meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, and consider a letter received from the Great Western Railway Co of England asking the Council to pass a resolution in favour of through passenger fares between Stations on their line and the Dublin and South Eastern of Ireland, and appoint a delegate to give evidence relative to same; to make a Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1908, and sign Collector's Warrants for collection of same, consider Estimate of Town Rate for same year and adopt it if deemed advisable, also advisability of having office to painted.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
John Hand
David Murphy
Edward Kehoe
Samuel Hill
Patrick and Dunphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Patrick Dunphy and Peter Murphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz :-

No 19 M. J. Flinn (Petty Cash) £ 6 . 18 . 9

The following correspondence was read Viz :-

14 Quay St,
New Ross, 30-4-1907.

Dear Mr Flinn,

Will you please convey to your Council the sincere thanks of Mrs Williams and myself for their kind

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expression of sympathy and condolence with us in our bereavement as conveyed in the resolution which I duly received from you.

I must also add out thanks to you for your kind expression of personal sympathy.

Iam, Dear Mr Flinn,
Yours very truly,
Wm Geo Williams.

No order made

A proposal of £1..1..0 was received from Mr Redmond Verosland, for heap of manure in yard, and it was ordered to be accepted.

A proposal was also received from Mr George Moran North St, for heap of road scrapings on School House road, at 12/6, and it was accepted.

31 a Bachelors Walk,
Dublin, 27th april 1907.

Dear Sir,

We have dispatched per Gt. S. W. Rly, carriage paid 1 Champion Farmer Weighbridge addressed to you at Newross. When you have the foundations ready kindly advise us and we will send our man to fit up the machine, of course you will give us a day or two notice when you want our mechanic so that we may be able to make arrangements.

We herewith enclose you invoice of the machine.

Yours faithfully,
H. Dooley & Son Ltd.
John S. Smallman.

M. J. Flinn Esq

The Chairman reported that the Committee consisting of Messrs Williams, Dooley and himself selected the place at Irishtown where the weighing machine is to be fixed, and it was now ordered that the Clerk employ a mason, and that the Town Surveyor give the mason the necessary instructions for the proper building of the foundation, in accordance with

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the plan of the weighbridge to be erected at Irishtown and see that the work is properly carried out.

The Clerk stated that the Surveyor had not yet prepared the Specification for the painting of the Tholsel and Council Office, as directed at last meeting, and the following were now appointed a Committee to decide on the necessary work to be done, the Town Surveyor to prepare a Specification in accordance with the instructions already given him; the Committee to invite Tenders which are to be considered at next meeting.

It was also ordered that the Contractor be required to provide a larger frame to the cart he is using and a smart horse.

A member drew attention to the inconvenience caused to persons attending the fair of New Ross owing to the great delay in boxing cattle at the railway station and it was ordered that the Clerk direct the attention of the Traffic Manager to the matter, and request that he have it remedied.

Report of Finance Committee

We have examined the Town Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate for year ending 31st March 1908, amounting to 4/= in the £, and recommend its adoption by the Council, this is 3d in the £ less than last year.

Signed

John S. Hearn
Peter Murphy
David Murphy

Proposed by Mr Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr Kehoe

That the Finance Committee report be adopted.

Passed Unanimously

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The Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1908. was submitted to the meeting and considered after which the following resolution was
Proposed by Mr Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr Kehoe

"That the Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate now before us be adopted, and that he publish the necessary notice of our intention to make a Town Rate of 4/-. in the £, and take the necessary steps to enable said rate, to be made.

Passed Unanimously

The meeting next proceeded to make a Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1908, and the following resolution was
Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Patrick Dunphy

"That we raise the sum of £1228 - 7 - 6, as. and for Poor Rate, and for the purpose aforesaid we make a Poor Rate of 2/10 in the £ for the financial year ending 31st March 1908, on the property situate within the Urban District of NewRoss pursuant to the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898. and other Acts incorporated therewith, and that same be collected in two moieties, the first one on or before the 30th September 1907, and the second one on or before the 31st March 1908. That Public Notice be given of said rates having been made by printed placards duly posted".

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by David Murphy and
Seconded by Patrick Dunphy

"That the Presiding Chairman and two members of the Council, sign the Poor Rate books, and the resolution making the Poor Rate endorsed thereon, and the adoption of the Poor Rate, and the Collector's Warrant attached thereto, and affix the Common Seal of the Council to said Poor Rate books and documents".

Passed Unanimously

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In accordance with the foregoing resolution the Poor Rate Books were duly signed and Sealed.

As the resolution passed at last meeting of the Council dealing with the alteration of the days of meeting it was now

Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Samuel Hill

"That in future the meetings of the Council be held on the second and fourth Tuesday in each month, and that the Finance meeting of the Council be held on the second Tuesday.

Passed Unanimously

The letter received from the Representative of the Midland Great Western Railway Co of England, and adjourned from last meeting was discussed and the following resolution in reference to it

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Samuel Hill

"That we the NewRoss Urban District Council respectfully request the Railway and Canal Commission to grant the application of The Great Western Railway Co of England for through passenger fares between stations on their line of railway, and those of the Dublin and South Eastern Co, as we believe every facility should be afforded the travelling public to visit places of historical or commercial interest. Having regard to the importance of NewRoss as a centre from which many "beauty spots" may be visited easily, we feel that the proposed through rates would be a great convenience to tourists and the public in general, and we direct that copies of this resolution be sent to the Urban Councils of Enniscorthy, Wicklow, Bray, and Kingstown, and the Corporation of Dublin as well as the two M.P.s for our county asking them to co -

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operate in endeavouring to obtain this concession".

Passed Unanimously

On the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy Seconded by Mr David Murphy, Mr James G. Dooley was Unanimously appointed to give evidence on behalf of the Council before the Railway and Canal Commissioners if necessary.

The Clerk stated there was no report received from the Town Surveyor.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 14th May 1907.

John A Kearns

Monday 6th May 1907.

Monthly meeting day

No attendance of members.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 14th May 1907.

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Tuesday 14th May 1907

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider tenders for painting of Council office and portion of Tholsel.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
Wm. G. Williams
David Murphy
John Hand
John Hanning
Edward Kehoe and

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for ordinary account was signed by the Presiding Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and John Hanning and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 20	John Tobin		£	12 · 10 · 0
" 21	Patrick Redmond			4 · 6 · 8
" 22	Do			4 · 6 · 8
" 23	Thomas Martin			17 · 11
" 24	Mrs M. A. Corcoran	Wexford		4 · 4
" 25	John J. Browne			1 · 15 · 11
" 26	G. A. Hickey			7 · 10 · 0
" 27	Alex Thom & Co	Dublin		1 · 4 · 2
" 28	Cashiers Bank of Ireland			46 · 5 · 4
" 29	Do			60 · 7 · 0
" 30	Do			24 · 3 · 4
" 31	Sec School attendance Committee			7 · 10 · 0
" 32	John Harrington			2 · 10 · 0
" 33	M. J. Kinn			8 · 6 · 8
" 34	Wm. O'Connor			8 · 0 · 0
" 35	Collector of Harbour Dues			1 · 8 · 6

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No	36	St Stephens Cemetery Committee	£4 - 13 - 6
"	37	John J. Browne	6 - 5
"	38	Treasurer Port Sanitary Authority, Waterford	10 - 0 - 0
"	39	Doyle Bro's.	1 - 10 - 0
"	40	Thomas Byrne	4 - 6 - 8
"	41	M. J. Finn	15 - 9 - 2

The Treasurers authority for making payments out of the Loans &c, was signed by the Presiding Chairman and Messrs John Fanning and Edward Kehoe and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No	42	Irish Times Ltd.	Dublin.	£ 18 - 10 - 0
"	43	Freeman's Journal Ltd.	"	11 - 11 - 0
"	44	Henderson & Co. "Belfast News Letter"	Belfast.	15 - 16 - 0
"	45	Tho's. Crosbie & Co Ltd. "Cork Examiner"	Cork.	16 - 3 - 0
"	46	Meeredy Peirey & Co Ltd. "Irish Builder"	Dublin.	1 - 13 - 0
"	47	The Chichester Press "Water"	Holborn, London. E.C.	1 - 11 - 0
"	48	Treasurer Local Government Board,	Dublin.	7 - 16 - 6
"	49	Francis Bergin B.E.	Dublin.	250 - 0 - 0
"	50	Patrick Blake	"	700 - 0 - 0
"	51	Jeremiah Murphy B.E.	"	12 - 0 - 0
"	52	Irish Land Commission	"	13 - 4 - 0
"	53	Michael Hickey	NewRoss	250 - 0 - 0

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

Dublin & South Eastern Railway.
Westland Row. Station,
Dublin, 3rd May 1907.

R 8172

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of yesterday, respecting alleged delay in loading of cattle into waggons at NewRoss Station on Fair days, and will at once look into the matter.

Yours faithfully,
A. G. Reid.
per G.M.

M. J. Finn Esq

No order made

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Mr Peter Murphy drew attention to the inconvenience caused buyers attending the NewRoss fair owing to no late train being running from Waterford on the eve of the fair days and stated that a very large number had to drive over on last occasion.

Ordered That the D. & S. Eastern Railway Co. be asked to run a late train from Waterford on the eve of fair days for the convenience of buyers attending the fair.

Father Kelly wrote thanking the Council for the note of sympathy with him on the death of his mother passed by them.

The Secretary, Department of Agriculture, wrote asking to be informed what sum has been contributed out of the rates of the Urban District for the purposes of schemes under the Department for the financial year ending 31st March 1907.

The Clerk stated that he had furnished the desired information and this was approved of.

A letter was also received from the Department acknowledging receipt of the information asked for in the foregoing letter.

A proposal was received from Mr Browne Creacon, of 12/= for one heap of manure in centre of yard, and it was ordered to be accepted if this particular heap is unsold.

An application was received from the Liverpool, London, and Globe Insurance Co, for the payment of £1 - 0 - 8 being premium on E. L. Policy and also a declaration of wages paid and the Clerk was directed to furnish the information as to the wages paid, and ascertain if the employees are covered under the Act of 1906, and that he also pay the premium out of Petty Cash.

A recommendation for admission to Houghton Hospital, extensively

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signed, was received from Mary Culleton of William St. and it was ordered that it be kept with all the other applications until next vacancy.

Letters were received from the following acknowledging receipt of the resolution of the Council recently passed in favour of through passenger fares between stations on the D. & S. E. Railway ~~to~~ and the Great Western Railway of England, and stating that the matter would have attention Viz:- The Town Clerk of Wicklow, Bray, Kingstown and Dublin, also from Sir Thos. Grattan Esmonde M. P. who expressed his willingness to give any help he can to settle it satisfactorily.

Messrs Pooley & Son wrote under date 30th. April, advising not to make the foundations of the weighbridge as they had just been informed that part of it has got broken at the Grand Canal Company's depot in Dublin, and they have to order a new part from the works which will likely take a fortnight or so.

No order made

Mr Peter Murphy drew attention to an order already made by the Council requiring the Contractor to provide a larger cart frame, and a smart horse for use in Scavenging of streets, and it was now ordered that he be required to provide both during the present week.

Paying Orders received as follows were ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council Viz:-

From Land Commission in lieu of rent	£17 .. 3 .. 2.
County Council - Bridge Contract	13 .. 10 .. 0

The Street Inspector applied for remuneration for superintending work at building of pit for new scales at Irishtown, but there was no order made upon it.

The Clerk, in reply to the Chairman, explained that Mr Butler was appointed by the weighbridge Committee to superintend the

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building of the pit under the following circumstances. On Thursday 2nd inst. he, Clerk, accompanied the Town Surveyor to the Irishtown and pointed out to him the exact spot where the weighbridge was to be erected, as selected by the Committee, and informed him that Mr Butler had been directed to ascertain if Mr Cullen the mason was working, or could be got to build the pit; having previously conveyed the order of the Council to the Surveyor in which he was directed to give the necessary instructions for the building of it. When he again proceeded to the Irishtown on Tuesday evening, 7th inst, to see how the work was progressing, he found that the foundation was being built on a site entirely different from that selected by the Committee. He directed the men to dis-continue the building until he would consult the Committee. Two members of the Committee Messrs Dooley and David Murphy proceeded to Irishtown and gave directions to have the excavations, which had already been made, filled up and the foundation built upon the site already selected, and approved of Viz:- that originally pointed out to the Surveyor, and they directed the Street Inspector to superintend the building of it.

A discussion took place respecting the failure of the Town Surveyor to properly carry out the directions of the Council in this matter, and reference was also made to his failure to prepare the specification for the painting of the Tholsel in time to enable advertisements to be issued inviting tenders for consideration at this meeting, and also to furnish particulars respecting the quantity of stones which will be required for the maintenence of the streets for year ending 31st March 1908, in addition to the quantity already in the depots, in time to enable tenders to be considered for their supply at this meeting. The discussion resulted in the following resolution been

Proposed by Mr John S. Hearn J.P. and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

"That the Borough Surveyor

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be dismissed subject to the sanction of the Local Government Board for neglect of duty and drunkness".

On the proposition being put there voted

For- Messrs P. Murphy, W. G. Williams, D. Murphy, and the Chairman 4

Against- Messrs Hand and Kehoe 2

Majority in favour of resolution 2

Mr Fanning declined to vote

The Chairman declared the resolution "Passed"

The Clerk submitted a specification for the painting of the Tholsel, and offices prepared by the committee with the assistance of Mr Freeman, and it was approved of.

Tenders were received for the painting, from Mr Patk. Bolger who offered to carry out the work for the sum of £14 - 17 - 6, and offered Messrs Michael Hickey and John O'Sullivan as Sureties, and from James Bailey who tendered at £21, and offered Messrs William Mc. Cabe and John Murphy John St as sureties.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy

"That the tender of Mr Patk. Bolger for the painting of the Tholsel and office for the sum of £14 - 17 - 6, be accepted".

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk stated that he invited tenders for the supply of 500 tons of limestones, after consultation with the Chairman, not having received an estimate of the quantity required from the Surveyor in time to advertise for the exact quantity required.

Two tenders were received for the supply of the limestones Viz:- From Mrs Margaret Roche who tendered at £2 - 7 - 0 per boatload of 17 tons and Jeremiah Donovan Quay, Waterford, who tendered at 2/10 per ton, per barge of 30 tons when procurable

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by The Chairman

"That the tender of Mrs Roche for

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the supply of limestones at £2.7.0 per boatload be accepted, if she supplies three on an average each week.

Passed Unanimously

An invitation to appoint two delegates to attend the National Convention to be held in Dublin on 21st Inst, was received from Joseph Devlin and the following were appointed the Clerk to arrange if possible to get two to attend Viz:- Messrs Peter Murphy, Wm. G. Williams, Roche, Dunphy and James B. Hearn.

Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met this day and recommend payment of undermentioned (see list at commencement of minutes).

That a copy of Local Government Board letter be sent to Dr. Hickey re his a/c for notification and ask for corrected account.

Signed

John S. Hearn
Peter Murphy
David Murphy

14th May 1907

Proposed by Wm. G. Williams and
Seconded by John Hand

"That report be adopted and payments recommended by them be made".

Passed Unanimously

A Specification for the painting of Tholsel was received from the Town Surveyor but it was not considered as another had already been adopted.

The following was also received from him Viz:-

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New Ross,
8/5/1907.

Dear Sir,

The total no of tons of limestones required for street maintenance for the year ending 31st March 1908 is 1826. I enclose detailed estimate showing no of cubic yards to be 1461, there are roughly 1 ton 5 cwt in 1 cubic yard of limestones.

Yours faithfully,
T. Byrne.

Mr. J. Finn Esq

The detailed Estimate referred to was also received.

No Order made

The Street Inspector reported that he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean on each day. There are two pieces of granite in the footpath at North St, corner of High Hill, which require roughing, they are very slippery at present and he have seen persons getting severe falls there.

Mr Thos. Fitzgerald Quay St, complains of water remaining in a depression in the flags outside his hall door, he also complains of water remaining in the water table outside the entrance to his premises in North St.

Thos. Butler

That Mr Shanahan be got to repair flags at North St.

That the councils men be directed to remedy the complaint stated by Mr Fitzgerald.

In the event of the weighbridge been erected before next fair day, the weighbridge committee were empowered to appoint a person to take charge of it for that day and also to fix charge for weighing each beast.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 28th May 1907

John L Keane

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Tuesday, 28th May 1907 A meeting of The Newtown Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John. S. Hearn J.P. Chairman presiding
Peter Dromphy
John Hand
Wm. G. Williams
David Dromphy
and
John Sheehan

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Dromphy and Wm. Geo Williams, and the following Repay Order directed to be issued Viz:- Dr J Horn. Petty Cash £2

Correspondence

Letter from Traffic Manager D & S. Ey Railway acknowledging receipt of request of Council, to have a late train put on from Waterford to Newross, on the eve of each fair, for the convenience of buyers, and stating that same will have Consideration.

The Chairman stated that he had been speaking to the Assistant traffic Manager Mr Duffy, about the matter and he promised to do his best to Comply with the wishes of the Council.

It was now Ordered that the Clerk write to Mr Duffy, and direct his attention to the Conversation with the Chairman and request him to kindly have the train put on, if he possibly can

An application was received from Mr Patrick Delaney for permission to construct a "Bow" window at his house in Inistown, And on the proposal of Mr Williams Seconded by Mr Sheehan the application was unanimously granted.

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Letter from Commissioner of Valuation acknowledging receipt of Notice of appeal by Gas Co. which would have his attention.
No Order made

Letter from Local Government Board acknowledging receipt of resolution of Council, relative to Town Surveyor, and stating that same would have attention, but there was no order made upon it

Letter from Manager National Bank informing the Council that interest is allowed on credit balances on both the accounts. The present rate is two per cent, that charged on overdrafts being three per cent.
No Order made, this arrangement being considered satisfactory.

Letter from traffic representative of Great Western Railway of England asking to have a copy of resolution recently passed by the Council, relative to through passenger fares, sent to the Dublin Corporation, and also stating that he intends calling on Mr Dooley, (the delegate appointed by the Council to give evidence) with a view to taking down formal proof of his evidence.

The Clerk explained that the representative waited on Mr Dooley on previous day.
No Order made

Mrs Roche Ballyanne wrote acknowledging receipt of order for twenty loadtoads of limestones, and stating that she cannot undertake to supply three loads each week, as road is often delayed at limestone quarry, and weather is sometimes very unfavourable, but she will have them delivered as soon as possible.

A discussion took place as to the advisability of getting stone from Mr Donovan, in addition to Mrs Roche, as the latter would not be able to supply a sufficient quantity during the Summer months. And it was

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

That twenty lighter loads be ordered from Mr Jeremiah O'Donovan at 9/10 per Ton, being the amount at which

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he tendered to supply them for at last meeting"
Passed Unanimously

A long letter was read from the Secretary of the Dungannon Club Belfast, in the course of which he asked the Council to co-operate with them to get this country to cease looking to England for concessions, and bills, get them to repudiate the assumption that the English parliament has any right to govern Ireland and get them to cease to recognise that right by sending Irish members to the English Parliament.

Ordered

That the communication be marked "read".

Mr Edward Browne, Deacon, wrote stating that he would accept the heap of manure which is being made up in yard instead of the one he tendered for, as that was already sold, and this was agreed to.

Messrs Pooley & Son Ltd. wrote advising the despatch of the "Stool" for weighbridge on 15th Inst. and asking to be advised as soon as it comes to hand that they may send their mechanic to fit it up.

The Clerk stated that the part referred to was after arriving and he had advised Messrs Pooley.

Ordered

That the weighbridge committee inspect it when erected, and that they be also empowered to appoint a person to take charge of it for next fair day and fix the price to be charged that day for use of it.

Tenders were received from Mr Deehan, and Mr Hogan for road scrapings in Burmeen Lane but it was decided to invite Tenders from others, to be received by end of week, the Chairman to be empowered to accept the highest tender without waiting for a meeting.

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An application was received from Andrew Rochford, Wm St. for the tenancy of a house in Wm St, at present let to Anne Wallace, but which she is willing to hand over to him. He offered Messrs John Meehan, and P. A. Glorman as sureties.

Ordered

That Andrew Rochford be accepted tenant of the house.

In response to an invitation of the Chairman, a proposal was received from Mr Patrick Dolger to paint the dial of the Town Clock black, and re-gild the figures on it for the sum of Three pounds.

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

That the proposal of Mr Dolger to paint the dial of the Town Clock, and re-gild the figures for the sum of £3 be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the manager of the gas Co be asked to state what would be the cost of having a jet fixed up at the Clock so that the dial can be illuminated, and that Messrs Timber Bros be asked to quote the cost of having a glass facing erected on it to protect the lighting of it.

It was also ordered that Mr Morris, Bridge St be directed to have two spring blinds fixed on the Office windows, and that Mr Dolger paint the Closet at a cost not exceeding 10/= also that the gas manager be directed to alter the present gas jet in the hall, which is injuring the top Casing, and substitute a more suitable one for it.

The Clerk reported that a Financial Book of Receipts and also of Expenditure was required and it was ordered that quotations be obtained and the cheaper one accepted.

Mr David Murphy gave notice that he would move at next meeting that an address be presented by the Council to Mr John E. Redmond M. P. on the occasion of his visit to New Ross in connection with the unveiling of the '98 monument.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 11th June 1907.

John J Hearn

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Tuesday 11th June 1907

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to make a Town Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1908, and sign Collectors Warrants for collection of same, and consider a notice of motion by Mr David Murphy, that an address be presented by the Council to Mr J. E. Redmond M. P. on the occasion of his visit to NewRoss in connection with the unveiling of the '98 Monument.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J. P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
John Hand
Joseph Roche
Patrick Dunphy
David Murphy
Wm. G. and Williams

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Wm. G. Williams and Patrick Dunphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 55	NewRoss Gas Co	£	88 · 9 · 3
" 56	Treasurer Co Council Wexford		294 · 0 · 9
" 57	John J. Browne		1 · 9 · 7
" 58	John Tobin		3 · 2 · 6
" 59	Borough Treasurer Kilkenny,		10 · 9
" 60	Hely's Ltd Dublin,		6 · 4
" 61	M. J. Finn		8 · 6 · 8
" 62	Do (Petty Cash)		18 · 6 · 1
" 63	Philip Murphy Rosbercon,		1 · 0 · 0

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The Treasurers authority for making payments out of the Loans a/c, was signed by the Presiding Chairman and Messrs Wm. Ly. Williams and Patrick Dunphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No	64	Patrick Blake	Dublin,	£2,000 . 0 . 0
"	65	Jeremiah Murphy	Newross,	12 . 0 . 0
"	66	M. J. O'Connor & Co	Wexford,	29 . 11 . 0
"	67	Mrs M. A. Corcoran	"	19 . 17 . 0

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

Mc. Murrogh,
Newross, Co Wexford,
June 5th 1907.

Sir,

I wrote to you some time ago about your Town Surveyor quarrying to make a depot on my property in Wexford St, in doing so he under-mined the wall of the field in possession of Mr Rochford.

On account of being under-mined the wall has fallen down and I expect the Urban Council to repair it especially as I wrote warning them that if the wall fell I would hold them responsible.

Yours truly,
Arthur J. Alexander.

The Chairman
Urban Council.

Ordered That a meeting of the Street Committee be held on to-morrow at 11-o'clock A. M. to consider this matter, inspect the wall referred to, and take whatever steps are necessary to have it repaired.

31 a Bachelor's Walk,
Dublin, 1st June 1907.

Dear Sirs,

Your favour of the 31st Ult, duly received, we

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regret to hear the stool has got broken in transit, we have ordered a new one on from our Works and expect it will be delivered in two or three weeks. We do not keep these stools in stock, as they have always to be cast, when the orders are sent on, which causes the delay.

You might have the other parts stored as our man could not fit up this machine without the stool.

Yours faithfully,
H. Pooley & Son Ltd.
John L. Smallman.

The Clerk reported that when the Councilmen proceeded to the station to take delivery of the stool they found that portion of it had been broken. He refused to accept delivery and wrote Messrs Pooley & Son, who replied that a new one would be cast. He also reported that he arranged with Mrs Galavan to store the other parts of the Weighbridge at a weekly rent of 1/= and this was approved of.

No 25,913 : 1907
NewRoss U. Dist.

Local Government Board, Dublin,
30th May 1907.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 16th Inst, relative to the dismissal of the Borough Surveyor by the NewRoss Urban District Council at their meeting held on the 14th Inst, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to state that, having regard to the terms of Section 7 of the Towns Improvement Clauses Act, 1847, as incorporated and amended, the action of the Council in this matter is subject to the approval of the Local Government Board.

I am to add that, before taking the matter into consideration, the Board desire to be furnished with a full statement of the circumstances that gave rise to the proposal, and to be informed whether the provisions of Section 43 of the Commissioners Clauses Act, 1847, as to notice, were complied with.

I am Sir,
Your Obd Servt,
H. Courtenay.

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The Chairman referred to Section 43 of the Commissioners Clauses Act 1847, and to the observations of Lord Justice Fitzgibbon relative to ordinary business, which appear in a foot note to that Section in "Vanston's Law of Municipal Towns," and considered that they applied in the present case.

After some discussion it was ordered that the Clerk furnish particulars to the Local Government Board, setting out the circumstances which led to his dismissal some of which were enumerated. Subsequently at the request of the Clerk, a Committee consisting of Messrs David Murphy, Williams, and the Chairman were appointed to prepare a reply to the letter of the Local Government Board.

A letter was received from the Royal Insurance Co, drawing the attention of the Council to the Workman's Compensation Act 1906, which comes into operation on the 1st July and asking to be permitted to submit a quotation.

In reply to the Chairman the Clerk stated that all the workmen were already assured but the officers were not.

Ordered

That the Council's officers be insured, and that this and other offices be asked to quote rates.

New Ross Gas Company, Ltd.,
New Ross, 11th June 1907.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your inquiry re illumination of dial of the Tholsel Clock, I beg to say that any attempt to light the dial from outside would prove expensive, and unsatisfactory. and lamps placed in front of or at the sides of the dial would be almost inaccessible for cleaning &c.

In the case of lighting from inside the tower (assuming you fix a suitable glass dial) a difficulty also presents itself owing to the construction of the tower. The existing opening in the tower wall through which the spindale passes to the dial is a small square passage, and any light passing through this

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would only light the centre of the dial.

To successfully light the dial, the small passage referred to should be enlarged and made circular so that it would be the full size of the dial, but whether this enlargement would tend to weaken the tower wall and the cost of same is a point on which the opinion of one of the local builders should be obtained. If however it is decided to carry out the work on these lines I would be glad to fix two incandescent lights with reflectors placed in a suitable position, and shielded from draughts by a glazed casing, with piping and a tap placed say outside your office (so that the lighting and extinguishing would be under the control of your caretaker) for £2-5-0, the supply to be taken from the meter supplying your office.

Yours faithfully,
H. Kirkham.

M. J. Finn Esq

The Clerk stated that he called on Messrs Zimber Bros., as directed at last meeting and they informed him that a new dial should be fixed to the block before it could be illuminated.

It was agreed not to take any further steps in the matter, it being considered too expensive to illuminate it.

A letter was received from Mr Duffy, in reply to one addressed to him by the Council, asking to have a late train from Waterford the eve of each fair, stating that he could not put on one without instructions, but that the Council's letter had been forwarded to the Manager.

A letter was also received from the traffic Manager, Mr Coghlan, stating that the be put on, and are still running an early morning special passenger train from Waterford to Newross, at 5 P.M. which he considered met the requirements of buyers and others.

The members expressed themselves satisfied with this arrangement, and desired the Clerk to inform the traffic Manager

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accordingly. They were under the impression the train did not leave Waterford until six oclock, a.m.

The Secretary Harbour Commissioners, acting for Harbour Master, wrote requesting the Council to remove limestones belonging to them which were delivered opposite Telephone office. The Clerk reported they were already removed.

Letters were received from Mr O'Donovan acknowledging receipt of official order for limestones, and stating that same would have prompt attention.

Mr J. R. Wolfe wrote acknowledging receipt of copy of resolution of sympathy passed with him by the Council on the death of his father.

An application was received from the Hon Secretary of the '98 ~~Monument~~ Memorial Committee asking for permission to erect the platform for the unveiling ceremony. The permission asked for was unanimously granted.

The Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks notified that a sum of £16-13-7 being the proportion of Surplus moneys arising from the sale of Dog Licenses, for the Urban District of New Ross had been lodged to the credit of the Council.

A proposal of 6/9. from Mr Teehan for heap of road scrapings in Burneen Lane was accepted, as was also 2/= for some at Bosheen-na-slaun.

A report was received from Mr Byrne but it was not read.

Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met this day and recommended payment of undermentioned (see list at commencement of minutes).

Account furnished from late Borough Surveyor we are not

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recommending for payment pending decision of the Local Government Board.

We regret to still find amount due for outstanding arrears of rent is not reduced since our last inspection of accounts and we again ask the Council to impress upon the Collector the importance of this amount being considerably reduced before next Finance meeting.

Signed

John S. Hearn
Peter Murphy

June 11th 1907.

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy

That report of Committee be adopted, and payments recommended by them be made.

Passed Unanimously

The meeting proceeded to make a Town Rate for year ending 31st March 1908.

Proposed by Patrick Dunphy and
Seconded by Peter Murphy and Resolved

"That we raise the sum of One thousand six hundred and forty-nine pounds, eighteen shillings, and seven pence, as and for Town Rate, and for that purpose we make a Town Rate of four shillings in the pound for the financial year commencing on the first day of april 1907, and ending the thirty-first day of March 1908; on the property situate in the Urban District of Newross, rateable under the under-mentioned Acts for the purposes therein mentioned of which Town Rate of 4/= in the Pound, 2/5 in the Pound is for general purposes under the provisions of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and the sum of 1/7 in the Pound is for Sanitary purposes under the provisions of the Public Health (Ireland) Acts which Sanitary rate includes one penny in the Pound for

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the purpose of Technical Instruction under the provisions of the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act 1899".

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by David Murphy and
Seconded by Peter Murphy and Resolved "That the Presiding Chairman and five other members of the Council sign the Town Rate Books, and the resolution making the Town Rate, and the adoption of the Town Rate endorsed thereon, and affix the Common Seal of the Council to said Rate Books, and endorsements; and that the Collector's Warrant, endorsed on said Rate Books, be signed by the Presiding Chairman and two of the members of the Council present and countersigned by the Clerk, and sealed with the Common Seal".

Passed Unanimously

In accordance with the foregoing resolution the Rate Books and Collector's Warrants were duly signed and sealed.

Mr Roche drew attention to the bad condition of the roads in the adjoining Rural Districts and suggested the appointment of a Committee to make a representation respecting them to the County Council but, after some discussion, the matter was allowed to drop.

Address to Mr J. E. Redmond M. P.

Mr David Murphy in a very appropriate speech proposed the following resolution of which he had given notice Viz:- That an address be presented by the Council to Mr J. E. Redmond M. P. on the occasion of his forthcoming visit to Newross for the solemn unveiling of the '98 Monument on 23rd inst June 1904.

The resolution was seconded by Mr Dunphy and passed Unanimously.

The meeting then went into Committee to consider the draft address which was approved of, after which
The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 25th June 1904.

Joseph Roche

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Wednesday 12th June 1907

A meeting of the Street Committee was held this day at 3.30 P.M to consider what steps should be taken in order to properly repair wall at Wexford St, referred to in letter of Mr Alexander.

Present Messrs John S Hearn J.P Chairman of Council
Wm G. Williams and

The Committee proceeded to inspect wall at Wexford St, and decided to have the portion of it, which was in danger of falling, repaired. They accordingly directed the Clerk to employ William Edwards to carry out the necessary repairs, and also procure for him the material and attendance that he may require.

The Committee adjourned

Wednesday 12th June 1907

A meeting of the Committee which was appointed to prepare reply to letter received from the Local Government Board relative to dismissal of Town Surveyor met this day at 4.30 P.M.

Present Messrs John S Hearn J.P. Chairman of Council
William G Williams
and
David Murphy

The Committee carefully considered a draft reply which had been prepared by the Clerk, and having made some alterations in, and additions to it, approved of it, and directed the Clerk to forward Copy to Local Government Board and retain Copy in letter book, after which

The Committee adjourned.

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Monday 17th June 1907

A Special meeting of the Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith; also to arrange for illuminating and presentation of address to Mr J. E. Redmond M. P. on the occasion of his visit to NewRoss.

Present Messrs Samuel Hill Presiding
John Hand
Peter Murphy
and
Patrick Dunphy

House of Commons,
13th June 1907.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter of the 12th Inst, in which you convey to me the intention of your Council to present an address to me on the occasion of my forthcoming visit to NewRoss and asking where it would be most convenient for me to receive the same. In reply I have to say that whatever place and time are most convenient for your Council will suit me, but I should like you to let me know before hand what you have decided on.

Very truly yours.

M. J. Flinn Esq. J. E. Redmond.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy

That the address be presented to Mr J. E. Redmond M. P. at the Royal Hotel as soon after the arrival of his train as it will be convenient for him to receive it.

Passed Unanimously

The following is a copy of the address as approved of and adopted by the Council at their last meeting.

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Monday 17th June 1907 (Minutes contd.)

Address
of
The NewRoss Urban Council,
to
John E. Redmond Esqr., M.P.

Dear Sir,

We, the members of the NewRoss Urban Council, beg to tender you on this memorable occasion, a hearty welcome to our historic town. Your presence amongst us at any time, would be an event of especial interest, but at the present moment, that interest is enhanced, not only by the ceremony in which you are to participate to-day, but also by the present conjuncture in Irish political affairs. The inhabitants of NewRoss recall with feelings of pride and pleasure, that it was from their platform, a quarter of a century ago, you made your first entry into Parliamentary life and the stormy arena of Irish politics. The memory of that event is still treasured in the minds of many of us, and the high hopes and anticipations of a great political career which we then predicted for you, have been abundantly realized.

In the generation which has passed since then, the Irish National cause has experienced many stirring and trying vicissitudes of fortune, but through all these varying scenes of political change, in the hour of defeat as well as in the hour of triumph, you have steadfastly adhered to the principles of Irish Nationality, and have never, in the smallest degree, attenuated the claim of the Irish Nation for an effective and efficient system of National Self-Government. Since your electionto the proud but responsible position of Chairman of the Irish Party, your ability, tact, and resource as a Parliamentary leaderhave been conspicuously displayed; while your high personal character, conciliatory temper, and brilliant gifts of oratory and debate, have powerfully contributed to dispel prejudice, to disarm hostility, and to dispose the minds of all fair and impartial men to weigh and consider

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the claims of Ireland. Amongst the Irish race at home and beyond the seas, there is a vast preponderance of opinion that the choice then made, has been amply justified, and that the Irish people have found in you a worthy successor to the masterful political genius, who only for the wayward fate that ever seems to follow our National fortunes, would have won, in our day a decisive triumph for Irish liberty;- Charles Stewart Parnell.

The situation which has arisen in our political affairs, owing to the rejection by the National Convention of the halting and ludricous Council Bill of the Irish Secretary, makes a strong call upon the patience, and the fortitude of the Irish people. History has once more repeated itself, and the hopes of the Nation have been again doomed to bitter disappointment by the timid counsels which have prevailed with English Statesmen. But we are in no wise disheartened. The measure of their timidity must be the measure of our determination. We look forward to the new policy of advance for which you have already given the signal. We have the fullest confidence that the National Directory will place before the country a line of action that will be creditable to their courage and sagacity, and of a character to win the assent of the old and experienced as well as to enlist the sympathy and enthusiasm of the young and ardent.

And for us, Wexfordmen, the present seems a propitious moment to pledge anew our fealty to the Irish cause. To-day we are assembled to unveil a memorial to the dead who died for Ireland - a memorial that will stand to all time as a tribute of a people's love and gratitude, and a symbol of the spirit of liberty which is a living and active force in Ireland still. In honouring the men of the past, and recalling their deeds and fame, we are strengthening our people's faith in the National idea, and kindling brighter hopes for its complete and speedy triumph. As our political leader, as a county man bearing an honoured name, and as a politician whose earliest efforts in public life were associated with NewRoss, it is fitting that you should be with us on this historic occasion.

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The cause for which the men of '98 fought and died is essentially the same as that for which under your leadership we are struggling to-day. May the men of Ireland never falter in their devotion to that cause, and may it be given to you and to our countrymen who have shared your labours, to witness the incubus of alien rule lifted from the bosom of our country, and the Irish race started upon a career of liberty, prosperity, and peace.

On behalf of the Council,
John S. Heam J.P. Chairman.
M. J. Hinn Clerk.

Proposed by Mr Samuel Hill and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy "That the engrossing and illuminating of the address be entrusted to Mr W. P. Barrington Newross, should he have time to do it."

Passed Unanimously

Ordered That the address be read and presented to Mr Redmond by the Town Clerk.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 25th June 1907.

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Wednesday 19th June 1907

A meeting of the painting Committee was held this day at 11.30 O'clock A.M to consider advisability of having Office, Chokel &c, which was painted, Varnished

Present Messrs John S Kearns J.P Chairman
David Murphy
and
Peter Murphy

The committee decided to get the place varnished if it would not be too expensive to do so, and accordingly interviewed Mr Patrick Bolger, who agreed, after some discussion with the committee, to varnish the newly painted portion of office and Chokel for £2.5.0, which proposal was accepted, on the motion of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr David Murphy.

The committee also directed him to have a second coat of paint put on inner office, and to have the Closet woodwork varnished, after which the meeting adjourned.

Wednesday 21st June 1907

A meeting of the weighbridge committee was held this day at 4.30 P.M. to inspect weighbridge, which was in course of erection at Irishtown by Messrs Pooley's Mechanic.

Present Messrs John S Kearns J.P.
William G Williams
and
Peter Murphy

The committee proceeded to the Irishtown and minutely examined the Machine, the erection of which had just been completed by the Mechanic. He explained to them in detail the working of it, and the committee expressed satisfaction at the manner in which the work was carried out. They directed that a sum of £5 be paid the Mechanic, Mr Jones, for work done in connection with its erection. They also inspected Mr Galvin's house and directed the Clerk to employ Wm Edwards to repair portion of it, over the two doors, immediately, as it was in danger of falling, and also the wall adjoining in yard, and order the necessary materials at Grabois's after which

The Meeting adjourned

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Tuesday 25th June 1907

A meeting of the Dundalk Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts connected therewith, also to recommend to the Governors of Trinity Hospital a fit and proper person to fill a vacancy in the Hospital.

Present Messrs Joseph Roche presiding
Peter Dempsey
John Hanks
and John Fanning.

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Orders Peter Dempsey and John Fanning and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:
No 68 In favour Petty Cash £17-15-0

The Local Government Board wrote acknowledging receipt of the Council's letter of 14th Inst relative to dismissal of Town Surveyor.

No Order made

A circular letter was also received from the Board drawing attention to the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act 1906 but there was No Order made upon it.

Proposals for the Insurance of the Council's Officers were received from The Patriotic Assurance Co, The Royal Insurance Co, and The London and Lancashire Insurance Co, the three of which offered to protect the Council against legal liability at a rate of 3/= % for the Clerical Staff, and 10/= % for all others.

Ordered

That the consideration of these proposals be adjourned to next meeting.

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Notice was received from J. A. Baker Esq. Local Government Auditor, that he would attend at the Office on Friday 9th Inst. for the purpose of Auditing the Accounts of the Council for the year ending 31st March 1904.

No Order made

The consideration of the following resolution, received from the Irish Industrial Development Association, was adjourned to next meeting, the members to be summoned to consider it viz:-

"That this Association, in reference to the resolution"
"passed by many of the Irish public bodies on the"
"subject again desires to remind all the Public"
"bodies of Ireland of the urgent need of insistence upon"
"specifying in their tenders for Irish-made goods"
"that such goods must bear the Irish Trade Mark,"
"more especially as in the course of the Association's work"
"so many cases have been found, besides those where"
"prosecutions were carried out, where there is every reason"
"to believe, although complete legal proof is difficult"
"to obtain, that certain classes of imported goods are"
"being fraudulently supplied as Irish. We therefore"
"ask that the Irish Trade Mark should be insisted"
"upon as thereby this Association is placed in a"
"better position to detect and prove any fraud of the"
"sort."

A Notification was received from Hugh R Hamilton, Treasurer and Secretary of Trinity Hospital, that a Meeting of the governing Body of the Hospital would be held on Wednesday, 3rd July 1907 for the purpose of nominating one fit and proper person to fill a vacancy in said Hospital.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hand

"That Hannah Plunkett Michael Sh"
"be recommended by this Council to the Governing Body of Trinity"
"Hospital, to be nominated by them for admission to the Hospital"

Passed Unanimously

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The medal, and certificate, received from the Royal Humane Society for presentation to Mr Patrick Dooley was submitted to the meeting but it was decided not to take any action, but defer the consideration of the mode of presentation to next meeting.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 9th July 1907.

Wm. Gabbitiams

New Ross Monday July 1st 1907

A monthly meeting of the Comail to be held this day at 12 O'Clock, noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith. No members attended

The meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, 9th July 1907

Monday 8th July 1907

A meeting of the committee appointed to have weighbridge erected, and repairs to Mrs Galavins house carried out met this day at 4 Oclock P.M.

Present Messrs David Murphy
and
James G Dooley

The committee proceeded to Irishtown to inspect house and weighbridge and having given the necessary directions and considered a report to be submitted to the meeting adjourned.

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Tuesday July 9th 1907

A Quarterly meeting of the Council was held this day at 7 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Locde Government (Ireland) Act 1898,

Present Messrs Wm G. Williams presiding

John Hands
Edward Kehoe
Samuel Hill
Joseph Rocke
and
David Murphy

There were no applications received for new works.

In the absence of any Surveyor for the District it was decided not to invite Tenders for the Construction of the new footpath at Cross Lane, or the repairs of the wall at Roskercon.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 23rd July 1907.

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Tuesday July 9th 1907

A meeting of the Newbliss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider a resolution received from The Irish Industrial Development Association in reference to the Irish Trade Mark being affixed to Irish goods; to sign and seal agreement between the Council and The G S & W^n Railway Co in reference to laying of pipe across their premises at Ballyforkeam also to select an Insurance Co in which to insure the Co^s officials.

Present Messrs Wm G. Williams presiding
John Hand
Edward Kehoe
Samuel Hill
Joseph Roche
and
David Murphy

The Minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Hill and Kehoe and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 69 —	Jeremiah O'Donovan	£	17-0-0
" 70 —	Governors of John Ivory School		1-3-1
" 71 —	D^o Office		6-5-0
" 72 —	Same		8-6-8
" 73 —	John Keogh		14-5-6
" 74 —	John H Walshe		1-9-3
" 75 —	Dwyer Bros		1-11-0
" 76 —	P. A. Jeffares		2-3-6
" 77 —	Patrick Rodger		21-2-6
" 78 —	George Robinson		1-4-2
" 79 —	Dr G. A Hickey		10-9-0
" 80 —	John J Browne		
" 81 —	Petty Cash		24-13-1
" 82 —	D^o Office		2-16-6

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83—	Hugh R Hamilton		£5·18·6
84—	Patrick Blake	Loans account	2000-0-0
85—	Jeremiah Murphy		12·0·0

The resolution received from the Irish Industrial Development Association relative to the use of the Irish Trade mark, which was adjourned from last meeting, was considered, and, on the proposal of Mr David Murphy, seconded by Mr Roche it was unanimously adopted.

It was agreed to present The Royal Humane Society's medal and certificate to Mr Patrick Dooley in the Large Room, Thokel, at eight O'clock on Tuesday 23rd July.

Correspondence

Local Government Board
Dublin 6th July 1907

No 34,096:1907

Sir,

The Local Government Board for Ireland have had before them your letter of the 11th Ultimo relative to the proposal of the Newross Urban District Council to dismiss Mr Thomas Byrne from the Office of Town Surveyor in the District, and they direct me to state, for the information of the Council, that they have approved of the dismissal of this Officer.

A list of questions to be answered respecting the person who may be appointed as his successor is enclosed herewith.

I am, Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
A R Barlas
Secretary

The Clerk
Urban District Council
Newross

There was no Order made on this letter beyond directing that it be inserted on the minutes.

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Tuesday July 9th 1907 (Minutes Continued)

D & S Ex. Railway
Westland Row Station
28th June 1907

Dear Sir

With reference to your letter of 24th Ult. I made full inquiry and could not find that there was any good grounds for Complaints of delay on the part of the Railway Company in loading cattle into wagons at New Ross Station.

At the Fair held on the 9th April we loaded one hundred and nineteen wagons of stock and horses at that Station, of which eighty-seven wagons were loaded and despatched by 12.20 P.M.. Of the remainder, twenty three wagons were despatched by a second special train to Dublin at 2.5 P.M. and nine wagons of horses and stock - late arrivals - were sent by 4.-5 PM special to Waterford.

I am Council may rest assured that all possible efforts are made by the Company's Officials to secure the prompt despatch of stock from New Ross on Fair days.

I am Yours faithfully
A Ly Reid

Ordered That the Clerk acknowledge receipt of this letter and express the pleasure of the Council to hear that such a large amount of stock was despatched from New Ross by rail on the fair referred to.

An application was received from Mr James Connolly for permission to erect a scaffolding outside Mrs Gannon's Mr Welshe's and Mr Redmond's South St and it was granted, some Members remarking that it was already erected in the two former places.

Messrs Boley & Son Ltd. wrote stating that they understood the Council had a Cast Weighbridge which is in need of repairs, and they would be pleased to undertake the work if favoured with an order. They also suggested that both be put under Contract And the Meeting made No Order on the letter.

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A certificate was received from Dr. O'Connor that Wm. Scanlon was admitted to the Infirmary suffering from Rheumatism, as was also one from Dr Hickey, dated two days later, that the patient was suffering from Bronchial Congestion, and would not be fit to resume duty for two weeks.

The Clerk reported that he had to employ Tom Scanlon in his place when he got ill, and inquired if he would pay William full wages during his illness.

After some discussion it was agreed that he be paid his wages in full for the ensuing fortnight, or until the next meeting. The employment of a substitute for him at usual wages was approved of.

Tenders were received for heap of manure in yard from Thomas Hayden, Clodagh, who offered 14/=, and from Thomas Fleming, The Rower who offered 13/=.

Ordered

That the Tender of Thomas Hayden for heap of manure at 14/= be accepted.

The consideration of the proposals of several Insurance Cos to insure the Officers of the Comal adjourned from last meeting was taken up, and a proposal was now received from The General Accident Fire and Life Assurance Co to insure them for the sum of £2.9.0 per Ann. the estimated salaries for the year being £653.

Proposed by Dr Hill and
Seconded by Dr Hand "That the proposal of the"
"General Accident Assurance Co for the Insurance"
"of the Officers of the Comal be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

An invitation was received from Dr John Murphy, Organising Secretary of the Enniscorthy Branch of The National Comal, inviting the members of the Urban Comal to attend a public meeting to be held at Enniscorthy on Sunday next, and on the proposal of Dr Roche, seconded by Dr Kehoe it was marked "Read", and

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the Clerk was directed to apprise the Secretary of the Order made upon the letter of invitation.

The L.G. Board wrote forwarding the following Copy of the report of their Auditor on the Accounts of the Council for the financial year ending 31st March 1907.

Copy

2nd July 1907

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to report that I have audited the accounts of Newross Urban District for the financial year ended 31st March 1907. The rate levied for the period amounted to 6/6 in the £, of which 2/3 was in respect of Poor Rate.

In view of the considerable amount of arrears outstanding on the Urban Rate at the close of the year £53-6-11, it would appear that the Collector was not sufficiently diligent in his collection.

The various items of receipts and expenditure were adequately vouched by the Clerk and the accounts were prepared and submitted by him in a very satisfactory manner.

I have the honour to be
Gentlemen
Your Obedient Servant
J. A. Baker

The Local Government Board
Dublin

Ordered

That a copy of that portion of it which refers to the Collection of the Town Rate be given to the Collector

The Meeting Complimented the Clerk on the Satisfactory report of the Auditor in reference to the accounts.

The following is a copy his report on the Audit of the accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for the same period viz:-

I have the honour to report that I have audited the accounts of the Newross Urban Technical Instruction Committee for the financial year ended 31st March 1907, and I beg to transmit herewith four copies of the Abstracts of same

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duly Certified.
No Order made.

A letter was received from the Secretary of the John St Sewer School stating that the plot through which the Quarry at John St is entered has been let for building ground, and as the building will soon be commenced it will be necessary for the Council to have the stones belonging to them removed from the yard.

It was suggested that perhaps Mr Cullen, who has the contract for the building, might purchase them, and it was agreed to empower the Sanitary Committee, at their meeting to inspect the sewer in John Street to dispose of them to Mr Cullen, if they can obtain a satisfactory price, and if not, the Foreman is to remove them to the Council's yard in Henry Street

Collector's Report

New Ross July 9th 1907

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to report the following weekly tenants owing one months rent – John O'Neill Wm St 13/9, Edward Broaders 9/6, Mary Doyle 8/9, (This woman is in bed for two months and paid 9/6 on 8th Inst) Edwd Whitty 9/3, Anne Ryan 9/11, James Kehoe 8/3, Joseph Allen 13/9,

Outstanding Borough Rate £53-6-11, Collected £13-13-11, Balance £39-13-0

I expect to collect the balance of outstanding rate by the end of this month, as I have been promised by the parties owing Rate, with the exception of Peter Murphy Mary St, and W Hammond Irishtown. I have served the days Notices on said persons for arrears and present rate and I would feel obliged if you give me instructions what to do in the matter. P Murphy – arrears £6-9-4½, W Hammond £4-5-7½

John J Browne
Collector

Ordered

That the Secretaries of John O'Neill and J Allen be written to, and requested to have the rent due by these persons paid up.

That the necessary steps be taken to collect the outstanding arrears of Borough Rate by the end of the present month.

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The following was read:-

New Ross

8th July 1907

Dear Committee inspected the House at Inishtown occupied by Mrs Galavin, which is undergoing some repairs in accordance with the directions of the Committee Viz:- New Leads over front and back doors, and wall at North side of yard. In addition to this we recommend that the tumble down portion of the wall of outhouses adjoining street be built up at a probable cost of about 5Of- or £3 also that portion of the roof, which is in a very bad way, be patched and new laths put in where necessary.

It also badly requires new glass in many of the windows, and in two or three, new frames. These repairs are absolutely necessary at present, as in fact a considerably larger outlay would be required to put the premises in fairly good condition. We also gave directions to have a shed fixed over the arm of the new weighing machine, and the necessary railing and gate erected.

David Murphy

Proposed by Mr Kehoe and
Seconded by Mr Roche

That the report of the committee be adopted, and the work recommended by them carried out

Proposed Unanimously

The Clerk reported that at his request the men engaged at scavenging Viz- Flynn, Broaders & Mr Hogans men worked very late at cleansing the streets on the Saturday night preceding the unveiling of the monument, and it was ordered that they be allowed 1/6 each.

It was also ordered that a mat be obtained, for use at foot of stairs, and a new mud shovee, and that the owners of Notice Boards, Hoardings, and Bills be directed to remove them off the Council's yard at Henry St.

At the suggestion of a member it was decided to consider the advisability of renting

the walls of this yard for advertising purposes.

Mr Roche drew attention to the very high rates levied for the Carrigtwohill Rural District, which were the highest in any Rural District in the County, and at his request the Clerk was directed to ask the Secretary of the County Council why this was the case, and also to furnish some particulars respecting the expenditure.

It was also ordered that Mr Patrick Fanning be not permitted in future to use the base of the '98 Monument, or the Rotunda steps for a platform from which to deliver speeches, and that the Man in charge of the Hall of the Rotunda be directed to report to the Clerk whenever he does so, and that the Officer report same to the Council with a view to have proceedings taken against him.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 23rd July 1907

John J Kearns

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Tuesday 23rd July 1907

A meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts Connected therewith; also to present the Bronze Medal of The Royal Humane Society to Mr Patrick Dooley for saving the life of a boy named John Nolan of High St who had fallen into the River Barrow in March last.

Present Messrs John J Kearns J.P. Chairman
David Dunphy
Peter Dunphy
John Hand
Joseph Roche
Patrick Dunphy
James J O'Connell
James D Kearns.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Joseph Roche and P Dunphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued
Viz:- Petty Cash No 86 £19-5-8

Correspondence

11th July 1907 Letter from Mr Bolger acknowledging receipt of Paying Order £21-2-6 for painting of Office & Shed, and thanking the Council for their satisfactory approval of the work done
No Order made

17th July 1907 Letter from The New Ross Gas Co notifying the Council that they intend opening the road in South Street, outside Miss White's for the purpose of clearing supply pipe.
No Order made

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36,074/1907
15th July 1907

Letter from The Local Government Board acknowledging the receipt of the Council's letter of the 10th Inst. inquiring whether they may make payment to Mr Thomas Byrne, late Town Surveyor, in settlement of Bills furnished by him for Salary for the two months and week ending on the 6th July, and for three months office and Stationary.

With reference thereto, I am to state that the Council must act on their own responsibility in this matter and be prepared to satisfy the Auditor as to the legality of any action they may take.

Ordered That the Local Government Board be asked to kindly inform the Council whether Mr Byrne ceased to be Town Surveyor when dismissed by the Council by resolution, or did he continue in office until his dismissal was approved of by the Board.

45,380; 17th July '07

Letter from The Commissioner of Valuation asking to have any Supplemental Lists received forwarded to his office not later than the 31st Inst, and it was Ordered that the Clerk attend to the matter.

20th July 1907

Letter from the Secretary of the County Council, in reply to one addressed to him asking why it was the rates in the Rural District of Newross are so high and also to kindly give some particulars of the expenditure, to meet which they are levied. He desired to point out that he did not think it fair to be asked to criticise the administration of any other public body in the County, but he would be happy to give every information as to the full details of estimates for County Charges, and for Urban and District Charges, to the Clerk if he attends at the Office of the County Council.

Ordered That the Secretary of the County Council be informed this Council do not require him to criticise the administration of any other public bodies, they merely desire to have some information as to the expenditure, and will feel obliged if he kindly gives them this.

It was also Ordered that a grate for drain at end of Quay St, be

Tuesday 23rd July 1907 (Minutes Continued)

got from Dr John Lough

The presentation of The Royal Humane Society's medal and Certificate to Dr Patrick Dooley was made by the Chairman of the Comal who, after a very appropriate speech, in the course of which he warmly congratulated Dr Dooley on his many Acts of bravery in saving life, pinned the Medal on his breast.

Dr Dooley thanked the Comal very warmly for the interest they took in the matter of obtaining the Medal and referred at length to the many lives he had saved from drowning, and concluded by stating that should the necessity again arise, he would be prepared to do the same.

There were a large number of the general public present during the presentation

Proposed by Dr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Dr Dunphy

That a Meeting of the weighbridge Committee be held as soon as convenient, and that the committee be empowered to make all arrangements for the working of the weighbridge, and decide whether it shall be rented, or have a person appointed to take Charge of it, and that if possible they some suitable person to work it.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That advertisements be issued inviting Tenders for the Public Lighting of the town, same to be considered at next Meeting, tenders to go to Co to state price per Lamp for plain and incandescent burners.

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 6th August 1907

John L Hearn

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Monday 5th August 1907 Monthly meeting day.

No attendance of members.

The Meeting was adjourned to Tuesday 6th August 1907.

Patrick Furlong

Tuesday 6th August 1907

A meeting of the weighbridge committee was held this day at 11 O'Block A.M. to make arrangements for the working of the weighing machine.

Present Messrs James J Dooley
and
David Murphy

After considerable discussion the committee decided to appoint the Street Inspector temporary to take Charge of it on Next fair day, and decided to ask the Council to make permanent arrangements for the future management of it.

They ordered that the following be the scale of Charges for that day Viz:- Fat Cattle 4. Store Cattle 2, Pigs 1d.; and that the Clerk send Advertisements to the Press Notifying that the weighbridge will be Open on Next fair day, after which ——

The Committee Adjourned

Patrick Furlong

Patrick

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New Ross Tuesday 6th August 1907

A meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts Connected therewith.

Present Depts John S Hearn J.P. Chairman presiding
Peter Dr Murphy
John Hands
Edward Kehoe
and
David Dr Murphy

The Treasurer's Authority for Making Payments was signed by the Chairman and the ~~Cl~~ Edward Kehoe and Peter Dr Murphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued.

Viz:- Dr ff Trim, Petty Cash £23-12-5

Correspondence

27th July 1907 Letter from Dr Exshaw, Manager of The Bank of Ireland, complaining of the Obstruction and inconvenience caused by carts being allowed to stand in front of the Bank House during business hours

Ordered

That the Street Inspector be directed to have them all removed to the opposite side of the Quay.

2nd August 1907 Letter from Secretary Cork Industrial Development Association suggesting to the Council the advisability of supplying the Association with complete Copies of the Tender Forms at present in use by the Council when they will mark against those goods which are procurable of Irish manufacture, and will also supply a list of names and addresses of the Irish manufacturers of the goods in question

Ordered

That the Clerk inform the Secretary of the Association that the Council have not any Tender Forms in use, and also supply him with a list of the goods the Council are in the habit of getting supplied by Tender

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6th August 1907 Letter from The Rhuddlan Gas Co Ltd stating that they intend opening the ground at Rosbercon for the purpose of cleaning supply pipes.

No Order made

26th July 1907 Letter from Home Office enclosing copy a New Home Work Order intending the obligation of employers and Contractors to keep, and send to the Council, list of outworkers employed by them.

No Order made

24th July 1907 Letter from Commissioner of Valuation enclosing List of Cases in the Urban District requiring revision, (was Rosbercon schoolhouse rated in proper townland); and one acknowledging list of Tenements requiring revision.

No Order made

5th August 1907 Mr Andrew Cullen applied for permission to erect a hoarding at John's street Newbridge, where he is going to erect buildings for the Young Men's Christian Association.

Attention was drawn to the Congested Condition of that street usually during the Fair season, and, whilst the Council were anxious to accomodate Mr Cullen, feared the hoarding would cause great inconvenience. After a short discussion it was —

Ordered

That permission be given Mr Cullen to erect the hoarding As requested, but when the wall adjoining the street is built sufficiently high, the hoarding is to be raised, so as to permit foot passengers to pass under it.

30th July & 2nd Augt Letters from Secretary Co Council stating that he would forward a copy of the Estimates for the County Charges, and for the four Unions, and Districts of the County, in detail, and stating that he will be prepared to go to special pains to furnish the Newbridge Urban Council with any particulars they require; also one enclosing the particulars.

Ordered

That the particulars received from the Secretary of the Co Council be referred to the Finance Committee for report

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Letter from the Secretary of The Cork Harbour Commissioners informing the Council that the Assistant Postmaster General U.S.A. would arrive in Cork on the 8th Inst and arrangements were being made for a Meeting with him in the their Office on that date, to put before him the views of Public Bodies as to the inconvenience caused by the disembarkation of the American homeward mails at Plymouth instead of Queenstown, and asking the Council to authorise the Commissioners to state that they are in Sympathy with the Object of the meeting.

Ordered

That the Cork Harbour Harbour Commissioners be authorised to inform Assistant Postmaster U.S.A, that this Council are of opinion that the homeward American mails should be disembarked at Queenstown, and they desire to unite with other Public Bodies in requiring the White Star Co to disembark them there.

A Paying Order for £9.10.3 received from The Chief Secretary for Probate Duty was ordered to be lodged to the Credit of the Council.

The Clerk stated that some Town Court Summons Forms, and Warrant Forms, were required for the Clerk of Petty Sessions and it was ordered that they be obtained from Messrs Thom & Sons. It was also ordered that the Pound Gate be repaired by Mr Power Priory St, and that advertisements be issued inviting Tenders for the supply of One doz of Fire Brooms, Irish Manufacture, two loadfloads of gravel, and one loadload of Sand; also that the Order given sometime ago to Reacy be cancelled, as he failed to supply it, and that One be ordered from Mr Hurley

Street Inspectors Reports

He found the several Streets and Lanes of the town clean each day; the Drain which conveys surface water from pump at Three Bullet Gate is Choked; as is also about sixty yards of water Table, at North side, with weeds and grass. There is a Heap of manure ready for Sale in the Yard. The Newcastle Tea Co are allowing boxes &c on the Street, outside

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their premises each day since last meeting, although they gave an undertaking sometime ago, when a prosecution was withdrawn, not to deposit any on the street in future. A bolt which fastened one of the hinges of the door of Cattle weighing machine at Inishtown is broken and should be repaired at once.

Ordered

That the Street Inspector get the drain at Three Bullet Gate Pump cleared, and that the Foreman have the one at North side of William Street cleaned.

That the heap of manure be advertised for sale, and that the Clerk inform the Newcastle Tea Co, the Council cannot permit anything to be deposited on the street.

That John Keogh repair bolt of hinge of weighing machine, and have bolt arranged so that door can be locked.

The following proposal for the public lighting of the town for year ending 1st September 1908 was received from The New Ross Gas Co. Viz:-

Winter Lighting from 1st Sept. 1907 to 1st May 1908

50 Lamps to be extinguished at 11 Oclock P.M. @ £2.2.0 per lamp
14 " to remain lighting all night @ £3.10.0 per lamp.
The above Lamps not to be lighted on nights of full moon, that is, two nights before, the night of full moon, and two nights after; 31 lamps to be lighted on nights of full moon and extinguished at 11 Oclock at 7/6 per lamp.

Summer Lighting

from 1st May 1908 to 1st September 1908
15 Lamps to remain lighting all night, save on nights of full moon at 17/- per lamp. The lamps at the Shobel to be charged at £5.12.6 per annum. Any of the foregoing Lamps fitted with incandescent burners will be charged at 7/6 per lamp extra per annum except the lamp at the Shobel which will be fitted free of charge. A four foot burner per hour will be used, sample of which was sent. The upkeep to be charged to the Council at cost price.

A discussion took place respecting the advisability of having some of the lamps fitted with incandescent burners, during which the Clerk stated that

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the Manager informed him that the 7/6 for incandescent burners would only be charged for one year, the only charge for subsequent years would be for the mantles.

Proposed by Mr Peter Brophy and
Seconded by Mr Hand

That the proposal of The Alliance Gas Co for the public lighting of the town for year ending 1st September be accepted, the same number of lamps to be fitted with incandescent burners as were previously fitted, and in addition, the lamp in Crosslane opposite entrance to New Church, and one at Sessions house corner, provided that the cost of 7/6 is only to be charged for the coming year, and that they will be fitted each year after with incandescent burners without any extra cost beyond the Mantles.

Passed Unanimously

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 13th August 1907

Patrick Griffin

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Tuesday 13th August 1907

A meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 4.30 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs Patrick Dunphy presiding
Peter Dunphy
David Dunphy
and
John Hand

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Dunphy and John Hand, and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 88 —	Morgan Bros.	£	10.8.5
" 89 —	Messrs Petty Cash		14.10.10
" 90 "	Same		8.6.8
" 91 "	School Attendance Committee		8.6.5
" 92 "	James Barron		2.8.9
" 93 "	Thos. Martin		17.11
" 94 "	Patrick Redmond		4.6.8
" 95 —	Same		4.6.8
" 96 —	John Dobin		12.10.0
" 97 —	Henry Pooley & Son		25.0.0
" 98 —	R Morris		15.6
" 99 —	W.G. Whitney		6.0
" 100 —	Jeremiah O'Donovan		34.0.0
" 101 —	John J Browne		11-9-8
" 102 —	Gt Southern & Western Railway		17.0
" 103 —	Loans Account Patrick Blake		500-0-0
" 104 —	" " Jeremiah Murphy		15-0.0

An application was received from Messrs Pooley & Son Ltd., dated 8th August, for payment of their account £05, for supplying and erecting Weighbridge, and it was ordered that same be paid.

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Correspondence

New Ross
8th. August 1907

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by Dorr William Dunphy of Michael St to claim damages for injuries sustained by him in Consequence of the Negligent Condition in which the footpath at Michael St was left by the workmen of Dorr Council. The injuries were sustained on Monday the 29th. Ult at 11 Oclock P.M.

Please say if Dorr Council is prepared to Consider the claim otherwise I will take proceedings in reference thereto.

Awaiting Dorr reply

I am Faithfully
M.J. Delany

Dr Firm
Clerk of Urban Council

Ordered That the Consideration of this letter be adjourned to next meeting, the members to be summoned to consider it.

Letter from Gas Co. dated 12th. August 1907, agreeing to the terms of the Council for the lighting of incandescent Lamps, as specified in the resolution of the Council, passed at last meeting, as far as the number of Lamps previously fitted with these burners are concerned.

No Order made

Letter from Dorr Edward J Burrow, Art printer, and Publisher, Cheltenham London, stating that he proposes to include a Pocket Guide for this Urban District in the "Borough Guide Exchange Scheme, and to present one thousand Copies free of Charge, on the understanding that the required quantity of advertisers in the blank pages of the book will be secured. It was ordered that Dorr Burrow be informed that the Council, whilst willing to assist in the production and publication of the

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Guide are not prepared to undertake any financial responsibility in the matter

A proposal was received from Mr Edward Maher of 8/= per ton for a quantity of old metal in the fish house, and it was ordered to be accepted.

Mr Patrick Carroll tendered to supply two boatloads of Sh Mullins Gravel at 30/= per boatload, and one boatload of sand at 25/=, and on the proposal of Mr David Murphy seconded by Mr Peter Murphy it was accepted, it being the only tender received

Proposals were received for the supply of one dozen of fine brushes, from Mrs Hennessy, who tendered at 24/=, Patrick Hand at 20/= per doz, Mr Hutchinson North St, at 17/6, 18/6, and 22/= per doz. Samples were submitted, and the one sent in by Mr Hutchinson at 22/= selected, and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr Hand it was ordered that Mr Hutchinson's tender for the supply of one doz at 22/= be accepted.

The Collector reported a list of tenants who owed over four weeks rent, and amongst them was Joseph Allen who owed 16/6, and it was Ordered that the Council Solicitors be instructed to take up possession of this house if the rent is paid and that they also proceed against his surety for Amount of rent due and Costs incurred in obtaining possession of the house.

The Collector also reported that he had taken out decrees against Nathaniel Hammond, and Daniel Murphy for Amount of rates due to 31st March 1908, and asked instructions in the Matter. D Murphy's rate and arrears was £9.3.4½ and N Hammond £5-8-1½. He has served ten days Notices and Demand Notes on the other defaulters.

Ordered

That the consideration of the cases of Nathaniel Hammond, and Daniel Murphy be adjourned to next meeting, the Collector to do his best to collect the amount in the meantime.

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It having been stated that Mr Roche's father-in-law died since last meeting the following resolution of sympathy was:-
Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy Viz:-

"That we"
"tender to Mr Joseph Roche, a respected member of"
"our Council, and to Mrs Roche, our sincere sympathy"
"and Condolence on the death of her dear father."

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk stated that Mr James O'Farrell Dewley had called to the Office and complained again of the unwell state of the Channel opposite his yard at Dewley St, and asked the Council to have it repaired, but the matter was referred to the Street Committee to report upon it.

The Clerk submitted a return showing Amount of Poor Rate, and Town Rate Collected and outstanding at date as follows

Poor Rate —	Collected	£235-12-6	Outstanding	£383-6-7
Town Rate —	Do	£562-1-4	Do	£1141-4-1½

Ordered

That the Town Rate Collector be directed to proceed with his Collection more expeditiously

The monthly accounts were submitted for payment and having been examined it was proposed by Mr David Murphy and Seconded by Mr Hand that the accounts submitted (see list at Commencement of Minutes) be paid. Passed Unanimously

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he had the surface Water drain at Three Bullet Gate Opened and Cleared, and that he found the several Streets and Lanes Clean. On the Ninth Inst he visited the public weighbridge on the Quay and found that owing to the Negligence of the person in Charge the Machine was twenty

pounds out of balance. He had it put right before leaving. On hearing Complaints by the public about it he went again on the next day to examine it when Doyle who is in charge of it abused him.

He attended at the new Cattle weighing Machine on fair day. Four "store" cattle were weighed. The Machine gave great satisfaction. A small desk is required in it as there is no place to lay a book on to total the weight of Cattle.

Ordered

That Insp Drake be informed the Board place a responsible, and proper person in Charge of the public weighbridge or surrender the Tenancy of it.

That a small desk be fitted for use of person in Charge of weighing Machine.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 27th August 1907

John L Keane

Monday 2nd September 1907

Monthly meeting day.

No attendance of members.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 10th September 1907.

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Tuesday 27th August 1907

a meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council to be held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider a letter from W. T. Hearn Esq Solicitor, on behalf of Wm Dunphy, claiming compensation for an accident, alleged to be caused by an opening in foot-path of street, also to appoint delegates to a consumption conference to be held in Waterford on 10th Sept 1907.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
John Hand
and
Patrick Dunphy

A Quorum not having assembled the meeting adjourned to Wednesday 28th August 1907

John S Hearn

Wednesday 28th August 1907

an adjourned meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider a letter from W. T. Hearn Esq, Solicitor, on behalf of Wm Dunphy, claiming compensation for an accident, alleged to be caused by an opening in footpath of street.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
John Hand
Edward Kehoe
Patrick Dunphy
Wm G. Williams
David
and
Murphy

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The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Wm. Ly. Williams and Edward Kehoe and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 105	M. J. Finn	Newross	£ 24 - 17 - 4
" 106	Loans account	Patrick Blake	400 - 0 - 0

Correspondence

31 a Bachelors Walk.
Dublin. 15th August 1907.

Dear Sir.

We are in receipt of yours enclosing draft value £25. for which we are obliged. With reference to the packing kindly return same to our Works Albion Foundry, Kidsgrove, North Staffordshire carriage paid, on receipt of same credit note will be forwarded to you for same.

Yours faithfully.
H. Pooley & Son Ltd
John L. Smallman.

The Clerk explained that he directed the Street Inspector to have the packing prepared for return to Messrs Pooley & Son, and when he proceeded to Fish House, where it had been stored, he found it had been removed therefrom and could not be traced.

Ordered

That Messrs Pooley & Son be informed the packing has been mis-laid and ask them, under the circumstances, to send a credit note for it.

Arising out of this it was ordered that the Foreman get a key for the Fish House, so that he can lock up the workmen's tools and give them out, and that another be kept in the office for use if required.

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Letter from Edward J. Burrow Art Printer & Publisher, dated 19th August 1907, pointing out that there will be no expense incurred by the Council in connection with the issue of the Pocket Guide as he merely wishes to issue it under the auspices of the Council. As he proposed to recoup himself entirely for the expenditure by the support of advertisers he would be glad to be informed what time of the year was considered best to approach advertisers in New Ross.

Ordered

That Mr Burrow be informed the Council have no objection to him publishing the Guide under their auspices, and with their general approval provided, as already explained that they incur no financial or other responsibility in connection with the publication.

They also consider that from now to end of year would be the best time to solicit advertisements.

Letter from Messrs Philip Pierce & Co dated 8th August, asking if the Council are now in a position to order some Bi-lingual street name plates about which they wrote last June, and the Clerk was directed to inform Messrs Pierce & Co that the name plates are not required by the Council as they have already erected wooden ones.

Letter from Mr Roche acknowledging receipt of vote of sympathy with him passed by the Council on the occasion of the death of his father-in-law.

Letter from Mr Hearn Solicitor, acknowledging receipt of Council's letter of 16th August, relative to accident to Wm. Dunphy.

No order made

Mr Edward Browne Creacon, tendered for the supply of two heaps of manure at 12/- each, but as there was only one unsold

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the tender was accepted for one at 12/-.

Mor Thomas Martin Fair Gate, tendered to keep the chimneys of fifty-five houses clean and free from soot, for one year for £3-11-8, and it was
Proposed by Mor Kehoe and
Seconded by Mor Dunphy

That the tender of Thomas Martin be accepted for one year from the 1st September 1907.

Passed Unanimously

Edward Neville Newtown, applied for a boatload of stones to break but as the supply was now getting limited it was decided to confine the quantity to the four men already appointed.

The following letter was received from Miss Maher :-

Mary St.
New Ross, 20th August 1907.

Chairman & Gentlemen,

At your last meeting of the Council there was a report lodged by Mor Butler to the effect that the machine at the public weighbridge at the Quay, was not fair owing to the negleginee of the man in charge through that report. I received a notice to surrender the machine to the Council or find a competent man. I beg to inform the Council that the man in charge is fully competent of his business and also of the machine as for the 30 lbs out of balance, the man state it was only 20 lbs, and that was caused by mud or muck from the night before. I also beg to inform you that I do not hold the weighbridge by privelege but by tenancy paying rent and rates for the past 50 years. I trust Gentlemen you will kindly consider this matter in my favour.

I am Respectfully,
Bridget Maher.

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The blerk reported that Sergt. Grooves Enniscorthy, the bounty Inspector of Weighbridges, tested it, on to-day and found it practically correct. He also tested the new one erected at Irishtown, and found it all right.

after some discussion it was ordered "That the scales be regularly and frequently inspected by the blerk to ascertain if it is kept clean, and in proper balance, and that he report to the bouncil if he finds it is not kept in proper working order.

The blerk reminded the bouncil that no letter had yet been received from the Local Government Board in reply to theirs asking when Mr Byrne ceased to be Town Surveyor and it was

Ordered

That the Board be asked to kindly favour the bouncil with a reply.

The blerk also reported that Mr James Phelan had not attended a meeting of the bouncil for the past six months. He would he thought, be liable to a Fine, and asked to be directed to apply to The Local Government Board for instructions, and an order was accordingly passed as requested by the blerk.

The consideration of the steps to be taken by the bollector relative to the non-payment of rates by Messrs Dant. Murphy and N. Hammond, was adjourned to next Finance meeting of the bouncil.

It was also ordered that tenders be invited for the painting of the Weighbridge shed, and iron work of weighbridge, with two coats of Kereosone.

The blerk reported that Pilot Allen, who was a tenant of the bouncil, had died recently, his widow was in occupation of the house.

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Ordered That Mrs allen be directed to make application for the tenancy of the house, and provide sureties for the payment of her rent.

That officer also reported that Mary Doyle, who is also a tenant of the Council, had gone into the Workhouse and her son was now in occupation of the house. There was no security in her case for the payment of the rent as she was a very old tenant. It was agreed not to take any action in the matter for the present, beyond instructing the Collector to get the rent from the son if possible.

Street Inspectors Reports

He found the several streets and lanes of the town clean each day. Mr Looney had a large crate on the street outside his premises in Charles St from the 16th to 22nd of present month and would not take it in.

He found a man named James Mc. Donald rolling a loaded truck on the footpath. He cautioned this man before.

Ordered That Matthew Looney be informed the Council cannot permit boxes to be stored on the streets and if he does not remove his, the necessary steps will have to be taken to compel him to do so.

It was decided not to prosecute James Mc. Donald for this time, but he or any person else is caught in the future, will be prosecuted.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 10th Sept 1907.

John L. Kearns

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Tuesday 10th September 1907

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
John Hand
John and Fanning

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and John Fanning and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 107	Secretary to Council	Wexford,	£294 - 0 - 9
" 108	M. J. Finn	NewRoss	8 - 6 - 8
" 109	Do (Petty Cash)	"	21 - 9 - 6
" 110	John Tobin	"	3 - 2 - 6
" 111	D. & S. E. Rly Co	Dublin	1 - 6 - 2
" 112	James Barron	NewRoss	2 - 5 - 4
" 113	Jeremiah ODonovan	Waterford	34 - 0 - 0
" 114	Thomas Byrne	NewRoss	2 - 7 - 0
" 115	Patrick Power	"	1 - 5 - 0
" 116	John J. Browne	"	7 - 0 - 6
" 117	Margt. Roche	Ballyanne, "	30 - 11 - 0
" 118	Jeremiah Murphy	Loans account	12 - 0 - 0
" 119	Patrick Blake	Loans Account	1400 - 0 - 0

A Paying Order value £23 - 17 - 6 was received from the Irish Land Commission being Interest on Purchase Money of Messrs Thorpe and Delaney and it was ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

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Technical Instruction Committee,
NewRoss, 7th Sept 1907.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by my Committee to refer your Council to my letter to them, of the 8th August, 1906, respecting the undertaking of a loan for the building of a new Technical School for NewRoss in consideration of the special offer made by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and I am to inquire as to the action your Council propose taking thereon.

Under date, 20th August of this year, the Department wrote my Committee renewing the offer of the annual £50 Grant.

But under date, 3rd Inst., inquiring how the School proposal stands, the Department say they "will not be prepared to continue to allocate a Special Grant for this purpose unless there is a reasonable prospect that it will be utilised at an early date".

I may add that since my letter of last August twelve month was written the Department have definitely declined to sanction the Town Hall premises as suitable or capable of being made suitable for technical Instruction purposes.

I am,
Yours faithfully,
Edward Long.
Secretary.

M. J. Finn Esq

Ordered

That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to consider this letter and take such action thereon as may be deemed advisable.

No 38,622. 1907
NewRoss Urban Dist

Local Government Board, Dublin,
2nd September 1907.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 25th July last, relative to the dismissal of Mr Thomas Byrne from the office

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of Town Surveyor of NewRoss Urban District. I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to state that, while it does not devolve on the Board to advise the Council as to the date up to which Mr Byrne's salary should be paid, they are of opinion that he ceased to hold the office of Town Surveyor on and from the date of the Council's resolution dismissing him from that position.

I am to add that the Urban District Council must, however, be prepared to act on their own responsibility in the matter.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
H. Courteney.
Assistant Secretary.

Ordered

That Mr Byrne be paid his salary, and also office & Stationery allowed up to the date of his dismissal, as Town Surveyor, by the Council.

A letter was received from E. J. Burrow Esq Art Publisher, acknowledging receipt of information respecting publication of Pocket Guide and stating that he will apply to advertisers between now and Christmas as suggested.

A Notification dated 26th August, was received from the Commissioner of Valuation that he had appointed W. J. Bastow to make the annual Revision of the Urban District and that same would be begun about the 29th Inst.

The Clerk stated that he had given public notice of the intended revision and this was approved of.

Patrick O'Connor, tenant of the Pound applied for a new lock for it, and an order was made that same be obtained.

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31 a Bachelors Walk.
Dublin, 30th August 1907.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 29th we beg to state that we allow half price for empty cases, when not returned, so if you will kindly forward us P.O. for 5/=. we will have the matter cleared in our Books.

Yours faithfully,
H. Pooley & Son Ltd.

M. J. Finn Esq.

Ordered

That the amount be paid out of Petty Cash.

The Clerk reported that the amount of Rates outstanding at date is as follows Town Rate - £ 953 . 18 . 0 , Poor Rate — £ 224 . 17 . 1 .

That the Town Rate Collector be directed to proceed with his collection more expeditiously.

An application was received from Kate Allen for the Tenancy of the house in William St, in which she resides, her late husband being the former tenant, and on the proposal of Mr Murphy seconded by Mr Fanning she was accepted, and the sureties Messrs James Kennedy and Thomas Fitzgerald approved of.

Report of Collector

New Ross, 10th Sept 1907.

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to report that the weekly Tenants are paying their rents very well with a few exceptions.

Tenants owing one months rent

Mary Doyle William St. , 13 . 9 . This woman is in the infirmary and there is a son of hers in the house, I asked him for the key and he stated that

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there was no key for the house, but he was satisfied to give up possession of the house.

John O'Neill William St, rent 1/9 per week, 11/6 due, this tenant is reducing arrears by 3d. per week.

Edward Whitty rent due 11/= amount per week 1/9.
Anne Ryan " 11/8 " 1/9
James Kehoe " 8/6 " 1/9
Ellen Donovan " 7/9 " 1/9
Joseph Allen " 14/6 " 1/9

Your Obedient Servant,
John J. Browne.

In reference to tenancy of Mrs Doyle the Clerk stated that her son Tom promised that he would give up possession on two occasions but failed to do so up to the present.

Mr Hand undertook to see a nephew of Mrs Doyle's, who probably has the key, and get it from him and there was no further order made.

A number of bills were submitted and examined (see list at commencement of minutes) after which payment was ordered, on the proposal of Mr Fanning seconded by Mr Hand.

Street Inspector's Reports

He found the several streets and lanes of the Town clean each day. Matthew Cooney has had a large box on the street outside his premises every day since last meeting.

He also reported that he attended at the Weighing machine Irishtown, from 5.30 A.M. to 12 o'clock noon, it was not used to-day.

He would ask the Council to kindly consider the question of remuneration for attending it.

Ordered — That the Clerk inform Mr Cooney on

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following day that if the box is not removed forthwith off the street he will be prosecuted, and if Mr Looney does not remove it the Clerk instruct the Council's Solicitors to take legal proceedings against him.

That the members of the Council be summoned to next meeting to consider application of Street Inspector for remuneration for attending weighing machine, also to make permanent arrangements for having it attended to.

The Clerk reported that William Edwards required ropes and ladders to repair roof of Mrs Galavins house and he did not like to borrow them from any trademan for the use of Edwards.

It was agreed not to ask the ladders or ropes but instead to get a Tender for its repair and also for putting in the new windows recommended by the Committee, from the Builders in Town.

The Clerk also inquired whether Edwards would be employed to repair the wall at Rosbercon, and after some discussion the matter was referred to the Street Committee.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 24th September 1907.

John L Kearns

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Tuesday 24th September 1907

a meeting of the NewRoss Urban District council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider a letter from Technical Instruction committee relative to the council undertaking a loan for the building of a Technical School for NewRoss; also an application by the Street Inspector for remuneration for work done in connection with the erection of Weighbridge and attendance at same on Fair days, and appoint a permanent caretaker for it.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
Joseph Roche
David Murphy
John Hand
James B. Hearn
Wm. Ly. and Williams

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Wm. Ly. Williams and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 120 M. J. Flinn (Petty Cash) £21.18.1

The following correspondence was read Viz:-

No 45,778: 1907
NewRoss Urban Dist

Local Government Board, Dublin,
11th Sept 1907.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 29th Ultimo, relative to a vacancy on the NewRoss Urban District council,

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created by the non-attendance of a member for six months, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to draw attention to the terms of article 12 (9) and (10) of the Schedule to the Local Government (application of Enactments) order 1898, from which it will be seen that in the circumstances it devolves on the Council to declare the office of Councillor held by the member in question to be vacant.

I am to add that under Section 19 of the Commissioners Clauses Act, 1847, the vacancy should be filled, if the Council see fit, within one month from the date of the resolution declaring the office vacant.

I am Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

A. R. Barlas.

Secretary.

Proposed by Mr J. Roche and
Seconded by Mr W. J. Williams

That this meeting declares a vacancy exists in the Council owing to the dis-qualification of Mr James Phelan.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to elect a member in room of Mr James Phelan dis-qualified.

Letters were received from the Gas Co. stating that they will have to open the ground at foot of High Hill and opposite the Boat Club at Rosbercon, but there was no order made.

The Surveyor of Taxes, notified an assessment of 15/6 on profits of weighing machine at Quay.

No order made

Copies of an order in Council dealing with the storing &c

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of Petroleum, and also directing that certain portions of the Petroleum Acts shall apply to Mixtures of Petroleum were received from the Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant and ordered to be filed for future reference.

The application of the Technical Committee to the Council asking the latter to negotiate a loan for the purpose of building a Technical School was considered and after some discussion the Clerk was directed to write to The Town Clerk of Wicklow, asking him what the cost of building the Technical School in Wicklow was, also its dimensions, and the material of which it is constructed. In the meantime the further consideration of the application of the NewRoss Technical Committee was adjourned.

The meeting allowed the Street Inspector 2/6 for superintending erection of cattle weighing machine at Irishtown and ordered that it be advertised to be let to, on a weekly tenancy, the Council reserving the right to inspect the machine at any time and see that it was kept in proper working Order.

Mr J. B. Hearn drew attention to the heroic action of Patrick Rossiter of Neville St, who on the 17th August plunged into the river Barrow and rescued a fellow workman. The following resolution was
Proposed by Mr Hearn and
Seconded by Mr Roche

"That we the NewRoss Urban District Council, beg to direct the attention of The Royal Humane Society to the heroic action of Patrick Rossiter Neville St. NewRoss, in plunging into the River Barrow at NewRoss, on the 17th August, at imminent peril to his life, and rescuing therefrom a fellow workman, and we respectfully request the Society to award him their medal

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in recognition of his bravery".

Passed Unanimously

A discussion took place respecting the size of the cart used by the Contractor in removing street sweepings. Some members contended that it was much too small and suggested to the Contractor, who was present, that he should get a much larger one with a deeper body and crank axle springs. Mr J. B. Hearn considered it unfair to expect the Contractor to provide such a cart as he might not be contractor next year. It was eventually decided to obtain a specification, and price of similar cart used by The Dublin Corporation for the information of the Council.

The Street Inspector reported that pieces of kerbing are loose in Quay St, Sugar Ho Lane, and Priory Lane. The foreman scavenger has repaired those, but he find that they are in a worse state when he had finished than when he began. For fear of an accident he would suggest that a competent person be got to do this work.

Ordered That the matter be referred to the Street Committee.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 8th October 1907.

John S Hearn

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Tuesday 8th October 1907

a Quarterly meeting of the NewRoss Urban Council to be held this day at 7. oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
John Hand
Patrick Dunphy
David and Murphy

There being no Quarterly business to transact, the meeting adjourned to Tuesday 14th January 1907.

Tuesday 8th October 1907

a meeting of the Finance committee was held this day at 6.30 oclock P.M.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
Peter and Murphy

The committee examined the Abstract of uncollected Poor Rate, amounting to £21.9.6½, and recommended that same be cancelled, they also examined a number of bills which were submitted for payment, and ordered them to be paid.

Proposed by Mr Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr Hill

That the report of the Finance committee be adopted and payments ordered by them be made.

The meeting adjourned

Passed

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Tuesday 8th October 1907

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider application of Technical Committee in reference to building of new Hall, adjourned from last meeting, elect a member of the Council in the room of Mr James Phelan dis-qualified; and consider letter on behalf of Wm Dunphy claiming £10 damages, with £2·2·0, costs, for accident on Michael St footpath.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
Patrick Dunphy
John Hand
David and Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Samuel Hill and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No	121	P. A. Jeffares	£ 1 · 9 · 9
"	122	James Barron	17 · 5 · 10
"	123	M. J. Finn	2 · 0 · 1
"	124	John J. Browne	7 · 1 · 5
"	125	St Stephens Cemetery Cte	4 · 13 · 6
"	126	Gas Co	16 · 18 · 11
"	127	Graves &Co	7 · 1 · 6
"	128	Technical Instruction Cte	17 · 14 · 10
"	129	W. F. Hearn	18 · 0
"	130	Hely's Ltd. Dublin	4 · 18 · 0
"	131	John M. Walsh Wexford	3 · 0
"	132	M. J. Finn	8 · 6 · 8

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No	133	M. J. Finn	£ 6 .. 5 .. 0
"	134	Cashiers Bank of Ireland	44 .. 5 .. 7
"	135	Do	60 .. 7 .. 11
"	136	Do	215 .. 13 .. 3
"	137	M. J. Finn	19 .. 14 .. 4
"	138	Patrick Blake Loans a/c	890 .. 0 .. 0
"	139	Jeremiah Murphy Loans a/c	12 .. 0 .. 0
"	140	Urban Dist Council Loans a/c	129 .. 17 .. 11

The following correspondence was read:—

Urban District of Wicklow,
3rd October 1907.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of 1st Inst. I am to state that the Technical Schools were erected by the County Wicklow Joint Technical Instruction at a cost of £450 .. 0 .. 0.

The school contains, Workshop, Cookery and Dressmaking room, Art and Commercial Class room, Secretary's office, W. C's &c, the whole being built of corrigated iron & timber with concrete foundations the latter cost £146; total cost of the structure about £600.

The Technical Instruction Department paid for the Schools and Urban Council for the foundations.

Yours faithfully,
H. W. McPhail
Town Clerk.

M. J. Finn Esq

Ordered

That the matter be again referred to the Finance Committee, the Secretary to the Technical Instruction Committee to notify his Committee when Department's Inspector is next in town.

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A circular letter was received from the Board of Trade asking for a Return of all persons who sent to the Council a list of outworkers for the second Statutory period (August) of 1907 as same was required in connection with the census of production of the United Kingdom of 1907.

The Clerk stated that no list had been received, and he was directed to inform the Board of Trade accordingly.

A circular letter was received from The Local Government Board calling attention to the revised memorandum of Instructions with regard to Provisional Orders but there was no order made upon it.

The following report was received from Mr Cullen in reference to the condition of the wall of Miss Molloy's house.

New Ross,
October 7th 1907.

Dear Sir,

In compliance with order of your Council, bearing date 1st October, I have inspected the wall of the house occupied by Miss Molloy, and find the top portion opposite Post office yard in a bad state, it may fall down at any moment, and cause serious accident. All the brick-work in this wall, and chimney adjoining should be taken down and rebuilt in good brick and cement.

Your Obedient Servant,
Andrew Cullen.

Ordered That a copy of this report be sent to Mr Peter J. Byrne owner of the house and also to Miss Kate Molloy the occupier and that notice be also served on both requiring them, within two weeks from the service of it, to cause

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the wall to be put in such repair as will render it safe to the occupiers and the public.

A letter was also received from Major Mahon, Surveyor of the Post office dated 30th Ult, stating that he was glad to learn that steps were being taken regarding the condition of the wall and asked to be furnished with a copy of Mr Cullen's report.

Ordered

That Major Mahon be furnished with a copy of the report, and of the order made upon it.

A letter was received from the Secretary of the Lighting Committee Dublin Corporation stating that the Council's letter of enquiry as to the cost of a cleansing cart has been forwarded to the Superintendent of the Cleansing Department who will furnish the particulars asked for.

Thomas Murphy William St, applied for the tenancy of a house at William St, lately occupied by Mary Doyle, and offered James Connolly as Surety, and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy Seconded by Mr Hill he was accepted as tenant.

The meeting next proceeded to co-opt a member in the room of Mr James Phelan dis-qualified and it was

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy

"That Mr John Murphy John St, be elected a member of the Council in the room of Mr James Phelan dis-qualified.

Passed Unanimously

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Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that since last meeting, with the exception of three days in which Keilthy was engaged opening a sewer, he found the several streets and lanes clean.

Portion of the footpath at Sherry's road is in a dangerous state, it would be well to have it repaired at once fearing an accident. One or two extra men will be required on the Town for the Winter.

There is one heap of manure for Sale.

Thomas Butler

Ordered

That the question of repairing the footpath be referred to the Street Committee.

That an extra man be employed by the week for sometime, preferably the young man Power which the Council had employed last Winter.

That the heap of manure be advertised for sale.

The following letter and certificate relative to the accident to William Dunphy were considered in Committee Viz:—

New Ross,
2nd October, 1907.

Dunphy Claim

Dear Sir,

. Replying to inquiry as to amount that above would be settled for, I am directed to inform you that same would be discharged by payment of £10 and £2 . 2 . 0, costs.

Having regard to the condition of the man, I must request an early and definite reply. I enclose Doctor's certificate for your perusal.

Yours faithfully,
W. F. Hearn.

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To certify that Wm Dunphy Michael St. is suffering from the result of an accident in July, he has been unfit to work since and will not be fit for one month.

Signed

Sept 30th 1907. W. Óbonnor.

after considerable discussion, and the examination of the Street Inspector as to the condition in which he left the footpath on the evening of the alleged accident, it was

Ordered

That a committee consisting of the Chairman and Mr Peter Murphy be empowered to wait on Dunphy's Solicitor and come to the best settlement possible with him, as the Council believe they are liable for damages.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 22nd October 1907.

J. Hearn

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Monday 21st October 1907

a meeting of the bommittee appointed to consider claim of Wm Dunphy for compensation for alleged accident in Michael St, and arrange settlement of same, or otherwise met this day at 12.30 oclock P.M.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
Peter and Murphy

Since last meeting of the bouncil a bivil Bill had been served for £19.0.0. It was now mentioned that Dunphy's Solicitor had offered, on behalf of him, to accept £5.0.0 and £2.2.0 costs, but this amount the bommittee considered excessive. They accordingly directed the blerk to interview the bouncil's Solicitor and instruct him to defend the action, and also authorize him to lodge in bourt a sum not exceeding £2.0.0, after which, the meeting adjourned.

At 3.30 P.M. the following letter was received from Messrs bolfer & Gethin in reference to the case of Dunphy v Urban bouncil.

Newross.
21st October 1907.

Dunphy v Urban bouncil

Dear Sir,

With reference to the bivil Bill which you have left here just now, we understand from you that the bouncil admit liability, and that the bhairman and another member of your bouncil have been in negociations with the Plaintiff's Solicitor as to a settlement of the case. If this is so we cannot see any necessity for interviewing Mr Butler on the subject, as we presume he does not propose to give any evidence as to the damage sustained.

With regard to your suggestion to lodge money

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in bourt we have to inform you that this cannot be done. The action is what is called an action in tort and in such cases the bounty bourt procedure does not admit of lodgement in bourt. Personally we think the offer to settle for £5 and £2-2-0 costs is not very extravagant, and we think it probable the Judge will give a decree for at least that sum.

Yours very truly,
bolfer & Lyethin.

M. J. Finn Esq

The bommittee having again met and considered the letter, directed the blerk to inform the bouncil's Solicitor that the bommittee on behalf of the bouncil did not admit liability in the case, and request him to defend it.

John Stears

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Tuesday 22nd October 1907

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S. Heam J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
John Hand
John Fanning
Joseph Roche
David Murphy
Wm. G. Williams
John Sand Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Samuel Hill and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz;-

No 141 M. J. Finn £23 . 16 . 10

The following correspondence was read Viz;-

Baunmore,
NewRoss, 16th October 1907.

Dear Mr Finn,

Enclosed I send you my cheque value £1 . 14 . 2 to pay for 82 loads of road stuff @ 5d a load.

If your council will be so good as to keep a heap in same place and at same terms, I shall be glad to have it. I wont draw it until April.

Yours truly,
Edward Neville.

Ordered

That Mr Neville's proposal for the road

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scrapings on Greywell road at 5d. per load be accepted.

No 50,627. 1907
New Ross Urban Dist

Local Government Board, Dublin,
16th October 1907.

Sir,

With reference to previous correspondence, relative to the office of Town Surveyor of New Ross Urban District, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to request that you will be so good as to state what steps the Council have taken to comply with the requirements of Section 7 of the Towns Improvement Clauses Act, 1847, as to the appointment of a duly qualified Town Surveyor.

By Order of the Board,
Pierce Kent.

Ordered That the consideration of this letter be adjourned to next meeting the members to be summoned to attend same.

A proposal to purchase heap of manure at wall in Council's yard on Quay for 25/=, was received from Mr John Redmond Verosland, and it was ordered that same be accepted.

An application was received from James Keilthy and Edward Broaders, two of the Council's Workmen, for a suit of oilclothes and it was ordered that each be supplied with a suit, same to be of Irish Manufacture.

A circular letter dated 18th October was received from the Local Government Board, forwarding a copy of the "Advertisements Regulation Act 1907" under which local Authorities are empowered to make Bye Laws respecting the exhibition of Advertisements but there was no order made upon it.

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A letter was received from the Secretaries of The Limerick Industrial Association informing the Council that the third Annual Conference of the Association will be held in Limerick, on the 27th and 28th of November, and inviting the appointment of two delegates to attend the Conference. They also enclosed a circular showing the enormous amount of money spent annually by Ireland on imported goods.

The meeting decided not to appoint delegates to the Conference, but that every member of the Council should do all that is possible to support Irish Manufacture goods.

A Letter was received from the Superintendent of the Cleansing Department of the Dublin Corporation enclosing sketch of mud cart in use by them, and cost of same, also dimensions and cost of Domestic Cart, the former of which cost £35 . 0 . 2 complete, and the latter £18 . 11 . 11 without wheels and £23 . 18 . 1, with wheels. He also stated that three Dublin Firms had made carts of the pattern and would understand what was required.

Ordered

That the Dublin Firms referred to be asked to quote price of same giving also dimensions and sketch.

The Clerk reported that the hoardings fixed on the Council's yard at Henry St, were not yet removed as ordered at a previous meeting.

Ordered

That Miss Doyle, and Messrs Hartigan Bros. be again directed to have the hoardings removed at once and if they fail to do so, the Council will take the necessary legal steps to have them removed.

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An application was received from James Kehoe Holly House Lane, to have the following repairs done to his house which he holds as weekly tenant from the Council Viz:-

One Fire grate in room
One lock & latch on Front door
One latch on back door

A similar application was received from J. Murphy Wm St, to have the following work done Viz:-

plastering on walls
One grate upstairs
new range
latches on back and front doors

Ordered

That Mr James Connolly builder, be directed to have the foregoing repairs carried out on these houses and also repair the shutes on the Church Lane houses.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That Mr John Murphy be elected a member of the Street Committee.

Passed Unanimously.

The Street Inspector reported that during the fortnight he found with the exception of the upper portion of Maiden Lane, the several streets and lanes clean.

Coarse brushes are required for winter use on the streets, and roads.

T. Butler

Ordered

That advertisements be issued inviting Tenders to be considered at next meeting for the supply of two dozen of coarse brushes, same to be of

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Irish Manufacture.

Dunphy & Urban Council

The meeting went into committee to consider this claim.

The letter from the council's Solicitors, entered on the minutes of the committee meeting was read, as were also the two following Viz:-

Offices,
New Ross, 21st October 1907.

Dunphy v Urban council

Dear Sir,

Referring to our interview this evening, in which you explained to us that the council did not admit liability, and wished to defend the case, we think it necessary to observe that if the council denied liability their action in conferring with the Plaintiff's Solicitor on the subject of damages, was at least, somewhat imprudent: It would also appear from your statement, that even to-day the council instructed you to arrange for the lodgment in Court of £2 or thereabouts in satisfaction of the damages, and, that it was only on learning from our letter written in the early part of to-day, to the effect that lodgments in Court could not be made in actions of tort, they decided to repudiate liability.

Having regard to the time at which we are consulted, we presume your council do not require us to advise as to liability, and indeed, we have no materials to form an opinion on the subject, but as you mention Mr Butler, Sanitary Sub-officer, as a witness on the question of liability, we desire to say that we can see him to-morrow, at any time between 12 and 6 oclock.

M. J. Kinn Esq

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Lyethin.

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Offices,
New Ross, 22nd October 1907.

Dunphy v Urban Council

Dear Sir,

Referring to our two letters of yesterday, we have now seen Mr Butler and taken a note of his evidence, but it throws no light whatever on the subject. The case is purely a question of amount of damages, so far as we can see.

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Gethin.

M. J. Finn Esq

After some discussion the following resolution was Proposed by Mr Roche and Seconded by Mr John Murphy Viz:-

That the action of the committee in instructing the Council's Solicitors to defend this claim be approved of by the Council and that same be defended.

The following amendment was Proposed by Mr Fanning and Seconded by Mr Hand Viz:-

"That Dunphy be paid £5 and £2-2-0 costs, this being the amount which he is willing to settle for."

On the Amendment being put there voted

For Messrs Hand & Fanning 2

Against .. P. Murphy, S. Hill, J. Roche, D. Murphy, J. Murphy and .. Chairman 6

Mr Williams declined to vote.

The resolution was then put and the voting being the same was declared carried.

The Clerk reported that Mr Hogan's contract for the supply of two men and horses for work on the streets

had expired, and asked if advertisments would be issued. but the meeting considered they could not obtain them at a cheaper rate and ordered that no change be made so long as Mr Hogan supplied them at present weekly rate.

It was also ordered that portion of the water pipe from main to cistern in Tholsel, which is leaking be repaired by Mr Blake's plumber.

Attention was directed by a member to the unsafe condition of the street grating in Mary St. opposite Bewley St and it was referred to the street committee.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 5th November 1907.

John S Hearn

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Tuesday 5th November 1907

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider a letter received from the Local Government Board relative to the appointment of a Town Surveyor.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Presiding
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Samuel Hill
John Murphy
David Murphy
Wm. Ly. and Williams

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Samuel Hill and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:—

No 142. M. J. Finn (Petty Cash) £27·1·1

Correspondence

Letter from Secretary of Technical Instruction Committee asking the Council to take active steps towards negotiating the Loan necessary for the building of a Technical School.

Ordered That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to consider this matter.

A letter was received from the Clerk of the Lismore Rural District Council forwarding for adoption copy of a

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resolution passed by the Lismore Branch of the United Irish League asking for an enquiry into the working of the Local Government Board.

Ordered That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to consider this resolution.

An application was received from Messrs Kennedy and Phelan asking for the use of the Large Room Tholsel, for the purpose of dance practice on three nights each week.

Ordered That Messrs Kennedy & Phelan be informed the room is already let to the Gaelic League, but if they can arrange with that body for the use of it, the Council will not offer any objection to such an arrangement but will be prepared to allow them the use of it at a nominal weekly rent.

In connection with this matter a discussion took place respecting the Gas burned in the room for which the Gaelic League pay and it was agreed that they be allowed to charge 1/= per night for the Gas to any one getting the use of the room.

A letter was received from Lawrence Casey inviting the Public Boards of the County to assist the Demonstration Committee in charge of the arrangements for the Unity meeting to be held in Ballycullane on November 17th., in making the meeting a success and asking a large number of the members of the Council to allow their names to be placed on the Committee.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconed by Mr David Murphy "That the letter be

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marked "Read".

The following Amendment was Proposed by Mr John Hand

"That delegates be appointed to attend the meeting.

The Amendment was not seconded. The resolution was put and passed. Mr Hand only dissenting.

The General Accident Insurance Co. through their Agent Mr Barron, asked to have a new proposal for Policy W. 23521, as new Policies were being issued covering liability under Act of 1906. This Policy covered the men engaged in Dunganstown Quarry.

Ordered

That the Policy be not renewed as there are no men working in that Quarry at present.

The Clerk reported that the hoardings are not yet removed from the Council's yard in Henry St. and it was ordered that the owners be informed if they do not remove them within two weeks they will be prosecuted.

An application was received on behalf of James Power Draper, Charles St, for compensation amounting to £7-10-0 for malicious injury caused by the breaking of his plate glass window on the 23rd October.

A discussion took place as to the prudence of opposing the claim, thereby incurring additional expense, the Council being of opinion that they were liable for the damage.

Eventually it was ordered that the matter be referred to a Committee consisting of Messrs Peter Murphy, Williams, and the Chairman and they be empowered to settle the claim or otherwise as they consider best in the interest of the Council.

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Custom House Quay,
Wexford, 30th October 1907.

Dear Sir,

I understand that an effort was made by you or someone for you to get into communication with our Fire Brigade by means of the telephone on Tuesday morning, but as the wire is through the Post office and that office is always shut at night you could not of course get through. You may take it for granted that our Brigade would have responded to your call if it were possible in any way to get over to you in time to be of any use, and even if our hose would not fit your hydrants we would have made a temporary connection somehow rather than see you want the assistance. When you failed to get on by telephone if you had sent a motor for us, and surely there must be somebody with a large four-passenger motor in NewRoss, that would have public spirit enough to undertake the trip, — we could have bundled in 1000 ft of hose and fittings and half a dozen men even if we had to stand up in the car and be back with you inside of a couple of hours. Failing that, if you had wired to us at 8 oclock a lot of us could have gone to you with the apparatus by the 8.25 train and do what we could to relieve those who were overworked as I understand the fire was not really out until the afternoon. Our fellows are all sorry that they did not get a chance of helping you and I think there would have been no difficulty about getting the Mayor's consent to take the apparatus over.

Yours truly,
J. S. Thompson.
Capt
Wexford Volunteer
Fire Brigade.

The Clerk stated that on the morning of the fire, communication could not be established by telephone with

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Wexford Brigade either via Waterford or Dublin for the reason stated in Mr Thompson's letter. He also stated that he had written Mr Thompson thanking him for his proferred assistance. It was now ordered that the best thanks of the Council be conveyed to Mr Thompson and the members of the Wexford Fire Brigade for their kind offer of assistance.

A discussion took place as to the possibility of establishing Telephonic communication between Constabulary Barracks in the different towns so that the Fire Brigade might be called if their services were required, and on the suggestion of the Chairman the Clerk was directed to write to the County Inspector asking for the necessary permission, and to the Telephone Co to ascertain if they would instal an instrument to be used only in case of fire.

Proposals were received for the supply of two dozen coarse brushes from Mrs Hennessy, Dwyer Bros. Patrick Hunt, and Matthew Hutchinson.

The samples were carefully examined after which it was Proposed by Mr John Murphy and Seconded by Mr Hill. "That Mrs Hennessy's proposal to supply two dozen of coarse brushes as samples @ 22/6 per doz be accepted".

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk formally reported that the Waterford Fire Brigade with their appliances, attended and rendered valuable assistance at the late disastrous fire at NewRoss. They were conveyed from Waterford in a Motor by Mr Peare.

The meeting was unanimous in expressing their thanks to the Brigade and it was

Proposed -

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Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That the best thanks of this Council be tendered to the Waterford Corporation, and the members of the Fire Brigade, for the very valuable assistance rendered on the occasion of the late disastrous fire at NewRoss, and also to Mr Peare for so kindly conveying the members of the Brigade in his motor to NewRoss".

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by the Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That the best thanks of this Council be tendered to the District Inspector R.I.C., and the Constabulary for the very valuable assistance rendered by them on the occasion of the late disastrous fire at NewRoss".

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk reported that new hose and other Fire appliances were now required immediately as the present ones are practically worthless. He had written for quotations of same to Shand Mason & Co, the Firm who supplied the Fire Engine and present hose and had received the following letter Viz:-

Upper Ground St,
Blackfriars Road.
London, Nov 2nd 1907.

Dear Sir,

We thank you for your obliging enquiry of yesterdays date and have pleasure in quoting you as follows:-

To supply 4 double outlet standpipes, each with gun-metal revolving head, outlet Morris pattern and connection at bottom to fit your 2½ screw down dydrants at £3..0..0 each.

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4 copper branch pipes each for Morris coupling and fitted with gunmetal jet pipe @ 18/= each.

Improved convertible spray nozzle as illustrated and described page 14 E. This is an appliances we can strongly recommend and to the Brigades already supplied they have given every satisfaction 40/= each.

1200 feet of our very best quality special "Southwark" brand hand woven canvas hose as previously supplied, made in 18 strands of the finest carefully selected pure long flax, specially Burnettized to prevent dry rot and mildew. This is a hose we can confidently recommend and seeing the high pressure in the mains it is important that your hose should be of good quality.

The cost of above hose at per foot run will be 8d net.

Instantaneous pattern couplings for above hose including fixing into hose with copper wire, leather guard and strap with roller buckle 10/= per pair.

With regard to a hose reel the pattern we recommend is that shown on page 22 D of the hose reel catalogue and the cost of this complete as illustrated will be £12.10.0. We think you would find a hose cart to be more satisfactory, the pattern generally supplied for Fire Brigade use being the Metropolitan hand hose and implement cart illustrated on page 14 D. This is fitted with partitions for carrying hose and tools and we can supply you with a cart complete painted and varnished in best manner for the sum of £14.0.0 net.

We much regret to learn of the serious fire which has occurred in your town, but we hope that the manual engine which we had the pleasure of supplying as far back as 1864 was enabled to render good service.

Trusting to be favoured with your esteemed order

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which shall have our best attention.

We are.

Yours truly.

M. J. Flinn Esq

Shand Mason & Co.

Proposed by Mr Hill and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

"That 1200 feet of hose and other Fire appliances be ordered immediately, and that the selection of them be referred to the Water Committee who are empowered to order whatever they consider necessary.

Passed Unanimously

A number of claims for payment for services rendered in connection with the late fire were received and they were referred to the Water Committee for settlement.

It was ordered that the lamp in South St, nearly opposite Town Hall be lighted on nights of full moon.

A number of Specifications and Estimates for the supply of a dust cart were received and they were referred to the Street Committee for report.

The consideration of the letter received from the Local Government Board relative to the appointment of a Town Surveyor was next considered and after considerable discussion it was

Ordered

That the Local Government Board be informed the Council have not now any contracts in the Urban District, all the streets and roads being maintained by direct labour, and they are of opinion the services of a Town Surveyor are not required. They also desire to point out that previous to the year 1899

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the position was vacant, and also, that since their late Surveyor ceased to hold office a necessity has not arisen for the appointment of a successor. Under these circumstances the Council request the Local Government Board not to insist upon an appointment to the vacant position being made.

It was ordered that a Town Court Fines Book be procured

The Clerk stated that Mr P. J. Byrne called to the office and said that Mr Connolly was going to have the wall of Miss Molloy's house repaired ~~as~~ as ordered by him (Mr Byrne).

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 12th November 1907.

John L Hearn

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Wednesday 6th November 1907

A meeting of the Water Committee was held this evening at 5 oclock P.M. to consider claims for remuneration for work done during the recent fire, and decide upon the particular quality of Fire Hose, and Fire appliances to be ordered from Shand Mason &Co also transact business in connection with the new water Scheme.

Present Messrs David Murphy
Samuel Hill
Peter and Murphy

A telegram was received from Messrs Shand Mason &Co stating that prices quoted were net.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy

That the following fire appliances be ordered from Shand Mason &Co Viz:—

1200 feet of very best quality special "Southwark" hose specially Burnettized at 8d per foot net.

3 double outlet standpipes, each with gunmetal revolving head, outlet Morris pattern, and connection at bottom to fit 2½" screw down hydrants @ £3-0-0 each.

3 copper branch pipes each for Morris coupling and fitted with gunmetal jet pipe at 18/= each.

1 convertible spray nozzle
5 plain nozzles } to fit hose

Hose to be supplied in 50 foot lengths, and both stand pipes, Hose &c to be fitted with instantenous couplings. and also to inform them that the Council will require a written guarantee from them that the hose pipes and other fittings will be able to withstand the water pressure stated in the Council's letter of 31st ult, and only on ~~them~~ this condition will they be accepted.

Passed Unanimously

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The bommittee next took up the consideration of claims arising out of the late fire.

The blerk stated that he had the bouncilmen engaged with the Fire Engine playing on the smouldering ruins for six successive nights and the bommittee ordered that they be allowed 2/= each per night or portion of a night.

The claims of John Keilthy and some of the men engaged in the construction of the new waterworks who rendered great assistance were by enabling the new water supply to be made available under consideration and it was decided not to entertain any claims except those of the waterworks men, but as there was not sufficient information in the possession of the bommittee to enable them to discriminate the further consideration of them, was adjourned to next meeting of bommittee.

As the bhairman of the bouncil was not present there was no business in connection with the new water supply transacted.

The meeting adjourned to Thursday, 14th Nov 1907.

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Thursday 7th. November 1907

A meeting of the Water Committee was held this evening at 5 oclock.

Present Messrs Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill

The Committee resumed the consideration of the question of remunerating some of the men engaged in the construction of the new water works who gave valuable assistance in managing the Fire Hydrants and providing the water supply on the occasion of the fire; and after having fully considered the matter decided to allow Charles Gorman and Thomas Sinnott 10/= each. and James Murphy 5/=.

The meeting adjourned.

Monday 11th. November 1907

A meeting of the Street Committee was held this day at 11 oclock A.M. to inspect footpath on Greywell road, and grating in Mary St, at end of Bewley St.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
and
John Murphy

The Committee inspected footpath and directed that Wm. Edwards be employed to repair it by setting new kerbing wherever necessary. They also directed that the grating in Mary St, be altered in setting, or otherwise repaired, so as to prevent the water from passing over it, and flowing on to the street thereby injuring the surface of it.

The Committee adjourned.

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Monday 11th November 1907

A meeting of the Water Committee was held this evening at 5 oclock. to transact business of the Committee.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
Peter Murphy
and
Samuel Hill

The Resident Engineer was also present at the request of the Committee.

The Committee, having considered at great length, the letter received from Messrs Bolfer & Lythin conveying Council's opinion, which is entered on the minutes of the meeting held on the 22nd October, decided to recommend a Domestic Water Rate of 1/3 in the £ on the Valuation of the premises, with an additional charge of 7/6, 10/= and 15/= per annum, according to valuation in the case of houses, Bakers, Bakers & Publicans jointly.

Having considered, and approved of some draft Bye Laws, for regulating the supply, which will be submitted in detail to the Council when completed, the meeting adjourned.

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Friday 15th November 1907

a meeting of the Water bommittee was held this evening at 5 oclock P.M. to transact business of the bommittee.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Presiding
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
Wm. G. Williams
David and Murphy

The following letter received from Cherry Bros. Ltd. was considered Viz:—

Greywell Brewery.
NewRoss, 14th Nov 1907.

Dear Sir,

In confirmation of the conversation the writer had with you yesterday. We cannot state definitely the amount of Town Water we should require as it would all depend on our own supply during the summer months. Kindly state how far you would carry the pipe for us on the Greywell Road and also if required would you carry it to the Brewery yard.

We should be glad to know cost of same and oblige.

Yours faithfully
For Cherry Bros. Ltd.
G. D. Home Scott (Manr)

M. J. Finn Esq

Ordered

That Messrs Cherry Bros. Ltd. be informed that in view of the absence of any definite information, as to the probable quantity of water which will be required by them, or whether any will be required, the water bommittee do not feel justified in recommending the Council to extend the main water pipe beyond the point already

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shown on the Plans, and provided for in the specification.

The letter received from Dr. Walsh dated 25th Sept and entered on the minutes of 8th October, in which he asked if the main pipe would be extended up the road opposite his entrance gate was considered, and the following order made upon it Viz:-

"That as the Plans & Specification for the laying of the water mains have already been very fully considered and approved of by the Council, and also by the Local Government Board, the Water Committee cannot recommend the Council to extend the water mains beyond the points shown on the plans, and provided for in the specification; as they feel that if a departure from the Plans was permitted in an individual case, the practice should be allowed to become general, with the result that the Council would be involved in expenditure which would not be justified by results".

"The question of extending the pipe up Rosbercon Hill to opposite Mr White's gate was also considered but as there were only two applicants for the pipe water Viz:- Mr White & Mrs Lawlor, the Committee decided not to extend the pipe.

It was also ordered that Mr White be informed that as his was the only application received for the water supply beyond Mrs Lawlor's, the Committee could not extend the main pipe up to his gate, but if, later on, a sufficient number of applications are received the matter may be re-considered.

The application of Mr John Doyle for a supply of water to his residence, Brandon Cottage, was next considered,

During its consideration, Mr Doyle called to the

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office in connection with the valuation appeal of the Gas Co, and the Committee discussed the matter briefly with him. He stated that a pipe of a less diameter than 1 3/4" would be liable to become ~~connected~~ corroded and would be of no use to him. He also stated that he would not require the water for the use of cattle, or gardening purposes.

After he had retired, the Committee considered the matter fully and decided not to extend the main water pipe beyond its present point of termination Viz:- the Workhouse gate.

They also decided to allow him to convey the water in an iron pipe of 1 3/4" diameter, from their main, but his house is to be connected with this pipe by another of only 1/2" diameter.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy

"That Mr John Doyle be charged an annual rent of £4 for a supply of water for domestic purposes to his house at Brandon, the Council reserving to themselves the right to dis-continue the supply without notice should the scarcity of water within the Urban District necessitate such a course, and also on the condition that the Council shall by a person duly appointed by them be at liberty to inspect at all reasonable times the water supply, fittings &c for the purpose of ascertaining whether a waste of water occurs, the connection from the Council's main to Brandon Cottage to be at Mr Doyle's expense".

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk stated that Mr John Redmond Bosheen, called to the office and stated that he would wish to have his house, and also some fields higher up in Irishtown, connected with water main, and asked

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cost of same and also if the Council will put in the supply.

Ordered That Mr Redmond be asked to state in writing exactly what he requires the water for, and if for other than domestic purposes, the number of cattle &c he requires it for, when the Council give him the necessary information. The connection will have to be made by himself.

The Clerk stated that Mrs Roche of Ballyanne, was anxious to have a Fire Hydrant fixed at her shop and coal yard at Mc Murrogh, for which she would be willing to pay an annual rent and fix the Hydrant at her own expense, same not to be used except in case of fire, or for testing of Hydrant say once or twice each year.

Ordered That Mrs Roche be permitted to connect a Fire Hydrant with the Council's main at Ballyanne at an annual rent of £1, the Hydrant to be sealed and not used except in case of fire. or for testing purposes ~~Once~~ Twice a year & under our inspection

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 19th Inst.

John L Hearn

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Tuesday 12th November 1907

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider application of Technical Committee to have the Council negotiate the necessary Loan for the building of a Technical School, recommend a person for nomination to fill a vacancy in Trinity Hospital, also a resolution from the Lismore Rural Council asking for an enquiry into the working of the Local Government Board.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
David Murphy
John Hand
John Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
Wm. Ly. and Williams

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Patrick Dunphy and John Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No	143	John Tobin	NewRoss	£ 12 .. 10 .. 0
..	144	John J. Browne	..	6 .. 14 .. 4
..	145	Do	..	1 .. 0 .. 1
..	146	M. J. Finn	..	8 .. 6 .. 8
..	147	Do	..	15 .. 7 .. 4
..	148	Mrs Rebecca Robinson	Kingstown.	1 .. 4 .. 2
..	149	Dr. Hickey	NewRoss	7 .. 10 .. 0
..	150	Patrick Hunt	..	1 .. 14 .. 5
..	151	P. J. Morrissey	Kilkenny	10 .. 9
..	152	Barlock Typewriter Co	London	3 .. 6
..	153	Dr. OConnor	NewRoss	8 .. 9 .. 0
..	154	Helys Ltd.	Dublin	6 .. 10
..	155	Patrick Redmond	NewRoss	4 .. 6 .. 8

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No	156	Patrick Redmond		£ 4 .. 6 .. 8
..	157	Patk. Carroll	Raheen,	4 .. 5 .. 0
..	158	W. H. Hearn	NewRoss	4 .. 15 .. 0
..	159	W. G. Whitney	..	13 .. 6
..	160	See School attendance Ote		8 .. 13 .. 7
..	161	Cashiers Bank of Ireland		54 .. 17 .. 5
..	162	Patrick Blake	Loans a/c	900 .. 0 .. 0
..	163	Jeremiah Murphy	Loans a/c	15 .. 0 .. 0
..	164	Broker Barrington	Loans a/c	2 .. 17 .. 0

A letter was received from J. H. Davis D.I. acknowledging the vote of thanks passed by the Council to the Constabulary for their services at the late fire.

A letter was received from Laurence Casey asking to have representatives appointed to attend the unity meeting to be held in Ballycullane on 24th Inst, but as the matter was disposed of at the previous meeting of the Council there was now no order made upon it.

Letter from Shand Mason &Co and telegram stating that prices quoted for fire appliances are net.

No order made

Messrs Merryweather &Co wrote drawing attention to their Exhibition Hose, but as a sufficient quantity had already been ordered from Shand Mason &Co there was no action taken upon it.

The Commissioner of Valuation wrote acknowledging receipt of Valuation Books of Urban District of NewRoss, sent for the purpose of revision.

The following letter was read Viz:—

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Irish bounty bouncil's General bouncil

Offices, 10 Leinster St.
Dublin, 4th Nov, 1907.

Important and Immediate

Dear Sir,

I have been requested by the Vice Regal bommission on Irish Railways to immediately furnish a return shewing the action taken by the Irish Public Bodies in reference to the resolution on the management and control of Irish Railways, passed by the Irish bounty bouncils General bouncil on 18th October 1906 and forwarded to you about that time (copy appended)

The return will be published in the appendix to the second report of the Vice Regal bommission and it is most important that it should be a full one.

I will therefore be greatly obliged if you will be so good as to let me know by return the nature of the action taken by your bouncil on the matters.

Should the Resolution not have been before them I will thank you to place this letter before the next meeting; but nevertheless to let me know by return as requested in preceding paragraph.

Yours faithfully,
A. Keogh Nolan.
Secretary.

Resolved:—

1st That we are of opinion that the present system of managing the Irish Railways is detrimental to the interests of Ireland.

2nd That the placing their management in the hands of the British Government would be also detrimental to Ireland.

3rd That on the other hand, it would be of great advantage to Ireland if all the Irish Railways were put under one management, subject to the control of some body representing

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the people of Ireland; and that the General Council of County Councils could be made use of as such a representative body, if no other representative body were formed.

4th "That the necessary legal powers should be given to the General Council, or other representative body, to purchase all the Irish Railways, and to borrow money for that purpose on the security of the rates of the whole of Ireland, which, added to that of the Railways themselves, would make the security so perfectly safe, that the necessary money could be borrowed at a reasonable rate of interest"

Proposed by Mr P. Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

"That the foregoing resolutions be adopted by this Council.

Passed Unanimously

An application was received from Michael Kavanagh for remuneration for work done at the late fire and it was referred to the Water Committee.

The Borough Surveyor Waterford, wrote acknowledging receipt of Council's letter of 7th Inst. in reference to matters in connection with the services of the Fire Brigade.

There was no action taken on the resolution received from the Lismore Rural District Council asking that an enquiry be held into the whole working of the Local Government Board, and its officials, especially since the year 1899.

Messrs S. + A. Y. Davis Enniscorthy, wrote stating that

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the request of the bouncil to have the debris removed from their store on the Quay, will receive immediate attention.

The foreman, James Flynn, reported that the bontractor, Mr Hogan, was not giving him the necessary help with horses for the past couple of weeks.

The blerk stated that the bontract for the temporary horse had expired and it was

Ordered

That advertisements be issued inviting tenders at next meeting for the supply of a temporary man those.

Estate office.
NewRoss, 7th Nov 1907.

Dear Sir,

I hereby give you Notice that a meeting of the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital will be held at 10 oclock on Wednesday the 4th December to appoint an inmate to fill vacancy.

Yours faithfully,
Hugh R. Hamilton.

The blerk
U. D. bouncil.

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Williams

"That Mary Deverux be recommended to the Governors of Trinity Hospital for admission to that institution".

Passed Unanimously

The bollector reported the following tenants owing one months rent and over Viz:-

Mary Doyle	out of possession	15 .. 6
John O'Neill	William St (1/9 per week)	13 .. 3

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Edward Whitty	Fair Gate	(1/9 per week)	11 .. 9
Anne Ryan	Church Lane	"	15 .. 8
Joseph Allen	Bullawn	"	14 .. 7
Patrick Kehoe	Fair Gate	"	10 .. 6

Ordered That the Clerk write to those tenants and inform them that if the arrears are not paid at once the Council's Solicitors will be instructed to take up possession of the houses.

He also reported that repairs required to be done on some of the Council's houses and it was ordered that they be carried out by James Connolly.

Report of Clerk

New Ross.
12th Nov 1907.

Gentlemen,

I beg to report that there is still out-standing of Town Rate the sum of £698 .. 19 .. 3. The total amount collected to date is £1004 .. 6 .. 3 of £53 .. 6 .. 11, arrears carried forwarded from last year, which the Collector was directed to collect as soon as he would get his books, there is collected at date only £19 .. 16 .. 1½, leaving still outstanding £33 .. 10 .. 9½.

Yours faithfully,
M. J. Finn.
Clerk of Council.

The Finance Committee

Ordered That the Collector be informed if the arrears referred to are not collected within two weeks the

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bouncil will take serious notice of the matter.

Report of Finance bommittee

Your Finance bommittee met this day and recommended the payment of undermentioned (see list at commencement of minutes)

David Murphy
John Murphy

Proposed by Mr Dunphy
Seconded by Mr J. Murphy

That the report of the Finance bommittee be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made.

Passed Unanimously

The consideration of the application of The Technical Instruction bommittee to have the bouncil negotiate a loan for the purpose of building a Technical School was again adjourned.

The Street Inspector reported that he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean each day. He weighed seventeen store cattle for Mr Brehon J.P. Newtown, one of the cattle got his foot over the door of cage and Mr Brehon suggests that the door be made higher, and also, that the bolt on door be shifted, it would be well if some members of the bouncil would visit this place.

Ordered

That the weighbridge bommittee be asked to inspect the machine, and give the necessary directions for properly protecting cattle against accident whilst being weighed.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 26th November 1907

Samuel Field

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Thursday 21st November 1907

A meeting of the Weighbridge Committee was held this day at 4 oclock P.M. to inspect Weighbridge at Irishtown and consider advisability of having door raised.

Present Messrs James G. Dooley
David Murphy
Wm. G. and Williams

The Committee proceeded to inspect the door of Weighbridge referred to in the Street Inspector's Report. They did not consider it necessary to have an additional railing fixed on it, but that one of the stays of the bolt be moved out nearer to the edge.

They also directed that railing ~~be~~ considerably higher than the wall of the enclosure be fixed by it so as to prevent cattle from leaping over it.

The meeting adjourned

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Friday 22nd November 1907

A meeting of the committee appointed to investigate the claim of Mr James Power for £7.10.0. for malicious injury to his plate glass window was held this evening at 5 oclock P.M.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
Peter Murphy
Wm Ly. and Williams

The committee considered his Solicitors application together with the other particulars furnished by the Constabulary, and came to the conclusion that the Council were liable, and that it was more prudent to settle the claim rather than incur the additional expense of having application made to the County Court Judge.

In order that they might arrive at the cost of having a new pane provided and fixed, they directed the Clerk to write to Messrs Dockrell & Sons asking to state the price of a plate glass pane, same dimensions as that broken, delivered at Newross.

The committee adjourned.

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Tuesday 26th November 1907

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also tenders for the supply of a permanent, and temporary horse & man, for the performance of work on the streets &c.

Present Messrs Samuel Hill Presiding
Peter Murphy
John Hand
Joseph Roche
Wm. Y. Williams
David Murphy
John Murphy
John and Meehan

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and John Murphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:—

No 165 M. J. Finn (Petty Cash) £24 . 3 . 8

No 57,031 : 1907
NewRoss Urban Dist

Local Government Board,
Dublin, 15th November 1907.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th Inst, relative to the vacancy in the office of Town Surveyor of NewRoss Urban District; and, with reference thereto, I am again to draw the council's attention to Section 7 of the Towns Improvement Clauses Act 1847 from which it will be observed that it is mandatory on the Urban District Council to appoint a surveyor for the paving, drainage, and other works

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in the Urban District. The Council are required by Statute to make this appointment and the Local Government Board have no power to authorise any departure from the terms of the enactment above referred to.

I am to point out that the fact of there being now no contracts for public works in the Urban District does not obviate the necessity for the employment of a Town Surveyor, as the maintenance of the roads and streets by direct labour should be under the supervision of a qualified surveyor, as well as the water supply, sewerage, and lighting of the District.

I am to add that in regard to the reports of the Medical Officer of Health and the other Sanitary Officers, the services of a Town Surveyor should be available for the purpose of making inspections and reports on such matters, and when necessary, for giving evidence in cases of prosecutions under the Public Health Acts.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
H. Courtenay.
Assistant Secretary.

Ordered That the consideration of this letter be adjourned to next meeting, the members of the Council to be summoned to consider it.

A circular letter was received from the Local Government Board stating that they were advised that Local Authorities had no legal authority to form an Insurance Fund, but for the purpose of protecting themselves, against any liability they should insert in all Bonds providing that the Contractor and his sureties should indemnify them against any liability.

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There was no order made, all the Councils employers being insured.

The Local Government Board also forwarded a copy of The Notification of Births Act 1907, with particulars as to the manner of its adoption.

No Order made

Mr Patrick Redmond Irishtown, wrote drawing the attention of the Council to the dangerous condition of walls in the yard of his house at Irishtown, of which Mr John A. Browne is owner.

Ordered

That the attention of Mr Browne be directed to the condition of the walls and that he be requested to have them put in a proper state of repair.

Letters were received from Shand Mason & Co stating that the fire appliances on order will be despatched early next week.

Ordered

That they be informed if the goods are not forwarded immediately the order will be cancelled and placed elsewhere.

A bill of £10 was received from the Borough Treasurer of the Waterford Corporation in connection with the expenses of the Waterford Fire Brigade in attending the late Fire at New Ross, the particulars of which are as follows —

Injury to Hoses	£5 .. 0 .. 0
.. .. clothes	3 .. 0 .. 0
.. .. Boots	2 .. 0 .. 0
	£10 .. 0 .. 0

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Ordered That this bill be referred to the Finance Committee.

Mor W. H. Peare Waterford, wrote acknowledging the vote of thanks passed by the Council to him for conveying the members of the Waterford Fire Brigade to the recent fire at Newross in his motor car and regretting that he could not have been of greater assistance.

Irish International Exhibition,
Dublin, 15th Nov 1907.

Historical Section

Dear Sir,

With reference to my letter of yesterday's date relative to the Exhibit from the Newross Urban District Council, I have to inform you that I have to-day handed it to Messrs West & Son of 18, College Green, Dublin, who have been instructed to forward it on to you immediately. I shall be glad if you will kindly sign and return the enclosed Form on receiving your Exhibit.

I am requested to take this opportunity to convey to you the very best thanks of the Executive for the great assistance you have so kindly rendered to the Exhibition in lending this very interesting Exhibit.

Yours faithfully,
Arthur Courtenay. Col.
Sec Historical Section.

M. J. Finn Esq.

Messrs West & Son wrote under date 16th Inst. stating that they had forwarded per passenger train carriage paid two maces and one charter and the Clerk reported that they had arrived safely.

No Order made

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John Power, one of the bouncil's workmen, applied for a suit of oilclothes, and it was ordered that he be supplied with a suit at a cost of about 9/=.

Priory St.
New Ross. 14th Nov 1907.

Dear Sir,

The range at T. Murphy's house, William St, is gone beyond repairing, if you do anything, you must put in a new one, the cost of a new Range is 27/6. this does not include the setting.

Yours tce
James bonnolly.
Jc.

M. J. Finn Esq

Ordered

That Mr bonnolly be directed to fix a new range in this house.

The blerk reported that the range in Edward Murphy's house of Folly Ho Lane, was also in a bad state for the want of repairs and the matter was referred to a bommittee consisting of Messrs Hill + Williams.

A letter was received from Martin Kinsella Kirkdale, Liverpool, offering his services for the training of a Volunteer Fire Brigade. He served fifteen years in the Liverpool Fire Brigade and thoroughly understood the working of one. He is also well up in Town Sanitary arrangements.

No order made

A letter was received from Mr Treaney North St, asking the bouncil to request the D. + S. E. Rly bo. to issue second class market tickets, as well as third, and also

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to establish a flag station at Slieverue.

Ordered That the Clerk write to the Rly Co requesting them to issue tickets, and open flag station as suggested by Mr Freaney.

The following proposals were received for the supply of a temporary horse and man :- Thomas Hogan at 4/= per day. and Philip Hartley at 3/11 per day.
Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy "That Mr Hartley's Tender at 3/11 per day, be accepted".

Passed Unanimously

Ordered That the Council's Solicitors be instructed to prepare a Bond providing that in case Mr Hartley fail to supply a horse & cart at the price stated in his tender, on any day required, the Council are to be at liberty to employ a man & horse elsewhere and charge the difference if any in hire of such horse to Mr Hartley.

The tender of Mr Lawrence Harney Michael St. for the tenancy of the potato scales at a weekly rent of 3$^{d}_{..}$, was accepted, tenancy to commence on 2$^{nd}_{..}$ prox.

The following resolutions, received from the Kerry County Council were on the proposal of Mr D. Murphy seconded by Mr J. Meehan, unanimously adopted Viz:-

"That this, the Kerry County Council, hereby expresses its support of the long-admitted claims for financial assistance in connection with Irish Primary Education".

"That, as a public body, representative of the people and,

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as a natural consequence, of the children of the people, we demand that these claims shall be satisfactorily settled without further delay, and that it therefore requests the Government to make in the forthcoming estimates the necessary provision for the placing of Irish Primary Education as regards its Financial claims on an equitable basis".

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy "That this meeting declares that the financial assistance so urgently needed in connection with Irish Primary Education should no longer be withheld. That as monies, frequently admitted by successive Governments to be legitimately due to Primary Education, have been constantly diverted to other purposes, it is the duty of the Government to make adequate provision without further delay to meet the admittedly pressing claims in connection with the improvement of the education of the children of the masses; and we call on the representatives of Ireland to insist that the financial assistance necessary shall be provided for in the forthcoming estimates".

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk reported that the pailing which the Council ordered to have erected opposite the store on the Quay, lately occupied by Messrs Davis Bros., and which was erected by Mr J. B. Hearn was now removed, but as the meeting considered the walls of the store were not in a dangerous condition, and that it was probably for this reason the pailing was removed, there was no order made upon it.

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The clerk also stated that the building of the Tholsel only, was insured and that none of the furniture, books, maces. &c were insured, and suggested that the latter ought to be; and also that the amount on the building should be increased.

Ordered That this matter be referred to the next meeting of the Finance committee.

It was also ordered that a boat of sand be obtained from Patrick Carroll at same price as last one supplied, and that the members be summoned to attend next meeting to consider application from Technical committee relative to building of Technical School.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 10th December 1907

John Fleming

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A meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider a letter from the Local Government Board relative to the appointment of a Town Surveyor; also the application of the Technical Instruction Committee in reference to a loan ~~of~~ for the building of a Technical School.

Present Messrs John Fanning Presiding
John Hand
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
John Murphy
Wm G. Williams
Joseph Roche
David and Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Joseph Roche and John Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:—

No	166	Moran Bros.	£ 3 .. 10 .. 2.
..	167	James Power & Co	6 .. 1 .. 5
..	168	Sec to Council Wexford	294 .. 0 .. 9
..	169	Matthew Hutchinson	5 .. 4 .. 6
..	170	Hugh R. Hamilton J.P.	5 .. 18 .. 6
..	171	M. J. Finn	27 .. 1 .. 6
..	172	Mrs Margt. Roche	16 .. 9 .. 0
..	173	Thomas Martin	17 .. 11
..	174	Mrs M. A. Corcoran	16 .. 10
..	175	A. H. Tyndall J.P.	5 .. 10 .. 0
..	176	M. J. Finn	8 .. 6 .. 8
..	177	H. J. Mc Kenna	8 .. 10

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No	178	Cashiers Bank of Ireland		13 .. 1
..	179	Graves & Co		16 .. 0
..	180	Murphy & Roche		4 .. 11
..	181	John J. Browne	4 .. 18 .. 10	
..	182	John Tobin	3 .. 2 .. 6	
..	183	Patrick Blake Loans a/c	590 .. 0 .. 0	
..	184	Jeremiah Murphy Loans a/c	12 .. 0 .. 0	

A Paying Order for £13 .. 10 .. 0 received from the County Council for Bridge Maintenence was ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

Tenders for manure were received from Mrs Whelan Garranlehy who offered £1 .. 5 .. 0 for the heap next the gate, and 14/= for one in Middle of yard; from Edward Browne who offered 14/= each for the same heaps, and Michael Breen who would pay 10/= for one in the middle of the yard.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That Mrs Whelan's tender for two heaps specified by her be accepted".

Passed Unanimously

A letter was received from the New Ross Gas Co, stating that they intend opening the road outside Mr T. Redmond's for the purpose of cleaning the supply pipe.

No Order made

The Town Rate Collector submitted a report showing amount of arrears of Town Rate collected and outstanding as also the names of tenants who owed four week's rent and over, but it was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

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The following resolution, dated 22nd Nov received from the Blackrock Urban Council, was, on the proposal of Mr David Murphy, Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy, Unanimously adopted and copies ordered to be forwarded to the Chief Secretary for Ireland and the President of the English Local Government Board Viz:- "That this Council, having considered the proposal recently made by Mr J. J. Clancy K. C. M. P., for financing a comprehensive scheme of housing for the cities and towns of Ireland, hereby approves of those proposals as being both practicable and adequate without involving any injustice to anyone or to any interest, and we earnestly urge their acceptance on the Government".

In connection with the foregoing the following letter was read.

Town Clerks Office,
Blackrock,
7th Dec 1907.

Housing of the Working Classes in Cities and Towns.

Sir,

I am directed to send you herewith a Newspaper cutting containing a copy of the Petition which has been unanimously adopted by the Urban District Council of Blackrock re above, and to ask your Council to adopt a Petition in similar terms, and have it presented in due course to the House of Commons.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
R. Finlay Heron.
Town Clerk.

The copy of the petition referred to was received.

No order made upon it.

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National Telephone Co Ltd.

Waterford,
27th Nov 1907.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of 22nd Inst. and our conversation of yesterday, I very much regret that my company could not see their way in putting in Telephone instalation as you suggest,—at the Police Barrack. But would be pleased to erect and maintain Telephone instalation if your Council would undertake paying a annual rent as set out on back of the enclosed agreement under heading of Tariff A. a line connected with our local Exchange could be extended to any of the towns that are connected by Telephone in the country. I may mention that arrangements are being made for a night-trunk Service between Waterford, Wexford and Enniscorthy that instant communication could be had at any hour night or day with these places, and a Telephone fitted at your own office would be of very great convenience to yourself and the members of your Council hoping to be favoured with your esteemed order.

I am Dear Sir.

Your Obedient Servant.

E. Thomas.

Local Manager.

M. J. Flinn Esq

Copy of scale of charges, which ranged from £6..0..0 to £14..8..0, according to the number of calls, was received, and ordered to be referred to the Finance Committee, as was also a letter from the County Inspector R. I. C. asking with what Telephone Service it was proposed to connect the Police Barracks, and whether the Council will defray all expenses.

The D. & S. E. Rly Co. acknowledged receipt of the Council's letter asking to have second class market

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tickets issued, and a flag station at Slievenie.

Upper Ground St,
Blackfriars Road,
London, Dec 9th 1907.

Dear Sir :—

In accordance with your esteemed favour of the 7th Inst, we enclose herewith certificate as to the pressure which the hose recently supplied with stand, and we trust this will meet your requirements.

We are,
Yours truly,
Shand Mason &bo.

M. J. Finn Esq

Copy of Certificate

Upper Ground St,
Blackfriars Road,
London, Dec 9th 1907.

We Hereby Certify that the Canvas Hose Pipe which we have recently supplied, and invoiced to your Council on the 29th November last, will withstand easily a water pressure as referred to in your previous letters, viz :- of 150 lbs per square inch.

Shand Mason &bo.

M. J. Finn Esq

No order made

A Sealed Order fixing the fee for auditing the accounts of the Council for year ending 31st March 1907, at £6.6.0, was received from the Local Government Board, and it was ordered to be paid at next Finance meeting of the Council.

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A proposal was received from Mary Keady of Irishtown, for the tenancy of a house at Holly House Lane. She offered Mr Richard Armstrong as Surety, and on the proposition of Mr Peter Murphy, Seconded by Mr Hill it was accepted.

Estate Office,
Newross, 6th Dec 1907.

Trinity Hospital

Dear Sir,

At a Meeting of the Governing Body of above, Annie Lester at present an inmate, was elected to receive annuity.

I was directed to point out to your Council that only women who have for at least the past twelve months been resident in Newross are eligible for nomination.

Yours faithfully,
Hugh R. Hamilton.

The Clerk,
Urban Council.

Proposed by Mr Hand and
Seconded by Mr Hill

"That this Council assent to the election of Annie Lester as an inmate of Trinity Hospital".

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Samuel Hill

That the Water rent book for financial year ending 31st March 1908, be signed by the Presiding Chairman and two members of the Council, and sealed with the seal of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

In accordance with the foregoing resolution, the water

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rent book was duly signed, and sealed.

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that on some days he found the several streets and lanes clean, whilst on other days they were very dirty. The boundary wall between J. Steacey's yard Fair Gate, and Mrs Galavan's has fallen leaving a gap of about ten feet.

A great amount of surface water runs from the space between the Councils houses at William St, down the pathway leading from Cross Lane, and across the footpath into the water table, the pathway from Cross Lane has been very much damaged in consequence. This water used to run in another course until recently when, it was diverted by Sergeant Doherty R. I. C.

There are some panes of glass in an old sash in the Fish House, and as they are getting broken from time to time, he would ask the Council what he shall do with them.

Thomas Butler

Ordered That the matters complained of in the foregoing report be referred to the Water Committee.

That the sash in the Fish House be stored in the Tholsel.

The letter received from the Local Government Board relative to the appointment of a Town Surveyor was next considered and after some discussion it was

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Hand "That a Surveyor be appointed at a salary of £52 per annum".

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An amendment was proposed by Mr John Murphy and seconded by Mr Peter Murphy as follows:— "That the matter be referred to a committee for report".

Mr Roche proposed a further amendment:— "That the consideration of the appointment of a Town Surveyor be adjourned until after the next elections. This was seconded by Mr Hill.

Mr Murphy withdrew his amendment in favour of Mr Roche's and on the latter being put to the meeting there voted

For - Messrs Roche, P. Murphy, S. Hill, D. Murphy, J. Murphy, and Wm. G. Williams, — 6

against Messrs Hand and Fanning 2.

Mr Roche's amendment was declared carried.

The letter from the Technical committee relative to negotiating a loan for the building of a Technical School was again referred to the Finance committee.

Royal Humane Society

4 Trafalgar Square, Charing Cross,
20th Nov 1907.

case No 35684

Sir,

Herewith I have the pleasure of transmitting to you for presentation to P. Rossiter the Honorary Bronze Medal of this Society which has been awarded him by the committee for his courage and humanity in having saved life.

Please cause this Reward to be presented in as public a manner as possible, and acknowledging its receipt to me by return of post.

Yours faithfully,
H. A. C. Slaughton.
Secretary.

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Mr Rossiter, who was in attendance, was presented by the Chairman with the Medal and certificate.

He thanked the Council for having taken the necessary steps to obtain it, and then retired.

As the next ordinary meeting day of the Council would be Christmas Eve it was agreed to adjourn this meeting to Friday 20th Inst, at 7.30 oClock P.M. it being considered very inconvenient for members to attend on any date between that and Christmas Eve.

The meeting adjourned

Wm Co. Williams

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Friday 20th December 1907

An adjourned meeting of the NewRoss Urban District bouncil was held this day at 7.30 oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs Wm. Ly. Williams Presiding
David Murphy
John Hand
John Hanning
John Meehan
Joseph Roche
Samuel Hill
John and Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the bhairman and Messrs Samuel Hill and John Meehan and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:—

No 185 M. J. Finn NewRoss £21 . 15 . 0

borrespondence

Urban District of Blackrock
Town Hall. 16th Dec 1907.

Re Housing of the Working blasses

Dear Sir,

Adverting to your letter of 12th Inst, I note your bouncil took no action in regard to the presentation of a petition to Parliament re above. Beyond the engrossing of the petition on parchment, there would be no further expense to your bouncil.

Yours faithfully,
a. Finlay Heron.
Town blerk.

M. J. Finn Esq

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Mr Meehan suggested that a petition be presented but it was decided to take no further action in the matter as the Council had already adopted copies of the resolution.

Newross Gas Company Ltd.,
10th Dec 1907.

Dear Sir,

As you are aware, at the last Quarter Sessions our total valuation was reduced from £300 to £130.

Having paid you the first moiety on the £300 valuation I am directed to apply to you for a refund of the amount overpaid Viz:- £12.0.10.

Yours faithfully,
H. Kirkham.

The Clerk reported that he had not yet received an official notification of the reduction from the Commissioner of Valuation, and the matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

The following resolutions, received from the Corporation of Sligo, were on the proposal of Mr David Murphy, seconded by Mr John Murphy, Unanimously adopted. Viz:-

That we view with alarm the deplorable condition in which the majority of the working classes in our towns are housed. That principally owing to such a condition of things the present terrible spread of consumption is mainly due. That in consequence of the high rate of interest at present charged for loans it is impossible for Urban Authorities to build houses which can be let at moderate rents, and which would be within the reach of the labourer. We therefore call upon the Government to introduce

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a Bill in the next session of Parliament which will place a sum of money at such a rate as will enable Urban authorities to provide suitable and sanitary Houses for the working classes, as has already been done for the Rural Labourers by the Act of 1906.

And further, that the Irish Parliamentary Party be called upon to give their strenuous endeavour to have inserted in the Town Tenants' Bill a clause that will provide for weekly, monthly and quarterly Tenants in towns some fixity of tenure in their holdings, and compensation for unjust disturbance.

That we call upon all Corporations and Town Commissioners, and all dwellers in the towns of Ireland, to combine together for the purpose of obtaining redress of the many grievances we at present suffer from.

A resolution, received from the Tottenham Urban District Council, calling upon the Government to take steps to deal with the unemployed Workmen problem in a National and systematic manner was also adopted.

Local Government Board, Dublin,
16th December, 1907.

No 58,459/1907

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward, herewith, for the information of the Local Authority, a copy of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1907. A revised memorandum, which is being prepared by the Home Office, dealing with the duties of local authorities under the Factory and Workshop Acts, 1901 and 1907, will be forwarded by the Board when received.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
A. R. Barlas.
Secretary.

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a copy of the act referred to was received.

No Order made

Letters were received from the Chief Secretary, and the Secretary to the English Local Government Board, acknowledging receipt of resolutions, relative to the Housing of the Working Classes adopted by the Council at their last meeting.

Dr. O'Connor certified that Wm. Scanlon was suffering from Rheumatism and unfit to work from 8th Dec to 17th Dec.

The Clerk stated that he had been paid his wages in full during that time and this was approved of.

The Street Inspector reported that there was a large heap of road scrapings at Newtown and one at Victoria Place and it was ordered that tenders be invited for the purchase of them.

He also reported that the water tables in several of the streets are full of mud which may cause blocking of the sewers if not removed.

Ordered

That the attention of the Foreman be directed to the matter.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 7th January 1908

John L Hearn

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Tuesday 7th January 1908

An adjourned meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
John Murphy
James G. Dooley
John Hand
John Meehan
Joseph and Roche

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and James G. Dooley and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 186 M. J. Finn NewRoss £20 · 0 · 1

Correspondence

The Tannery. NewRoss.
3rd Janry 1908.

We purchased some Bark recently which was weighed on the public Weighbridge - altogether 35 loads, and we would like to bring the following facts under the notice of the Urban Council.

We had an order which required 6 loads, and these we re-weighed on our Council here, and the lot was again weighed by the purchaser at its destination, with the following result:-

Weight per weighbridge dockets	6 · 17 · 0 · 0
Weight on our Council, in drafts of 2/3 cwt	6 · 1 · 3 · 7

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Weight at destination 6 . 1 . 0 . 0
Showing a discrepancy of 15 cwt

As neither the person who sold the bark to us, nor the carter who drew it saw it reweighed here, we resolved to apply a further test; and on the 19th of November, out of three loads delivered, we re-weighed one immediately on arrival here, in presence of the carter, the weight being checked by him, and it turned out 2 . 0 . 14 less than the weighbridge ticket.

It is customary too not to re-weigh empty cars after the delivery of such load when journeys are repeated; tho' it stands to reason that in a long journey, on muddy roads and on a wet day, a cart would weigh differently than if the roads were dry and the day fine. But apart from that, the proper arrangement, in justice both to buyer and seller, would seem to be, that no ticket should be given until the empty car has been reweighed after delivering a load. Had the person in charge of the weighbridge should be sufficiently capable and responsible to insist that all ropes, creels, covers, or other articles, not forming part of the commodity sold, but included in the original weighing, shall be on the empty car when it is being re-weighed.

As oak bark is approximately value for £5 per ton, a shortage of a couple of cwt on such load would be a rather serious item.

We attribute the discrepancy in the present instance to either of the following causes:—

(a) The weighbridge not being properly adjusted
(b) The horse not being completely detached from the load.
(c) On the incapacity of the person in charge.

It was only last evening the weighbridge tickets

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were placed in our hands, otherwise we would have drawn your attention to the matter sooner.

Yr Obt. Servants,
Thos. Jones & Co.
Per L. Curran.

Ordered That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to consider the advisability of taking up possession of the machine, and working it under their own direct management. also to send a copy of letter to Miss Maher.

Milners' Safe Company Ltd.,
22 Dawson Street.
Dublin, Jany 6th 1908.

Dear Sir,

Referring to the call of our representative and the quotation he handed you for Milner fire proof safe, we would be glad to know if the Council are likely to place the order for same?

Assuring you of our best care and attention.

We are.
Yours faithfully,
For Milners' Safe Co Ltd.
H. J. O'Hare.
Representative for Ireland.

The Town Clerk,
New Ross.

Ordered That Milners' Safe Co be informed the Council have decided not to purchase an additional safe.

Letter from Co Inspector R. I. Constabulary, Wexford, inquiring if the matter of Telephonic Communication was considered by the Council, and with ~~woth~~ what result.

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The Clerk stated that he informed the County Inspector the matter had been referred to the Finance Committee but there was no meeting of that Committee since.

There was no further order made on the matter.

A letter was received from Messrs Wilkins & Burden Electrical Engineer, Dublin, drawing attention to the fact that it is now commercially possible for towns of a small population to instal their own generating plant for the supply of Electricity for Lighting and Power.

Ordered That they be asked to furnish further particulars respecting the matter, and also that the Clerk write to other Firms mentioned by John Murphy for similar information.

Letter from D. & S. E. Rly Co. regretting they could not open a flag station at Glenvale, or consent to the issue of 2nd class market tickets.

No Order made

Letter from Commissioners of Valuation stating that he had not yet received the official copy of the Order of the Court reducing the Gas Works valuation.

On receipt of it he will issue official notice for rating purposes.

No Order made

Wm G. Williams

The foreman applied for an extra horse and man, and it was ordered that he get one for a fortnight, the Clerk to engage him from Mr Hogan or Mr Hartley whichever is cheapest.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 14th Jan 1908

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Tuesday 14th January 1908 a Quarterly meeting of the Newkoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7. oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898.

Present Messrs Wm. G. Williams Presiding
John Fanning
John Meehan
Peter Murphy
David Murphy
John and Murphy

The Clerk stated that some complaints had been received of the condition of the surface of Lady Lane which required to be repaired very badly.

After a brief discussion it was decided to adjourn the matter, and also the meeting to Tuesday 28th Inst. at 7.30 oclock P. M.

John O'Sullivan
Clerk

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Tuesday 14th January 1908

a meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider advisability of taking up possession of the Public Weighbridge on Quay. and working it under the direct control of the Council.

Present Messrs Wm. G. Williams Presiding
John Fanning
John Meehan
Peter Murphy
David Murphy
John and Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

correspondence

96 Mary St.
NewRoss. 14/1/08.

Chairman & Gentlemen of
Urban Council.

At your last meeting of the Urban Council which was held on last Tuesday night, there was a charge made about the Public Weighbridge by Messrs Jones & Co per Mr L. Curran.

He purchased some bark altogether consisting 35 loads of which he had an order for 6 loads, he then states that he re-weighed them at his own ouncil which is not in the firm certainly he drafted the bark in drafts of 2/3 cwt, and how Mr Curran expected that a load weighed at the Public Weigh-

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bridge could stand drafting of 2/3 cwts I cannot tell.

He then states that the weighbridge tickets were T 6 - C 17 - qrs 0 - lbs 0 the weight of his drafting T 6 - cwt 1 - qrs 3 - lbs 7 the weight when it arrived at its destination was T 6 - cwt 1 - qrs 0 - lbs 0 where then did the st 3 - lbs 7 go to when he weighed it so accurately at his ~~to~~ own scales.

What guarantee is there to condemn the Public Weighbridge in its weight no more than the scales which drafted the bark in the firm, I think that the Public weighbridge that was tested by the authorities not five months ago should stand before any other weight. In speaking of the empty carts and seeing that all ropes, creels, and covers should be there when it is re-weighed I cannot really agree with that statement certainly the creel that draws the bark must be re-weighed but if a man comes to town with a load of any commodity to sell and perhaps have a coat or two on the top of the load and perhaps again re-weighing the cart may have the coat on his back, is the person then in charge supposed to command the man to take off the coats and put them on the empty cart to be re-weighed.

If Mr Curran thought the bark was not weighed correct it was on the day the bark was weighed in the presence of Mr Curran himself, Mr M. J. Finn Clerk of the Urban Council and Mr Mc. Lennon (the man that sold it) he had a right to object.

As to Mr Dooley's statement about the man being inside watching the lever and the man that was outside need only put his toe on the Weigh-bridge and add from ¼ cwt to 2 cwt on the weight by Mr Dooley's suggestion, I think I would require two persons one inside to watch the lever and the other outside to keep the feet of the Council but as many years as I have the Council I never heard of such a game of chance before.

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as to Mr Peter Murphy's charge stating that he had many complaints to make, I dont see where the came in as his business transactions with the Public Weighbridge were rather small.

As to Mr Joe Roche's verdict on the matter I emphatically deny that his statement is true as up to 8 years I did not require to engage any person for to stand at the Public Weigh-bridge or were there any charge ever brought by anyone against it until about 3 years ago but time seems to fly rather quickly with Mr Roche.

Chairman and Gentlemen of the Urban Council my statement is made clear to you trusting it will find favour in your respective reading.

I remain Respectfully yours,
Bridget Maher.

Proposed by David Murphy and
Seconded by Peter Murphy

That the consideration of the matter be adjourned to next meeting.

Passed Unanimously

a letter was received from the Pitner Lighting Co stating that the Council's letter of enquiry had been forwarded to their South of Ireland Agency at Limerick.

There was also one from Messrs Wilkins and Burden stating that a Generating Plant for the supply of Electricity for both Public Lighting and private consumers could be installed for the sum of £2,000. This figure could be lower or higher but the expenditure would be in direct proportion to the size, or output of machinery installed.

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These letters were not considered pending the receipt of communication from other firms.

Letter from Gas bo stating that they intend opening road in John St to lay a supply gas pipe.

No order made

An application was received from Mrs Merrigan for a new grate and repairs to range and the matter was referred to the Street Committee.

Mr John J. Browne rent collector reported that the weekly tenants are paying their rents very satisfactory. James Somers and Ellen Merrigan required to have the ranges in their houses repaired.

Ordered That the matter be referred to the Street Committee.

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and John Meehan and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 187	Zimber Bro.	Newross	£ 4 .. 2 .. 6	
" 188	John Harrington		2 .. 8 .. 10	
" 189	M. J. Flinn		6 .. 5 .. 0	
" 190	Do		8 .. 6 .. 8	
" 191	Treasurer L. Gy. Board		6 .. 6 .. 0	
" 192	M. J. Flinn		9 .. 5 .. 5	
" 193	Patrick Kent	Waterford,	10 .. 0 .. 0	
" 194	Patrick Blake	Dublin. Loans ac	386 .. 0 .. 0	
" 195	Jeremiah Murphy	B.E. Loans ac	15 .. 0 .. 0	
" 196	D. & S. E. Rly Co	Loans ac	16 .. 4	

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The monthly, and other Accounts as per list on foregoing page were submitted to the meeting and on the proposal of Mr Meehan, Seconded by Mr Fanning were ordered to be paid.

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that on each day he found the several streets and lanes of the town clean. He found Patrick Dempsey wheeling a loaded truck on footpath at North St. He has repeatedly cautioned him. A commercial traveller also blocked the footpath with his show cases. Treaney & Hanlon had two empty boxes outside their premises at North St, each day since the 11th.

Ordered That Dempsey be informed by the Clerk he will be prosecuted if he is again caught rolling a Truck on the footpath. There was no order made on the other matters.

He also reported that he had a Trap placed at the gullet at Dunphy's corner. a flag is broken outside Doherty & Murphy's North St, and Power Bros South St.

The footpath outside the premises of Thos. Ashe, Thos. Dunphy and Endowed School were in a very dirty state.

That the attention of Mr Blake be directed to these flags which are broken and that he be requested to have them properly re-set, and good flags substituted for the broken ones.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 28th Inst.

John O'Sullivan
Chairman

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Wednesday 15th January 1908

The Polling for the Election of four Urban District Councillors for the NewRoss Ward in place of Messrs John Hand, John Fanning, John Meehan, and Joseph Roche, who retired by rotation, took place to-day. The following were duly nominated Viz:- Michael Walsh Ainmount, John O'Sullivan Quay St. William Mc. babe, Pat.k J. Delaney Irishtown, John Hand William St. John Fanning Wm. St. and John Meehan Pondfields.

The poll resulted as follows:-

Patrick J. Delaney	350	votes
Michael Walsh	491	"
John O'Sullivan	389	"
William Mc. babe	374	"
John Meehan	282	"
John Fanning	159	"
John Hand	121	"

The Returning officer declared Messrs Michael Walsh, John O'Sullivan, William Mc. babe, & Patrick J. Delaney, duly elected councillors for the Ward.

Mr John S. Hearn was the only candidate nominated for the Rosbercon Ward and he was declared duly elected a councillor for it.

Matthew J. Flynn
Returning Officer

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Thursday 23rd January 1908 The Annual meeting of the Council was held this day at 12 oclock noon, to elect a Chairman for the ensuing year, and if deemed advisable, a Vice Chairman.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. outgoing Chairman
David Murphy
Dr. Walsh
Patrick J. Delaney
John O'Sullivan
William Mc. Cabe
Peter Murphy
Samuel and Hill

Proposed by David Murphy and
Seconded by Dr. Walsh

That the outgoing Chairman Mr John S. Hearn J.P. be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

The proposer referred at length to the great attention given to the discharge of the sometimes very onerous duties of the office for the past two years, by Mr Hearn and stated that the Council should recognize its indebtness to him by unanimously re-electing him its Chairman for the third year.

The Chairman before putting the resolution thanked the members of the Council and stated that in deference to their wishes he would consent to accept the position for another year. He however feared that he would not be able to devote as much attention to matters in the future, as he did in the past, and suggested that a Vice-Chairman be elected for the present year at least.

The resolution was then put to the meeting

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and passed with acclamation.

The Chairman then took his declaration accepting office, and the consideration of the appointment of a Vice-Chairman was proceeded with.

Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by John O'Sullivan

"That Mr W. G. Williams be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year"

Passed Unanimously

The following letter, received from the Contractor, in reply to one addressed to him, intimating that the Council had fixed Monday 27th Inst, for the formal opening of the Waterworks was read:—

36 Westmoreland St,
Dublin, Jan 22nd 1908.

NewRoss Water Supply

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 21st Inst, I can meet your Council on Monday next at the Storage Reservoir at Dranagh at 1 o'clock.

If possible I shall go down by the first train, but in any case I shall be at the Reservoir about 1 o'clock.

Mr Murphy is completing a Survey for me and I am writing him to send me the way-leave measurements which I shall forward on to you.

Yours faithfully,
H. Bergin.

M. J. Flinn Esq.
NewRoss.

The Engineer also wrote stating that he would meet the

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3 North Lt Georges St,
Dublin, Jan 22nd 1908.

Dear Sir,

Thanks for yours of 21st Inst. Monday 27th Inst will suit me nicely I have telephoned to Mr Bergin and he says he will also go down on Monday, I would go down by 6.15 a.m. mail. Monday morning to Newross and Mr Bergin would go by 10 a.m. from Kildare getting off at Ballyvilliam 12-40. Mr Bergin says he will go direct to Dranagh Reservoir getting there 1-30 P.M. I will also go to Dranagh first, getting there 1-30. I trust this arrangement will suit your council to be at Dranagh 1.30 afterwards going to Ballyleigh. I would be much obliged if you kindly let me know (by return if possible) if this arrangement will suit your council. I would be glad if you could let me know approximately the number of councillors that propose attending.

Yours faithfully,
P. Blake.

M. J. Flinn Esq

It was agreed that as many members of the council as possibly can be present at the opening ceremony and that the Clerk also attend, and the representatives of the Press, and that the contractor be informed of this decision.

It was also ordered that the Clerk engage a wagonnettee and cars if necessary for the convey-ence of the members to Dranagh.

The meeting adjourned

John F Sullivan
Chairman

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Tuesday 28th January 1908

a Quarterly meeting of the NewRoss Urban Council was held this day at 7 oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
Peter Murphy
William Mc. Cabe
Dr. Walsh
Patrick J. Delaney
John and Murphy

The Clerk stated that some complaints had been received of the condition of the surface of Lady Lane which required to be repaired very badly.

after a brief discussion it was decided to adjourn the matter.

The meeting adjourned

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Tuesday 28th January 1908

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider appointment of Town Surveyor, and take such action as may be deemed advisable in connection therewith, and a letter from Miss Maher relative to the alleged inaccurate weighing of the weigh-bridge, also to elect the various Committees.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan Presiding
Peter Murphy
William Mc.babe
Dr. Walsh
Patrick J. Delaney
John and Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and William Mc.babe and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 197 M. J. Flinn NewRoss £19.19.7

Correspondence

Great Western Railway
Upper Newrath House,
Waterford, 22nd Jan 1908.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the interview which I had the pleasure of having with you recently when I explained the desire and efforts of my Company to get through Goods and Merchandise Rates arranged via Fishguard between the principal stations on the

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Dublin and South Eastern Railway, and the Great Western System, including London, Birmingham, the Midlands, South Staffordshire, the South and West of England, Bristol, Reading, and the populous centres of Swansea, Cardiff, South Wales, etc, etc,

The subject is expected to come before the Railway and Canal Commissioners in Dublin sometime during next month and if your Council were to pass a Resolution in favour of granting through rates between stations on the D.+S.E. System and the Great Western Railway, it would no doubt materially assist us. I shall also be further obliged if some member or members of your Executive were deputed to give evidence if such should be necessary in support of same.

I need hardly point out that the question of getting through rates for Goods to and from the Town + District represented by your Council is an important one as effecting your Trade + Commerce generally.

Hoping for your assistance and awaiting the favour of a reply.

I am Dear Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
W. Beddoes.
English + Irish Traffic
Representative, G. W. R.

M. J. Finn Esq,
Town Clerk.

Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by William Mc. Cabe

"That we the NewRoss Urban District Council request the Railway and Canal Commissioners to grant the application of the Great Western Railway Co of England for through goods and merchandise rates between stations on their line of railway, and those of the Dublin and South Eastern, as we believe every facility should be afforded for

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"the transit of Irish produce to England and
"Wales and also for receipt of merchandise from
"England, and that a copy of this resolution be
"sent to the Great Western Railway Co."

Passed Unanimously

A letter was received from Ellen Mernigan, William St, asking to have a new range put upstairs in her house, and it was referred to the Street Committee.

A letter was received from Mr T.A. Ashe Quay, complaining of the state of the channel outside his premises, and it was ordered to be referred to the Street Committee.

A circular letter was received from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, drawing attention to the Butter and Margarine Act, 1907, but there was No order made on it.

An application was received from Ellen Grace William St, for the tenancy of a house at William St. She offered Mr Samuel Hill as Surety, and on the proposition of Mr Peter Murphy, Seconded by Mr John O'Sullivan, it was accepted.

The Pitner Lighting Company.

4 Quay. Waterford, 16th Jan 1908.

Dear Sir,

Your favour of 11th Inst, to the Dublin office has been forwarded to me.

I will be pleased to call on you at Newross if you will say day and time convenient to you or if you will be in Waterford soon I can better explain

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our light as I have an installation at this office which you can see working.

Kindly say does your bouncil want the installation or does it require an estimate for lighting the town for a period.

Yours truly,
Richard Farrell.

M. J. Flinn Esq

No order made

Dublin,
Jan 14th 1908.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your esteemed enquiry re Public and Private lighting we have written Messrs De Laittee on the matter and will write you further in a post or two. In the meantime if you will give us an idea of the number of lamps and a rough plan of the streets and the probable number of houses to be lighted it would be a great matter to us.

Yours truly,
Thos. Dockrell Sons & Co Ltd.

M. J. Flinn Esq

That Messrs Dockrell Sons & Co Ltd be informed that before considering the question of the public lighting of the town, the bouncil would wish to have a demonstration of the illuminating power &c of the light to be used by Messrs De Laitte, and they hereby invite them to give a demonstration say, in their office, or Tholsel, the expense of same to be borne by Messrs De Laitte.

A Quotation of 14/= each, for three Poor Rate Books was received from Messrs N. Harvey & Co Waterford, and it was ordered to be accepted.

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Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That this meeting declares a vacancy exists in the Council, owing to the disqualification of Mr James J. O'Gorman.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to elect a member in room of Mr James J. O'Gorman dis-qualified. and that notice be published on placard.

A circular letter was received from Wm. Willett in reference to "the waste of daylight" but there was no order made on it.

Previous to the commencement of the Sanitary business, the following resolution of condolence with Mr David Murphy proposed by the Chairman and Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy was unanimously adopted and a copy ordered to be sent to him Viz:- "That we tender to Mr David Murphy a "highly respected, and valued member of our Council, "our sincere sympathy and condolence on the "occasion of the death of his brother-in-law "Mr Power".

The letter received from Miss Maher in reference to Weighbridge, entered on minutes of last meeting, was again briefly considered, and adjourned to next meeting, the members to be summoned to consider it, and also the advisability of taking up possession of the Public Weighbridge on Quay, and working it under the direct control of the Council.

Mr Delaney drew attention to the necessity which exists

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for having the lamps at Irishtown, and approaches thereto, lighted on fair mornings, for the convenience of people attending the fair, and it was ordered that the question of having them lighted be considered at next meeting.

attention was drawn to the necessity of having additional men employed temporarily on the streets so as to cleanse them properly, and the matter was referred to the Street Committee, as was also the condition of the channel in Nunnery Lane near its junction with Albany St.

Ordered That two men be employed for a few days to make up the manure in the yard, which is strewn around in the way, into heaps.

That the Master of the Union be asked to state if he has any stones for sale, and if so the price per ton of same.

That Mr Connolly repair door of manure yard, as soon as possible, so that same can be closed.

The following Committees were elected

Street Committee :- Messrs Patrick J. Delaney, John Murphy W. G. Williams, John O'Sullivan, & James G. Dooley.

Finance Committee Messrs David Murphy, Peter Murphy, John S. Hearn J.P. James B. Hearn.

The Street Inspector reported that on each day he found the greater number of the streets and lanes in a very muddy state. He found a person wheeling a hand cart on footpath on Quay.

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the footpath being entirely blocked by it.

Ordered That the Clerk inform this person he will be prosecuted if again caught rolling a truck on the footpath.

There was no order made respecting the condition of the streets as the matter had been already referred to the Street Committee.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 11th February 1908.

Monday 3rd February 1908
Monthly meeting day

No attendance of members.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 11th February 1908.

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Monday 3rd February 1908

a meeting of the Street bommittee was held this day at 11 oclock a.M.

Present Messrs John S. Heam J.P.
John O'Sullivan
John and Murphy

Letters received from Mrs Merrigan & Mrs Lyrace asking to have certain repairs carried out on their houses, were considered and it was decided to ask Mr Andrew Cullen to prepare a Specification of the necessary repairs to be done on these houses and the houses occupied by Mrs Cullen Bullawn and Anne Delaney Playground.

During the discussion respecting house occupied by Mrs Cullen it was mentioned that this woman had not paid any rent to the Council since the property came into their possession, and some members of the bommittee were apprehensive that she might acequire a right of ownership to it after some years, if she did not pay any rent, and the bommittee accordingly ordered that the Council's Solicitors be asked to advise whether this is so.

It was decided not to incur any expense, at present, in connection with repairing of channel &c in Nunnery Lane, referred to by Mr Peter Murphy at meeting of Council, as the years expense in connection with road maintenence was very considerable.

Regarding the advisability of employing additional men on the Street it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the Clerk, he to be empowered to employ one or two whenever he considers same necessary.

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a letter was received from the Master of the Workhouse offering 70 tons of broken stones @ 4/3 per ton.

Ordered That this proposal be accepted, two loads to be weighed, and the remainder measured according to bulk in cart weighed.

a letter was received from Mr Connolly asking permission to remove the open grating over drain at East end of Cooper's Lane, a little farther up, and it was ordered that the necessary permission be given, and that a proper grating be supplied by the Council, out of stock, to be fixed instead of the one in it, it being understood that Mr Connolly was willing to set it free of cost to the Council.

The meeting adjourned

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Tuesday 11th February 1908

a meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith, also to consider letters from Jones Bro & Miss Maher relative to weighbridge, and advisability of taking up possession of it, also to elect, or co-opt, a councillor in room of Mr James J. OGorman; consider lighting of lamps at Inishtown on Fair mornings: and appointment of Town Surveyor, to elect a Technical Instruction Committee.

Present Messrs W. G. Williams Vice Chairman
Peter Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
William Mc. Labe
John OSullivan
David Murphy
and
Patrick J. Delaney

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Vice Chairman and Messrs Patrick Dunphy and David Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No	198	John Tobin		£ 12 .. 10 .. 0
"	199	Mrs M. S. Williams		2 .. 14 .. 6
"	200	Technical Instruction Committee		5 .. 18 .. 1
"	201	Patrick Carroll		1 .. 5 .. 0
"	202	Patrick Redmond		4 .. 6 .. 8
"	203	Do		4 .. 6 .. 8
"	204	Andrew Cullen		3 .. 6 .. 10
"	205	M. J. Flinn		8 .. 6 .. 8
"	206	Shand Mason & Co	London	68 .. 12 .. 6
"	207	W. G. Whitney		7 .. 6
"	208	John J. Browne		6 .. 9 .. 4
"	209	M. J. Flinn		22 .. 16 .. 1

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No	210	Sec School attendance bte	£ 8 .. 6 .. 2
..	211	John J. Browne	41 .. 14 .. 0
..	212	M. J. Finn	20 .. 11 .. 3
..	213	Jeremiah Murphy B.E.	3 .. 0 .. 0

Report of Finance Committee

Your Committee met at 6 P.M. this evening and examined a number of bills submitted to us, we recommend payment of the following Viz (see list at commencement of Minutes).

We recommend that no further action be taken by the Council respecting the establishment of Telephonic communication between Wexford, NewRoss & Enniscorthy, through the R.I.C. barracks as all the expenses in connection with same will have to be defrayed by the Council.

Regarding the application of the Technical Instruction Committee that the Council negotiate a loan for the building of a Technical School, we cannot recommend the Council to undertake this responsibility with the information before us at present. Before considering the matter we think the Technical Committee should select the site, and submit Plans and Estimate of cost, for the information of this Council when the matter can be fully considered by them.

We desire again to direct the earnest attention of the Council to the large amount of rates for the current year which are at this date outstanding. The net amount of Town Rate exclusive of uncollectable rates exceeds £350, whilst the Poor Rate is about £300, we recommend that the Collectors be directed to proceed with their respective collections forthwith and that they be informed the Council will hold them personally responsible for any rates outstanding at the

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close of the collection, which should have been lodged by them.

There is also a large amount of rent due by weekly tenants which the bollector should have collected at once, failing which possession of the houses in some five or six cases should be obtained.

We recommend that the amount for which the Tholsel is insured be increased and that the maces, Furniture &c in the building be also insured for such sum as may be decided upon.

Signed

John S. Hearn
David Murphy

11-2-1908.

Proposed by Mor O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mor Mc. Gabe

"That the report of the Finance bommittee be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made".

Passed Unanimously

Previous to the reading of the foregoing report the following resolution was, on the proposal of Mor Peter Murphy, Seconded by Mor Dunphy Unanimously passed Viz:- That the Standing orders be suspended to permit of the Finance business being transacted with a view to an adjournment of the meeting.

Ordered

That Mor Andrew Cullen be directed to erect a small shed, and door on existing one, in Council's yard at William St.

It was decided to adjourn the meeting to Friday, so as to enable the members to attend a lecture, and distribution of prizes at the Technical Schools.
The meeting adjourned to 14th Feby 1908. John S Hearn

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Friday 14th February 1908

An adjourned meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider letters from Jones & Co & Miss Maher relative to Weighbridge, and advisability of taking up possession of it, also to elect, or co-opt, a Councillor in room of Mr James J. Glynnan; consider lighting of lamps at Irishtown on Fair mornings and appointment of Town Surveyor, to elect a Technical Committee.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Patrick Dunphy
William McCabe
Wm. G. Williams
John O'Sullivan
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
Patrick J. Delaney
David Murphy
John Murphy
Dr. Walsh
and
James B. Hearn

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Patrick Dunphy & David Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:- (see list on page 574).

A letter was received from Wm. Beddoes Waterford, Agent Great Western Railway, acknowledging receipt of resolution passed by the Council in favour of through traffic rates with the D. & S. E. Rly Co.

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A letter was received from Andrew Meaney Master of Workhouse offering on behalf of the Board of Guardians to supply 70 tons of broken stones at 4/3 per ton.

Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by David Murphy

"That the proposal of the Master of Workhouse to supply 70 tons of broken stones at 4/3 per ton be accepted".

Passed Unanimously

A letter was received from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, asking for the names of persons appointed as a Technical Committee for the Urban District. They enclosed a Form upon which the names are to be entered.

Ordered That the Clerk furnish the necessary particulars.

a proposal was received from Mary Quigley Chapel Lane, for the tenancy of a house at Chapel Lane. She offered Mr James Brennan as Surety, and on the proposition of Peter Murphy, Seconded by David Murphy it was accepted.

South St Georges St,
Dublin. Feby 7th 1908.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your esteemed favour re your Council Meeting inviting us to give you a demonstration of the De Laitte Gas in your town or at Tholsel, we beg to inform you that we have taken the matter up with Messrs De Laitte we having suggested to them that it would be more desirable if you would send a deputation from your Committee to Dublin when we

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could explain in our Warehouse the working of the Installation and if necessary bring them to 2 or 3 places in the county Dublin where we have it installed. We would be willing to bear the expense of this deputation coming to the City.

We may mention that we will be probably installing a house in Enniscorthy and we are also at the present time fixing a 110 Light Machine at St Mc. Cartan's Seminary, Monaghan.

If you would be good enough to give us number of lamp posts and the probable number of consumers in your town it would be of great assistance to Messrs De Laittee in giving you a quotation for the lighting of the town and houses. You might also let us have the length of the streets which you intend lighting. Please say if you have ~~the~~ a water supply in the town and the pressure of same.

Yours truly,
Thos. Dockrell Sons & Co Ltd.

No order made as the matter will come before meeting on 25th Inst.

A letter was received from the Manager D & S. E. Rly Co. acknowledging receipt of letter of 1st Inst, in reference to the condition of the road at Foundry, and stating that he will look into the matter at once.

No Order made

Proposed by John Murphy and
Seconded by Dr. Walsh

That the following members be elected on the Technical Instruction Committee for

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the ensuing year Viz:- Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. James B. Hearn, David Murphy, Peter Murphy, Patrick Dunphy, Wm. G. Williams, and Samuel Hill,
other members — Messrs Andrew Cullen, John Cahill, Henry Ellis and Brother Cregan.

Passed Unanimously

General Valuation & Boundary Survey,
of Ireland,
6 Ely Place, Dublin,
11th February, 1908.

No 47578

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioner of Valuation to enclose a schedule showing an alteration in Valuation recently made by the Court of Quarter Sessions, which is to be adopted for rating purposes as from the 1st March 1907.

I am Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Alfd Herbett.
Chief Clerk.

The Clerk,
Urban District Council.

The right of Easement over land occupied by pipes was reduced from £240 to £70.

The Annual Demand was received from the County Council the amount of which is £1246-2-3, being £70 in excess of last year.

Ordered That it be referred to the Finance Committee.

A certificate was received from Dr. O'Connor that John Power was suffering from Influenza and was unfit to work.

The Clerk reported that Power was not working for five days owing to illness, but was paid his wages, this

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being customary when a certificate is produced, and same was approved of by the meeting.

A circular letter was received from the Local Government Board, in reference to the approaching elections of County Councillors and Guardians specifying the duties &c of Returning and Deputy Returning officers, and conveying general instructions relative to the elections.

Ordered

That it be referred to the Clerk.

The consideration of the letter received from Messrs Jones & Co and Miss Maher, in reference to the alleged inaccuracy of weight of loads of bark weighed for Messrs Jones was taken up, and after considerable discussion the following resolution was
Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy

"That Miss Maher be informed if she does not place the public Weigh-bridge in charge of a competent person they will be compelled to take up possession of it".

Passed Unanimously

It was also ordered that in future the Clerk check, the weights of any loads weighed at it occasionally.

Proposed by Patrick Dunphy and
Seconded by James B. Hearn

"That Mr Joseph Roche be co-opted a member of the Council in the room of Mr James J. O'Gorman".

Passed Unanimously

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It was ordered that the Engineer be asked to state if a connection can be made with the main water pipe to enable the public closet and Urinal at rere of Fish House on Quay to be flushed whenever necessary, and if so to kindly state cost of same; also where a stand or pipe for filling watering cart may be obtained and if it can be fixed to Hydrant, same as stand pipe.

It was decided to adjourn the question of having lamps lighted at Irishtown until the new contract will be entering into next August, as the mornings are now getting long.

The consideration of the appointment of a Town Surveyor was adjourned to next meeting and it was agreed that it be the first item on the agenda for that meeting.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Mr Dunphy :-

at next meeting I will move that the resolution of the Council of the 10th. April 1907, altering the day of the holding of the meetings from Wednesday to Tuesday be rescinded and that in future the meetings be held on the second and fourth Wednesdays in each month.

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday 25th. February 1908.

John L Hearn

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Tuesday 25th February 1908

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, and consider appointment of Town Surveyor. also Notice of Motion served by Patrick Dunphy Viz:- "That the resolution of the council of the 10th April 1907, altering the day of the holding of the meetings from Wednesday to Tuesday be rescinded and that in future the meetings be held on the second and fourth Wednesday in each month".

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
Patrick J. Delaney
John Murphy
William Mc. Labe
David Murphy
Wm. G. Williams
Joseph and Roche

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Joseph Roche and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 214 M. J. Flinn NewRoss £18 - 4 - 11

A tender was received from Mr Patrick Kearney for heap of manure No 33 for which he offered 12/=, and it was accepted, as was also one from Mr John Whitty Camblin, for two heaps Nos 35 & 36 @ 15/= each.

A proposal of Mr Geo Moran of 3d per load for heap of road scrapings at Windmill Lane, was also accepted

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on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr W. Mc. Cabe.

Correspondence

A letter was received from the Surveyor of Taxes. Waterford, dated 21st Feby, asking why a balance of Income Tax, £2..16..3, for year 1906/7 was not being paid, and the Clerk stated that he was not aware there was any Income Tax due for that year as all the Council were legally bound to pay had been paid. He had however written for particulars of the claim.

No order made

An acknowledgment was received from the County Inspector R.I. Constabulary Wexford, of the receipt of the Council's letter of the 15th Inst, conveying the decision of the Council not to proceed further with the question of establishing telephonic communication between Wexford, Enniscorthy and Newross, but there was no order made upon it.

Dublin & South Eastern Railway.
Dublin, 18th Feby 1908.

Dear Sir,

With further reference to your letter of 1st Inst., I have inquired into the matter, and find that the public road over this Company's line at the Foundry Store Rosbercon is at present in very good condition, 18 to 20 tons of macadam having been put on it. I understand, however, that a similar quantity will be required to keep the road in good order during the Spring and Summer months, and the additional macadam has been ordered.

Yours faithfully.
A. G. Reid.

M. J. Kinn Esq

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Ordered That the General Manager be informed the Council are of opinion that 18 or 20 tons of macadam is not at all sufficient for the road referred to, and that it requires at least double that quantity to put it in a proper condition of repair.

Report of Collector

New Ross,
24th Feby 1908.

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to report that there has been about a half dozen slates blown off John Dunbars house Folly House Lane, and two slates off Edward Whitty's adjoining, also slates off Curran's house Bullaun.

Weekly Tenants owing one month's rent

John Hand	Wm St	2/6	per week	12 - 3
John Cass	"		"	10 - 6
Mrs Allen	"		"	18 - 6
James Cullen	"		"	13 - 0
Mrs Canterbury	"	1/9	"	11 - 0
Mrs Druhan	"	1/9	"	7 - 0
John O'Neill	"		"	9 - 6
Margt Donovan	Hair Gate		"	11 - 9
Edward Whitty	"		"	11 - 9
Anne Ryan	Church Lane		"	15 - 0
Joseph Allen	Bullaun		"	15 - 7

John J. Browne,
Collr.

Ordered That the Collector be informed he must have

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all the outstanding rent, mentioned in his report, collected within three months, and that the question of repairs be referred to the Street Committee to give the necessary instructions to have them carried out.

It was agreed that a meeting of the Street Committee be held on Thursday evening at 4 oclock, to transact business in connection with the streets, inspect houses of the Council which require repairs and give the necessary instructions to Mr Connolly to have the repairs which are necessary carried out.

A resolution received from the Drogheda Corporation calling upon the Local Government Board to revoke that portion of The Public Bodies Order 1904, prohibiting the advertising of the accounts of the Public Bodies in Ireland was marked "Read" the meeting being of opinion that the advantage (if any) to be derived from the publication would not justify the expenditure.

We the undersigned, beg to request the Urban Council of NewRoss, to be good enough to recommend to the Governors of the Trinity Hospital, Mrs Mary Galavan widow, of the Fair Gate, NewRoss, for admission to the said charitable Institution. She is a Sister of Mr Patrick Hennessy of Glansinsaw, who pays £60 a year as the rent of his Farm, which goes towards the support of the Inmates of the said Trinity Hospital. She is also an old and respected inhabitant of NewRoss, She is 70 years of age, was once in affluent circumstances, but now nay poor, and destitute, having buried all her family of 10, I am one, who is now in a dying state, the victim of the dread disease of Consumption.

This application was signed by Dean Kavanagh and several influential inhabitants of NewRoss.

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Ordered

That Mrs Galavan be strongly recommended by the Council for admission on the occasion of the next vacancy in the Hospital.

The consideration of Mr Dunphy's Notice of Motion was next taken up and it was
Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by William Mc. Cabe

"That the resolution of the Council of the 10th April 1907. altering the day of the holding of the meetings from Wednesday to Tuesday be rescinded and that in future the meetings be held on the second and fourth Wednesdays in each month."

Passed Unanimously

The letter received from Messrs Dockrell & Co Ltd. relative to the De Laittee Gas which is entered on the minutes of the last meeting, was considered and the following order made Viz:-

"That Messrs Dockrell & Co be informed the Council would very much prefer that they would give the demonstration in this building, as originally invited, when the merits of the gas could be very fully considered, both by the Council, and other inhabitants of NewRoss, who might possibly wish to give it a trial, if the demonstration proved its superiority over coal gas from the point of view of cheapness, and brillancy."

The consideration of the appointment of a Town Surveyor was again adjourned.

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a pamphlet dealing with the Housing of the Working classes in Towns in Ireland was received from Joseph Devlin, who stated that he will be glad to receive a copy of any resolution passed by the Council on the subject, but the consideration of the matter was adjourned.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 11th March 1908.

John J Hearn

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Thursday 27th February 1908

A meeting of the Street Committee was held this day at 4.30 O'Clock P.M. to inspect footpaths, and houses of the Council which require repairs, and give the necessary instructions to Mr Connolly to have the repairs which are deemed necessary carried out

Present Messrs John S Hearne Jr.
James. G. Dooley
and
William G Williams

The committee proceeded to inspect footpaths, and Channel at Mr Ashe's premises on Quay, as well as the houses.

They directed that a new flag be procured, and set, outside Mr Quinn's at South St, but did not make any order respecting the Channel at Mr Ashe's.

They directed Mr James Connolly, who accompanied the Committee to carry out the following repairs Viz:-

House occupied by Mrs Grace Wm St - Repair range, drain, and doors.
" " " Mrs Johnson do - " Window Sashes
" " " Mrs Merrigan - Supply, and fix new range
" " " Mrs Hickey - Repair front door and windows
" " " Mrs Reidy - " back door, and windows.
" " " John Dunbar - Repair slating, also to re-set and level up granite stone in footpath near R. I. C. barrack.

They next inspected house in French's Lane, owned by the Council, which they considered unfit for human habitation, owing to its dangerous condition, and not worth repairing. They decided to recommend that possession of the house be taken up and that it be pulled down.

They also decided to have a piped drain fixed between the two Fountains in Roosercon (one at School house road, and one opposite Chapel) and the drain sewer, and directed the Clerk to obtain a tender from the Contractor, after which,

The Meeting adjourned.

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Monday 2nd March 1908

A monthly meeting of the Council to be held this day at 12 Oclock noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith. No member of the Council attended.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 11th March 1908

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Wednesday 11th March 1908

A meeting of The Dew Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Oblock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Public Health (Ireland) Acts, Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John. S. Deane J.P. presiding
Peter Murphy
Wm G Williams
Joseph Roche
Dr Walsh
John Murphy
and
James Dreard

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Joseph Roche and Wm Mc Cabe and the following Paying Orders were ordered to be issued. Viz:-

No 215 -	Secretary & Council	£294-1-0
" 216 -	Dr A Corcoran	4.2
" 217 -	Dr J Grimm	8-6-8
" 218 -	John Falconer	15-0
" 219 -	James B Kearney	15.6
" 220 -	G W Carr	5-2-1
" 221 -	John Tobin	3-2-6
" 222 -	New Ross Gas Co	12-0-10
" 223 -	Same	96-7-7
" 224 -	Manager Waterford News	5-6
" 225 -	James Barron	2-5-4
" 226 -	Thomas Martin	17-11
" 227 -	Mary Hennessy	2-5-0
" 228 -	Freeman's Journal	1-5-6
" 229 -	Daily Independent	1-11-6
" 230 -	Harvey & Co	2-11-0
" 231 -	John J Rorone	8-12-3
" 232 -	Petty Cash	17-5-6
" 233 -	Joseph Freeman	15-7

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234 – Board of Guardians £9-15-8
235 – Patrick Blake 4-10-0
236 – John Kough 9-8-0
237 – Colfer & Gethin wayleave claims Loans a/c 35-13-4

Letter from Local Government Board No 12,438:1908, Dated 7th March 1908, drawing attention to the backward condition of the Poor Rate Collection for the Current half-year, £208 only having been collected out of a total Warrant for the half year of £614. The Collector should be warned he will forfeit his right to poundage fees if he does not close his Collection before or on 31st Inst. They also requested that a statement, showing the state of the Collection to the middle of the Current month, be forwarded to the Board.

Ordered

That a copy of this letter be furnished to the Collector, and he be requested to proceed with the Collection of the Rates as expeditiously as possible, and that a statement showing the state of the Collection on week ending 14th Inst be forwarded to the Local Government Board as soon as possible after that date

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A statement, showing particulars of Interest in lieu of Rent, was received from the Irish Land Commission, from which it appeared that a sum of £18-1-3, due by Richard Thorpe to 1st November, was still unpaid, and it was Ordered that the Clerk bring the matter under the notice of the Council at their next Meeting.

Letter from Commissioner of Valuation, dated 6th March 1908, stating that an unofficial division of premises in Brennan's Lane can be made, and a certificate issued showing such division on payment of a fee of 2/=.

The Clerk stated that the division was not now necessary, and there was no further action taken.

A letter was received from Mr T French M.P. acknowledging

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receipt of copy of resolutions passed by the Council in reference to Pulmonary Tuberculosis, which he stated will have his attention.

A statement was submitted by the Clerk showing amount of Town, and Poor Rate, Collected and outstanding at date as follows:- Town Rate Collected £1399-11-7 Outstanding £203-13-11. Poor Rate - Collected £323-10-4 - Outstanding £290-13-5.

Ordered

That the Collectors be directed to proceed with the collection of the outstanding Rates at once and that they be warned they will forfeit their right to any further poundage if they fail to lodge all collectable rates before 31st Inst.

Tenders were received from Messrs Moran Bros, Kelly's Ltd., Dollard, and R Harvey Heo, for the supply of two Minute Books, the respective prices being 18/6, 16/9, 17/6, and 15/6 each. The tender of Messrs R Harvey Heo being the lowest was accepted, on the Proposal of Mr Roche, seconded by Mr John Murphy.

A tender was also received from Messrs R Harvey Heo for the supply of two town Rate Books at 15/- each and it was Ordered to be accepted.

A proposal for the tenancy of a house in Folly Howe Lane, was received from Thos Daly, who offered Mr Thos. J Murphy as his surety and it was accepted.

A Letter was received from the Local Government Board No 11,020:1908 dated 6th March 1908 stating that the inclusion of water rents in the Rate Book is not authorised by law.

No Order made.

Letter from Sec's Secretary, dated 10th March 1908, asking the Council to communicate with the G S & W Rly Co with a view to having special excursion trains arranged at reasonable

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fares from Cork, Limerick, Kilkenny, Carlow and Rosslare on the opening day of the Feis.
Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

"That the Great Southern"
"& Western Railway Co be asked to run special trains,"
"as requested by the Feis Committee, on the opening day"
"of the Feis".

Passed Unanimously

Letter from Miss Maher, dated 11th Inst, stating that as far as she is aware the person in charge of the public weighbridge is keeping up to every rule that was made for him. He is always ready and willing to re-weigh empty cars if the owners bring them back.

Ordered

That Miss Maher be informed the Council require her to place a more competent person in charge of the Weighbridge than the present man she has there, and that in future all empty carts are to be re-weighed each time they are weighed loaded, tickets showing the weight are not to be issued until the empty car is weighed.

The following copy of resolution, received from the Clerk of the Ida Rural District Council was, on the proposal of Dr Walsh, seconded by Mr Roche, adopted and a copy ordered to forwarded to the Railway Coy Viz:-

"That we beg to direct the attention of the"
"Dublin & South Eastern Railway Co to the bad"
"fencing, only timber paling on the Waterford"
"road which is now rotting to the ground"
"and we request the Co to erect a proper"
"stone wall fencing.

A letter was received from the gas Co stating that they intend opening the road in Briony St for the purpose of Connecting a Supply to house occupied by Mr Wm. Connolly, but there was no Order made upon it.

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The Finance Committee reported that they met this day at 7 Oclock, and examined the Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1908, amounting to 3/= in the £, which they recommend the Council to adopt. They also recommend payment of the following accounts, (see list a commencement of Minutes), and that arrears of rent due as follows, 9/6 by John Whitty, and 15/6 by Mary Doyle, be cancelled. Pending receipt of Engineer's Certificate, referred to by our Solicitor, we cannot recommend payment of Mr Blake's instalment of £358.

John L Hearn
Peter Murphy

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Roche

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, except that portion referring to the Poor Rate, which will come before the Council at a subsequent meeting, the payments recommended by them be paid, and the arrears of rent due by John Whitty 9/6, and Mary Doyle 15/6, be cancelled.

Passed Unanimously

Letter from Messrs. Dockrell Bros & Co dated 2nd March 1908, informing the Council that the smallest machine made in connection with the De Lautte Gas is a 30 light one. It would be very troublesome to take this machine, with its weights, purifiers &c and fix it up in New Ross. They however have made a quarter size model which they will be pleased to send with their representative to meet the Council, and explain the working of the machine, and its economical points as to Consumption of Petrol versus Town Gas.

Ordered

That Messrs Dockrell be informed, Thursday 26th inst. will suit the Council to meet their representative, anytime after 7 Oclock P.M. the demonstration to be given in the Large Room and outside the Tholsel.

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Letter from Commissioner of Valuation stating that he had forwarded the revised Valuation lists for 1908 relating to the Urban District, and they are to be left open for twenty-one days for Inspection. No Order Made.

Letter from D & L Ry Railway, acknowledging receipt of the Comcils letter of 8th Inst, respecting the road over the line at Rosbercon.

The Clerk stated that the road had now been satisfactorily repaired, a sufficient quantity of Metalling been put out, and there was no Order made respecting it

An application was received from James Kalor to have the fish-market re-opened for the sale and purchase of fish, but the matter was referred to the street Committee.

The Clerk reported that Edward Kehoe had not attended a meeting of the Comcil for over six months, and the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr John Dempsey and
Seconded by Mr Peter Dempsey Viz:-

That this meeting declares a vacancy exists in the Council of the Urban District of NewRoss owing to the dis-qualification of Edward Kehoe

Passed Unanimously

The following Notice was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Peter Dempsey and John Dempsey and Ordered to be posted around town Viz:- "

"Notice is hereby given"
"that a vacancy exists in the Comcil of the Urban"
"District of NewRoss owing to the dis-qualification of"
" Mr Edward Kehoe.

A proposal of 8/6 was received from Mr John Redmonds for heap of manure at the Pit wall, but it was not accepted, the price being too low.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 18th March 1908

W. H. Wells

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Friday 13th March 1908

A meeting of the Street Committee was held this day at 11 O'Clock A.M to consider letter received from James Lalor asking to have the Fish house re-opened for the sale of fish.

Present before Wm G Williams
and
John Dempsey

The Committee proceeded to inspect the fish-house, and found it fully occupied by implements, and property of the Council. They decided to recommend the Council to inform Mr Lalor that before considering the question of re-opening the fish house they will require an undertaking in writing from the fishermen that they will make use of the house, if it is reopened, as it was not availed of on the last two occasions it was opened.

The meeting adjourned.

Wm G Williams

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An adjourned Meeting of the Council was held this day, at 7.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Public Health (Ireland) 1878, the Downs Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts Connected therewith, and a special Meeting, called on requisition, was held at 7.45 P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Downs Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, Viz- consider, and if approved of adopt Clerk's estimate of Poor Rate for financial Year ending 31st March 1909.

Present Messrs John S Dean J.P. Chairman presided
Patrick J Delaney
Peter Dunphy
Wm McCabe
David Dunphy
John Dunphy
James B Dean
Dr Walshe
Samuel Hill
Wm G. Williams
Joseph Roche
and
Patrick Dunphy

The applications from Messrs Hand and Butler for the positions of Street and Water Inspector, which are entered on the Sanitary Minutes were considered and it was Proposed by Mr John Dunphy and Seconded by Mr Dunphy "That Mr Butler be appointed Street, and Water, Inspector at a Salary of £26 per Annum

Passed, the Chairman not Voting.

Letter from Messrs Dockrell Son & Co Ltd dated 13th Inst, stating that the Small Model Machine made for demonstrating the De Latte Gas only shows one light burning, or two at most. They are prepared to send this Model with an expert to show the light burning, and

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to explain the great saving over ordinary Coal Gas. The fixing of a full size Machine would take about a week. They will be glad to know of the Council wish the expert to be sent.

Ordered

That Messrs Dockrell be asked to send on the "Model referred to, and expert, on the date fixed, and" "also a Machine for testing the candle power of the" "gas if they have one

The Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for Financial Year ending 31st March 1909, amounting to 3/= in the £, which had already been adopted by the Finance Committee, was submitted to the Meeting, and Considered, when it was Proposed by Mr Wm G. Williams, Seconded by Mr David Murphy and Resolved:-

That the Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for the service of the Financial Year ending 31st March 1909, now before us, be adopted, and that he publish the necessary Notice of our intention to make a Poor Rate of 3/= in the £, and take the necessary steps to enable said rate to be made.

Passed, Mr Roche dissenting.

For the reason stated on the Sanitary Minutes it was decided to hold the next Meeting on Monday 23rd Inst. The adjourned Meeting was accordingly adjourned to Monday, 23rd March 1908

Wm G. Williams

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Monday 23rd March 1908

An adjourned meeting of the Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, elect a Member in the room of Mr Edward Kehoe disqualified

Present William G Williams Vice Chairman presiding
Patrick J Delaney
Wm R. Cole
Peter Dempsey
Samuel Hill
John Dempsey
David Dempsey
John O'Sullivan
and Patrick Dempsey

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Members Samuel Hill and John Dempsey and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-
In Favour Petty Cash £15-16-8

Letter from Local Government Board No 15,215:1908 dated 20th March 1908 approving of Town Rate Book Proof sent them.
No Order Made

Letter from Commissioner of Valuation dated 13th March 1908 respecting the Valuation of premises of Mr Kelly Rec. Quay stating that if an application for revision had been made in September the Commissioner would, under the exceptional circumstances, have dealt with the case. There is no power to alter the Valuation when once lodged with the rating Authorities.
No Order Made.

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Letter from Local Government Board, dated 14th Inst, acknowledging receipt of Statement showing state of Collection of Poor Rate.

Letter from Messrs Wilkins & Burden electrical engineers asking if the Council had arrived at a decision re the probable electric lighting of the town, and the Clerk was directed to inform them that the project has been deferred for the present.

An application was received from Secretary, Co Council, for payment of final instalment of Demand for year, and the Clerk stated that the amount had been paid at last Finance meeting of the Council but had not been received before that letter, which is dated 11th Inst, was written.

An Amended Demand was received from County Council Amounting to £1242-16-3, being £3-6-0 less than original, this being the portion of Amount for Checking Rate Collectors' books to be credited to the Urban District.

A certificate was received from Dr. Dyer that James Keilthy was not in a fit state to work, and it was Ordered that he be paid his wages in full for the present.

The Secretary of the Great Southern & Western Railway Co in acknowledging receipt of resolution passed by the Council asking to have special trains run on some of their system on the Opening day of the Feis, stated that they had already written to the Secretary of the Feis giving full particulars & guarantees required in connection with the trains mentioned, and it was ordered that a copy of this letter be sent to the Feis Secretary.

Letter from General Manager D.W.S.R. Railway Co stating that he caused inquiries to be made into the condition of the roads at

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Roberson and found that it was now in very good condition. Some additional macadam is being sent to Newross for the purpose of keeping the road in good order.
In connection with this, Mr Roche drew attention to the condition of the foottpath over there, and it was Ordered that the Railway Co be directed to have it put in a proper state of repair.

The next business transacted was the Co-option of a Councillor in the room of Mr Edwd Kehoe resigned and it was
Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Shee
That Mr John Cockrill, John St Newross be Co-opted a member of the Council
Passed.

The Street Inspector reported that on some days he found the several streets and lanes clean, whilst on other days they were in a very muddy state. A Mason will be required to re-set the flags taken up to clean the sewer on the Quay, but it was decided to defer this work until the grounds will set properly.

On the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr John Murphy it was Ordered that in future the Street Inspector and Sanitary Sub Officer enter up his reports in Report Book each day.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 8th April 1908.

T. P. Bradley

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Thursday March 26th 1908

A representative of Messrs Dockrell & Sons (Mr Doyle) gave an exhibition of the De Laitte Gas in the Large Room Thobel at 8 O'Clock this evening.

Mr. Patrick Dunphy presided

There were a number of the members of the Council, as well as the general public, present.

The machine used was a model one, capable of supplying only two or three lights, as the smallest ordinary machine is a thirty light one, the fitting up of which would entail considerable time and expense.

Mr Doyle gave a very minute description of the construction and working of the machine, which was very suitable for the lighting of buildings in which about thirty lights are used, gas for illuminating such can be produced at a cost of 1/8 per thousand cubic feet, the initial cost of a plant, capable of such production, being however very high, amounting to about £68. He would not recommend it for lighting private houses, or shops where only a small number of lights are used, as the initial cost would render it too expensive. Mr Doyle quoted extracts from testimonials received from institutions in which it was in use, all of which appeared to be very satisfactory.

On the proposal of Mr Delaney, seconded by Mr Williams, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr Doyle, and the proceedings terminated. Immediately after an informal meeting of some members of the Council, and others, was held in the Council Office, Mr Doyle being present by invitation, for the purpose of discussing the possibility of using the De Laitte Gas for public lighting.

During the discussion Mr Doyle stated that the initial cost of a plant for the public lighting of the town would be very expensive, but if the plant was once erected gas could be produced at a cost of 1/8 per thousand cubic feet. He repeated that the cost of erecting a thirty light burner would be about £68. He suggested that the Council should arrange to have the Office, Stairway, Hall, and Chamber of Commerce lighted by it, and having inspected the inner office, and premises underneath, was of opinion that a machine could be conveniently erected in it, and offered to fix one on a months trial absolutely free of charge, and if at the end of that time the Council did not approve of the machine and working of gas it would be removed. After a brief discussion

The Meeting Adjourned

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Monthly meeting day. No attendance of members. The Meeting was adjourned to ——————
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J J Brosnan

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Wednesday 8th April 1908

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs James G. Dooley Presiding
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
Patrick J. Delaney
David Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
William Mc. Cabe
John Cockrill
John Murphy
Joseph and Roche

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Patrick Dunphy and John Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:—

			£		
No	1	James Power & Co	1	13	10
"	2	Technical Instruction Cte	9	2	8
"	3	Moran Bros.	2	18	6
"	4	Andrew Cullen	11	9	6
"	5	John J. Browne		7	5
"	6	Do	7	11	4
"	7	St Stephens Cemetery Cte	4	13	6
"	8	Patrick Carroll	1	10	0
"	9	M. J. Kinn	8	6	8
"	10	Do	6	5	0
"	11	Do	2	7	10
"	12	John OConnor		18	0
"	13	James Barron	16	12	0
"	14	M. J. Kinn	17	0	9

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No	15	Cashiers Bank of Ireland		£ 358 .. 9 .. 11
..	16	Do		45 .. 2 .. 10
..	17	Do		59 .. 9 .. 2
..	18	Patrick Blake	Dublin	50 .. 0 .. 0
..	19	Do	Loans a/c	358 .. 0 .. 0

Letter from Mr James Connolly asking permission to have a barricade erected outside the premises of Mrs M. J. Moran John St.

Ordered

That the necessary permission be granted.

The Commissioner of Valuation wrote acknowledging receipt of three notices of appeal, but there was no order made.

Letter from Mr French M.P. enclosing copy of a question asked by him in Parliament in reference to the subject matter of the resolution recently passed by the Council dealing with Tuberculosis, and also the reply of the Chief Secretary in which he stated that the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill will contain a clause providing for the compulsory notification of the disease and the official supervision of dairies and of the sale of food.

Letter from the Local Government Board No 15,477 : 1908, dated 21st March 1908, acknowledging receipt of the Return showing the condition of the Poor Rate in the Urban District for the current half year and directing that the Collector's attention should be again drawn to the necessity of closing the collection by the end of the current month.

The Clerk reported that the Collector had closed his collection by the end of March and there was no further order made.

Letter from Local Government Board acknowledging receipt of a copy of the Poor Rate Estimate for the service of

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the ensuing financial year.

No order made

a letter, received from Messrs Thos. Dockrell Sons & Co Ltd., dealing with the advantage of De Laitte Gas, and offering to fix a machine on trial for one month was considered and it was

Ordered That the members of the Council be summoned to attend next meeting to consider the matter.

Mr James Lalor Rosbercon, forwarded copy of a memorial signed by a number of the fishermen asking the Council to re-open the fish market for the sale and purchase of salmon, but the matter was referred back to the Street Committee, Mr Dooley to ascertain if all the fishermen over in his district will avail of it if re opened or if they particularly desire to have it opened.

Letter from D & S. Eastern Rly. dated 31st Ult, stating that the footpath on the Waterford road had been inspected and instructions given to have it raised, should its being lower than the kerbstone cause water to lodge on it, or make the path narrow, and this was considered satisfactory by the meeting.

A letter was also received from them dated 2nd Inst, in reply to one addressed to the Co by the Council, relative to the very dangerous condition of the wooden pailing on the diverted road at Rosbercon, and requesting the Co to have a stone wall erected in its stead.

The Secretary now stated that some few of the timbers

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in the existing fence needed renewal and had been replaced but apart from this the fence has been found to be in good condition and the Directors do not think that any necessity exists for the erection of a stone wall and they are not prepared to erect one at present.

A lengthened discussion took place in reference to this matter during which Mr Dooley drew attention to an action taken by the Co Council against the Railway Co to compel them to carry out similar work in the Co Kilkenny with the result that the Co, rather than let the case go to trial, agreed to carry out the necessary work and pay the cost of the proceedings.

It was now ordered that the Clerk write the Secretary of the Co Council for particulars respecting the matter.

A letter was received from Mrs Galavan Irishtown, complaining of the bad state of repair in which her house was, and the matter was referred to a Committee consisting of Messrs Hill, Roche & Peter Murphy to inspect and report upon this house and that occupied by the late Mrs Cullen Bullaun, possession of which had been given up since last meeting.

Report of Finance Committee

Your Committee met this evening and examined the list of outstanding Town Rate & Poor Rate of the Town Rate we recommend the sum of £120 .. 6 .. 7 be cancelled and £9 .. 11 .. 5 be carried forward of the Poor Rate &c, we recommend the sum of £145 .. 1 .. 0 be cancelled, & 1/9 be carried forward, we recommend the following &cs be paid (see list at commencement of minutes)

Signed

Peter Murphy
David Murphy

The Abstracts of outstanding Poor Rate and Town Rate

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which were before the meeting were examined and the following resolution was

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Mc. Cabe

"That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made, also that the sums of outstanding Town Rate amounting to £120-6-7 be cancelled and £9-11-5 be carried forward and of Poor Rate that sums amounting to £45-1-0 be cancelled and 1/9 be carried forward.

Passed Unanimously

On the proposal of Peter Murphy Seconded by Mr Mc. Cabe ten feet of leather hose, fitted with automatic coupling to fit stand pipe, to be used for filling street watering cart was directed to be ordered from Shand Mason & Co.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 22nd April 1908

Wm G. Williams

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Wednesday 22nd April 1908

A Meeting of the Newross Urban District Comcil was held this day at 4. 30 O'clock P. M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith; to make a Poor Rate for financial Year ending 31st March 1909, Consider, and if approved of adopt estimate of Town Rate for financial Year ending 31st March 1909; Consider Letter from Messrs Thos. Dockrell Sons & Co offering to fix up De Latte Gas plant in School upon a months trial free of charge, and take such action thereon as may be deemed advisable.

Present Messrs William G. Williams Vice-Chairman presiding
David Murphy
Patrick J Delaney
Samuel Hill
Peter Dempsey
John Cockrill
John Dempsey
John O'Sullivan
Dr. Walshe
William McCabe
Patrick Dempsey
and
Joseph Roche

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Hill and Cockrill, and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 20- In favour- Petty Cash £18. 13. 8

The Annual Demand for year ending 31st March 1909, was received from the County Comcil, amount of same being £1742. 16. 3

No Order made

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Letter from the Gas Co stating that they intend Opening the roads outside the house lately occupied by Dr James Hogan for the purpose of renewing supply pipe but there was no Order made upon it.

Letter from Local Government Board dated 13th April 1908 asking for a Return of the names of the several Officers employed by the Urbad District Council, and the Clerk stated that he had already furnished the information.

A circular letter dated 17th March 1908, was received from the Honorary Secretaries of the Parnell Monument Committee, soliciting subscriptions to defray the cost of erecting the Monument, the amount still required being about £3,000, but there was no Order made upon it.

Letter from Dr Robert Quinn South St Newtown dated 13th Inst. asking the Council to have the heap of manure moved by them removed from the wall of his stable at Newtown, as it was pressing in the wall of same, and if it caused it to fall he will hold the Council responsible for Cost of re-building.

The Clerk reported that Dr John Whitty, Canalbu, had the greater portion of it drawn away now, and this was considered satisfactory.

On the proposal of Dr Walsh, seconded by Dr Delaney it was Ordered that no refuse be deposited at that particular place in future.

The original of the Memorial, signed by a number of fishermen, was before the Meeting but it was referred to the Committee who have charge of the Matter, who will meet as soon as they receive certain information respecting the requirements of the fishermen which Dr Dooley is to obtain.

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Letter from Dr James Farrell Bewley Ld. dated 21st Inst. stating that Nothing has yet been done with the entrance to his gate, although it is now over three years since a committee visited the place.
The Clerk stated that the Committee recommended the paving to be repaired, but Dr Farrell wanted a gully entrance to his yard constructed, but this the Council declined to do on the ground that such work should be carried out by Dr Farrell himself. It was now

Ordered

"That the paving of the Channel at the entrance to Dr Farrell's yard be repaired by the Foreman."

An application was received from John Hand for permission to erect a small shed at the rear of his house on the Council's property. He will take same down at any time the Council wd request him to do so.

During the discussion which took place upon the reading of the application, it was pointed out that it might be very difficult for the Council to obtain possession of the site if they allowed a shed to be built upon any portion of the property. It was also mentioned that the shed was required for the purposes of a stable which would be very objectionable to the other tenants. Eventually it was decided not to make any order upon it, the meeting being of opinion that, from a Public Health point of view, it would not be desirable to permit the erection of a shed there, which is to be used as a stable.

"The foreman reported, under date 21st Inst. that he could get Val Whitty to do scarcely any work for him from Monday, 13th to Thursday 16th Inst. He caught him idle several times on those dates. On Friday the 17th he only came to work at 7.10 a.m. and when spoken to, got abusive, took his hammer, and walked away. He requires a man in his place.
Proposed by Dr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Dr Hill

"That William Scanlon and"
"Val Whitty be put at light work suitable for them, and their"
"wages reduced to 6/= each per week"

Passed Unanimously

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The Clerk reported he had been directed to bring under the notice of the Council, about 1st of May, the consideration of the question of dispensing with the temporary men, Power and Tom Scanlon, as there will not be work for them. It was suggested that Power be put on the permanent staff instead of Whitty, whilst another member of the Council mentioned the name of William Shea, and the Foreman, who was present, on being asked for his opinion as to which of the two was the better man, replied that Shea was, and after a short discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Hill and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That William Shea be employed by the Council at the usual weekly wages of 12/=.

Passed.

There was no action taken respecting Power, and Tom Scanlon, beyond directing the Clerk to bring the matter forward at next ordinary meeting of the Council.

The meeting next proceeded to make a Poor Rate for year ending 31st March 1909 and it was

Proposed by ~~Mr Peter~~ Mr Murphy,
Seconded by Mr Hill, and Resolved,

"That we raise"
"the sum of Twelve hundred and Seventy-Seven pounds"
"two Shillings and five pence as, and for Poor Rate,"
"and for the purpose aforesaid make a Poor Rate of"
"three Shilings in the Pound for the financial year"
"ending 31st March 1909, on the property situate within the"
"Urban District of Newbliss pursuant to The Local Government"
"(Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts incorporated therewith,"
"and that same be collected in two moieties; the first on or"
"before the 30th September 1908, and the second on or before"
"the 31st March 1909. That public Notice be given of said rates"
"having been made by printed placards duly posted"

Passed - Mr Roche dissenting

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In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the Rate Books were duly signed and sealed.

The consideration of the Clerk's Estimate Of Town Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1909, and Water Rate for same year, was next taken up and it was
Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan,
Seconded by Mr Hill and Resolved
That the Clerk's Estimate of Town Rate, and Water Rate for year ending 31st March 1909, now before us be adopted, and that he publish the necessary Notice of our intention to make a Town Rate of 4/4 in the £, and a Domestic Water rate of 1/3 in the £ on the Valuation of premises supplied with Water, said last mentioned rate to be in relief of the portion of the Town Rate raised as Sanitary Expenses, the rateable value of the property assessable is £8076.
Passed Unanimously

The consideration of the letter of Thomas Dockrell Esq was adjourned to Meeting of the Council, to be held on Wednesday, 29th inst. to which date it was agreed to adjourn this Meeting for the transaction of Ordinary, as three weeks will elapse between this, and the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council.

Immediately after signing the Minutes of the previous Meeting it was Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and Seconded by Mr Delaney, that the Quarterly Meetings of the Council for year ending 31st March 1909 be held on the second Wednesday in the months of July, October 1908, and January and April 1909.
Passed Unanimously

On the proposal of Mr David Murphy, Seconded by Mr Hill, it was Ordered that advertisements be issued inviting proposals for a supply of limestones for the year, on the same conditions as last

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 29th April 1908

John L Hearn

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Wednesday 29th April 1908

A meeting of the Committee appointed to inspect house occupied by Mrs Galavin, Artisan, and that occupied by the late Mrs Cullen, which was recently surrendered to the Council, was held this day at 3.30 P.M.

Present Messrs Peter Murphy and Joseph Roche

The Committee proceeded to inspect both these houses, and decided to recommend the Council to obtain an Estimate and Specification for putting a New roof on house occupied by Mrs Galavin at Fair Gate, and when same is approved of by the Council, to obtain Tenders for carrying out the works.

Owing to the one lately occupied by Mrs Cullen being in such a bad state of repair, the Committee recommended the Council to dispose of it, if possible, as they consider the expense of putting it in a proper state of repair would be too much.

The Committee adjourned

John L Keane

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Wednesday 29th April 1908

A meeting of the Street Committee was held this day at 4.30 O'clock P.M. to Consider advisability of Opening Fish House for the sale of Salmon, and inspect street gratings, and cement troughs Constructed in Connection with draining of Street Fountains as same are Considered very dangerous to passengers.

Present Cnsrs James G. Dooley
Wm. G. Williams
and John Murphy

Cnsr Wm. G. Williams as Vice Chairman of the Council presided

Cnsr Dooley reported that he interviewed a number of the fishermen and all informed him they will use the Fish House if re-opened, but they also stated that the portion of it where the hutch is weighed will be sufficient. The Clerk stated that Cnsr Hawlor will be quite satisfied with this portion of it if he gets permission to use it for the purchase of salmon. As this particular portion is let to Trip Maher with the weighbridge it was agreed to give Cnsr Hawlor permission to use it provided he arranges with Trip Maher who is already tenant of that room.

The Committee next inspected Fountains at Brennans Lane and directed that John Lough be instructed to make an iron grating to be set over cement trough of trap, and a similar grating to be set over any others which require it, in order to prevent accident to the public, after which, owing to the inclemency of the evg.

The Committee adjourned.

John L Hearn

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Wednesday 29th April 1908

An adjourned meeting of The Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'clock P.M to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider a letter from Messrs Thomas Dockrell Son & Co offering to erect a De Laitte gas plant on a Month's free trial

Present Messrs John S Hearn J.P. Chairman presiding
David Dempsey
Peter Dempsey
William G. Williams
John Cockrill
Patrick J. A Delaney
John Dempsey
Samuel Hill
James O'Hearn
Joseph Roche
John O'Sullivan
and
William McCabe

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Dempsey and Samuel Hill and the following Paying Order issued Viz:- No 21 Petty Cash £8.2.9

Correspondence

Letter from Val Whitty stating that he was not beyond his labour and that it was all spite on the part of the foreman to have reported him for not doing his work.

Ordered

That Val Whitty be informed the Council cannot interfere with the Order made at the last meeting respecting him.

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A tender was received from Mr Maurice Whelan Ryleen for two heaps of Manure Nos. 84 and 85 at 15/- each and it was Ordered to be accepted.

An application was received from Mrs Grace William St for a range to be fixed in house occupied by her, and also glass in Windows.

Ordered

That the consideration of the matter be referred to the street committee.

The Clerk reported that the committee which had been appointed at last Meeting inspected houses occupied by Mrs Galavin Fair Gate and the late Mrs Cullen Dullaun, and recommended that a specification, and estimate for a new roof to be put on the one occupied by Mrs Galavin, and that the other be sold, as they did not consider the expense necessary to put the other in a proper state of repair, should be incurred by the Comcal.

After some discussion it was ordered that the Comcals Solicitors be asked to advise whether the Comcal have power to sell or lease those houses.

The Clerk also reported that the Contract for the maintenence of the New Ross Bridge with the County Comcal will expire on the 30th June and that Tenders will be taken for a further period of five years, at the Meeting of the Comcal to be held on the 5th inst.

Ordered

That the Clerk Tender for the maintenence of the New Ross Bridge for a further period of five years at the full sum allowed, £24 per annum, and that he attend the Meeting of the County Comcal in connection with same.

Mr Patrick Power tendered to build a hose cart according to specification prepared by Mr Thompson Wexford, for the sum of £10.0.0, but the Meeting considered this too much, and ordered that the matter be referred back to the Water Committee, that they make obtain a cheaper one.

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Mr. Peter Murphy inquired if any reply had yet been received from Mrs Drake to the Order of the Council requiring her to place the weighbridge in charge of a competent person, and the Clerk replied that there had not. After some discussion during which it was stated that there had not been any complaints recently, it was Ordered that Mrs Drake be asked to furnish a reply to the letter.

Street Inspector's Reports

The Street Inspector reported that he found the several streets and lanes clean each day. He had the flags which were taken up sometime ago to clean a sewer on the Quay, re-set. There is a hole in the footpath at Dwyer Bros. North St, and one in South St, at entrance to Brennan's Lane, both of which require to be repaired.

Ordered

That the question of repairing them be deferred until later on in the year.

The letter received from Messrs Thomas Dockrell Son & Co, relative to the installation of the De Laite Gas in the School, was next considered, and the following resolution, proposed by Mr J.D. Deane, and seconded by Mr John Murphy unanimously adopted Viz:-

"That Messrs Dockrell be given permission to"
"erect a plant of the De Laite lighting system in the School"
"to supply light used within the building free of all cost"
"to the Urban Council, but that the Council do not bind themselves"
"to purchase the plant however successful the light may prove."

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 13th May 1908.

John D Deane

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Monday 4th May 1908

Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday, 6th May 1908.

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Wednesday 13th May 1908

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
David Murphy
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
John Murphy
Patrick J. Delaney
William McCabe
John O'Sullivan
Wm. G. Williams
Drs and Walsh

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Joseph Roche and Patrick J. Delaney and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz :—

No	22	James Connolly		£ 21 - 11 - 10
"	23	Sec School Attendance Cte		9 - 4 - 5
"	24	N. Harvey & Co	Waterford	3 - 1 - 0
"	25	Patrick Redmond		4 - 6 - 8
"	26	Do		4 - 6 - 8
"	27	M. J. Finn		8 - 6 - 8
"	28	P. J. Morrissey	Kilkenny	10 - 9
"	29	Drs O'Connor		8 - 0 - 0
"	30	John Tobin		12 - 10 - 0
"	31	Drs Hickey		7 - 10 - 0
"	32	M. J. Finn (Petty Cash)		15 - 6 - 6
"	33	John J. Browne		4 - 0 - 6
"	34	Patrick Blake	Dublin	50 - 0 - 0
"	35	Moran Bros	Loans a/c	9 - 19 - 6

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The following Tenders were received for the supply of about 500 tons limestones.

From Jeremiah O'Donovan Waterford, Doyle Bro^s. NewRoss, both of whom tendered at 2/10 per ton, Laurence Mc. Grath Dunkit, who tendered at 2/8½ and James Phelan Milltown, Kilmacow, Co Kilkenny, who tendered at 2/8.

Proposed by Mr Williams and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy

"That Mr Phelan's tender for the supply of about 500 tons of limestones delivered on the Quay, NewRoss, @ 2/8 per ton be accepted".

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Council's Solicitors be directed to prepare a Bond for the carrying out of the Contract and have it perfected as soon as possible after which the Clerk is to forward an official order for the supply of the stones.

The Clerk reported that the tender of the Council for keeping the NewRoss Bridge in repair for five years from 30th June 1908 @ £27 per annum, was accepted at meeting of Co Council held on 11th Inst.

Letter from Local Government Board No 63,410 : 1907, dated 11th May 1908, inquiring what action had been taken by the Council respecting the appointment of a Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the Local Government Board be informed the matter is receiving the earnest attention of the Council, but nothing definite has yet been done.

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A proposal was received from Mr Philip Kelly Bamblin, for one heap of manure @ 11/6, and it was ordered that the proposal be accepted for the small heap in the yard but if he requires the large one the price will be 25/=.

A certificate was received from Dr. Hickey that Wm. Scanlon is suffering from Rheumatism and is not in a fit state to work at present.

Ordered

That Wm. Scanlon be paid his wages for the present.

Letter from Thos. Dockrell Son & Co Ltd., Dublin. acknowledging receipt of the Council's resolution relative to the installation of the De Laitte Gas in the Tholsel, stating that they are prepared to erect the gas machine and light the Tholsel free for a month and if at the end of that time it is satisfactory they will charge it to the account of the Council. They could not be ~~accepted~~ expected to fix the machine, and take it back if it worked satisfactory.

Ordered

That Messrs Dockrell be informed the Council cannot depart from the terms of the resolution passed at their last meeting, copy of which has been already forwarded to them.

The Commissioner of Valuation forwarded First appeal Lists but there was no order made upon them.

A letter was received from Mr Quinn South St,

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dated 4th Inst, inquiring if the Council will let the plot of ground in French's Court owned by them, but the matter was referred to the Street Committee, who are to inspect the plot in company with Mr Quinn and ascertain exactly what he requires.

An invitation was received from the Hon Secretaries of the Enniscorthy '98 Committee to the Council to attend the unveiling ceremony on Sunday 31st Inst, but there was nothing definite done in reference to the appointment of delegates.

An application was received from Mr George Moran for the renewal of the registrations of his gunpowder store situate at Maiden Lane, and of his premises at North St, for the sale of ammunition and mixed explosives and it was granted on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy Seconded by Mr Roche, as was also an application from Messrs M. Hearon & Son for the renewal of the registration of premises at South St, for the sale of mixed explosives.

A Paying Order for £13-10-0, received from the County Council for Bridge maintenence, was ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Urban Council.

The following resolution, received from Revd M. Murphy C.C. Ferns, Hon Secretary, to the County Committee of the Gaelic League, was on the proposal of Mr David Murphy, Seconded by Mr Williams, Unanimously adopted Viz:- "Considering that a new University is about to be established in Ireland, We, The Co Committee of the Wexford Gaelic League, demand for the National Language, a due recognition in the curriculum".

A letter was received from Miss Maher, dated 13th Inst, in which she stated that she considered the person in charge

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of the public weighbridge, fully competent to discharge the duties of the position.

after some discussion it was decided to adjourn this letter for future consideration.

An application was received from Mr Thomas Dunne William St, to have the shutes of his house cleaned but the meeting was of opinion that the work was not sufficiently laborious to preclude the possibility of Mr Dunne been able to perform the necessary work himself.

An application was received from Mr Connolly for permission to erect a scaffold at house of Miss Molloy Quay, and it was granted.

Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met this day and recommended payment of the following (see list at commencement of minutes).

Signed

Peter Murphy
John S. Hearn

Proposed by John Murphy and
Seconded by Joseph Roche

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made, and that tenants who have not already entered into Bonds, be required to do so at once.

Passed Unanimously

a list of tenants owing over weeks rent, and of persons

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who have not paid for water connections, received from the Collector was submitted to the meeting but not considered for the present.

The following letters referring to the erection of a Technical School in NewRoss, were read :-

Technical Instruction Committee,
NewRoss, 13th May 1908.

Dear Sir,

I understand Colonel Tottenham through his agent (Mr Hugh R. Hamilton) has offered your Council a site for a Technical School on a portion of his property abutting on Mary St, and Church Lane, 50 ft., by 80 ft., frontages, respectively, on a lease of 35 years at an annual rent of £3 - 8 - 0.

I think it well to state exactly the Committee's position in the matter. About a fortnight since, Mr Hamilton made an offer to my Committee of a site, same dimensions, about mid-way in the same building ground at a rent of £3 - 15 - 0, length of lease blank. I brought this offer before a special meeting of the Committee on the 29th Ult, when the following order was made :-

"That the consideration of the matter be referred to the Chairman, Mr Cullen and the Sec., with full powers to come to an agreement with the landlord, and for that purpose that they wait upon the landlord's agent (Mr Hugh R. Hamilton, J.P.), try to secure the site at a nominal rent, fix upon the length of lease, safeguard the lighting rights of the Committee, and have a special clause in the agreement to enable the Committee and the Urban Council to sell or otherwise dispose of the Technical School building in case of the breakdown of Technical Instruction in NewRoss or from any other cause".

On the 5th Inst, the Chairman, Mr Cullen and myself

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waited on Mr Hamilton when it was agreed that in order to obviate any lighting difficulty the site be shifted up so as to fit in with the corner of the building ground.

The general result of the deputation's visit to Mr Hamilton you have in the communication he has sent you, but I may add for your information that Mr Hamilton informed me to-day that Col Tottenham is not prepared at present to agree to the Committee's sale clause above referred to being inserted in the lease.

The Department appear to favour the erection of an iron building somewhat similar to the Wicklow school, tracing of plan and elevation of which has been sent you. As a matter of purely personal opinion, Mr Hamilton thinks it a pity that whereas an iron building must be raised on concrete walls to street level that the walls would not be continued in concrete for the required height, 10 feet or thereabouts, and that the building be a concrete and slated one instead of iron. Sufficient stone for rubble, he says, could be had upon the spot, and while the building would be much superior the extra cost would not be £ so much. I also gathered from Mr Hamilton that in the event of the more substantial building being decided upon the landlord would probably improve upon the period named in the leasehold offer.

Though the matter of the proposed School did not come before a meeting of my Committee on the 11th Inst., the members present casually expressed the opinion that I should write pressing your Council to undertake the necessary building Loan without delay and to do whatever they consider best as regards site, terms, and character of School, in order, if possible, that the school may be erected in time for

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next Session's work, it being the unanimous feeling that technical instruction cannot prosper under present conditions. The Committee will, of course, assist the Council in every way.

I must refer your Council to my letter of the 8th August, 1906, in which I first applied to your Council to move in the matter. This communication contains the offer made by the Department of A. & I. I. for the repayment of the Loan. It is an offer from year to year, but according to the repeated statements of the Department's Inspector the annual offer of £50 made by the Department to the Committee for the last three years is now to the credit of the Committee and will be continued annually until the debt is cleared. However, on that point, the Council might, if they thought well, obtain an assurance direct from the Department.

Yours faithfully,
Edward Long.
Secretary.

M. J. Finn Esq.

Estate Office.
New Ross, 8th May 1908.

Dear Sir,

Colonel Tottenham will lease to your Council a plot of ground at the corner of Mary St and Church Lane. Frontages of 50 ft, and 80 ft, respectively. For the purpose of erecting a Technical School. Building to be of galvanized iron on concrete or stone foundation. Lease to be for 36 years from 29th September next at £3 . 8 . 0 a year rent.

Plans of proposed building to be submitted for approval before erection.

I enclose proposal form for your Councils approval.

Yours faithfully,
Hugh R. Hamilton.

The Clerk,
Urban District Council.

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Proposal for a Lease

The Urban D. Council of Newross in the County of Wexford propose to take from you the plot of ground situated at corner of Mary St and Church Lane Newross. (see sketch on back).

First – The tenancy to be for 35 years, commencing from the 29th day of September 1908.

Second – The rent to be at the rate of £3 . 8 . 0 per year, payable every 25th March and 29th Sept, first payment to be made on 25th day of March next.

Third – We will pay all rates and taxes, including any additional rates that may be made in the future, except Quit Rent and Landlord's proportion of Income Tax.

Fourth – We undertake to keep the premises in repair, and to expend the sum of £ within the first year of my tenancy, to the satisfaction of yourself or your agent.

Fifth – I agree to insure the Premises against Fire for the sum of £ in our joint names, in the London Assurance Co, the County Fire office, or such other Company as you may approve of.

Sixth – a Technical School to be erected on site and to be used for that purpose exclusively.

day of 1908.

To Colonel C. G. Tottenham D. L.

A Sketch of the plot of ground to be leased is shown on the proposed Form.

Ordered – That the consideration of these letters be adjourned to next meeting, the members to be summoned to consider them.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 27th May 1908.

John O'Keeffe

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Wednesday 27th May 1908

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider a letter from Col Tottenham's agent (Hugh R. Hamilton Esq J.P.) offering to lease a plot of ground at Mary St, for the purpose of erecting a Technical School.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Patrick Durphy
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
Dr. Walsh
Patrick J. Delaney
Joseph Roche
John O'Sullivan
David Murphy
James B. Hearn
John Murphy
John Lockrill
William and Mc. Labe

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Joseph Roche and John Lockrill, and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 36 M. J. Finn Petty Cash £ 15 - 19 - 9

Correspondence

An application was received from Wm. Jones Western Road, Cork, & asking for the use of the Fish House, on every Friday, for the purpose of buying butter.

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Ordered

That the Council regret very much they cannot comply with his request.

South Gt Georges St,
Dublin, May 16th 1908.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your esteemed favour re De Laitte Gas Plant we regret your Council cannot see their way to accept the terms of our conditions. These are the the conditions laid down by Messrs De Laitte and we consider them very reasonable and liberal.

If you could not procure yard for Store Tank it would not be possible nor practical.

We shall be pleased to give an Estimate to any of the Council who have business houses in the town.

Awaiting your reply.

Yours truly,
Thos. Dockrell Sons & Co Ltd.

M. J. Finn Esq.

No Order made

A letter was received from the Local Government Board, No 27367 : 1908, dated 18th May 1908, acknowledging receipt of letter of 14th Inst.

No order made

A letter was also received from the Hon Secretary of the Reis Committee, asking permission to open up streets for the purpose of erecting poles &c on 5th and 6th prox.

Ordered

That the necessary permission be granted.

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A letter was received from Feis Industrial Exhibition, applying for the loan of stand pipe & hose and old maces and charters for the coming Exhibition.

Ordered

That the Industrial Exhibition Committee be given a loan of the Maces and Charters, on giving an undertaking that they will be safely returned, and on condition that they be kept in a glass case, locked.

Mary Street
26th May 1908

Dear Sir

At a special meeting of our Committee held on Tuesday evening, May 26th, the following resolution was adopted and copies of it ordered to be sent to the various public bodies of the town Viz:- "learning with pleasure that His Grace "
"Dr Kelly, Coadjutor Archbishop of Sydney, will in the "
"course of a week or two, pay a visit to his native town. "
"We the Members of Committee acting on behalf of "
"the Catholic Workingmen's Club most respectfully "
"ask the Urban Council, public bodies, and other "
"associations of the town and District to take action in "
"the matter of presenting an address of welcome "
"to His Grace on his arrival in Kells and we "
"will give all the assistance in our power to make "
"the presentation a success

Yours faithfully
Joseph Brewer
Hon Sec
Working Mens Club.

Proposed by Dr Peter Dunphy and
Seconded by Dr John Dunphy

That the Clerk draw up an address on behalf of the Council and any other public bodies who may join in the presentation

Passed Unanimously

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The Clerk reported that the Contractor was in town since last Meeting and stated that the erection of the water Fountain at Michael st will be attended to at once

It was also ordered that the Contractor supply half a dozen Stop Cock Cover keys.

Omission

Proposed by Mr Mc Cabe and Seconded by Mr Delaney:-

"That a hose cart"
"be purchased from"
"Mr Patrick Power"
"for the sum of £6-10-0"
"as arranged with"
"him by the water"
"Committee, and"
"that one half dozen"
"stop cock keys be"
"ordered from the"
"Contractor"

Passed Unanimously

The Street Inspector reported that he formed the several Streets and lanes clean; there are some dangerous holes in the footpaths in Mary St. he had one of them repaired in accordance with the instructions of the Clerk. He formed Mr Cashan's new pavement out Maunke in Cook's Lane.

No Order Made

The Notice of Motion, served at previous Meeting by Mr Peter Murphy Jnr reference to the erection of Fountains at Bridstown, and High Rd, was considered and on his suggestion it was decided to adjourn the matter to next Meeting, the Members of the Council to ascertain in the meantime if Fountains are required in any other positions so that all can be considered at the same time.

The proposal of Colonel Tottenham D.L. to lease a plot of ground adjoining Mary St and Church Lane, for the purpose of a site for a Technical School; the particulars of which are entered on the minute of the last, was also considered and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr John Murphy it was agreed that the Committee appointed by the Technical Instruction Committee with Mr Hugh Hamilton J.P. and ascertain if he will lease the plot of ground for 99 years, and permit the building to be used for any purpose during the continuance of the lease, in the event of of Technical Instruction being discontinued in New Ross.
It was also agreed to adjourn this Meeting to Wednesday next so that the matter may be further considered.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 3rd June 1908

Samuel Hall

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Wednesday 3rd. June 1908

An adjourned meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 7.30 Oblock P.M. to transact business in connection with the building of a Technical School

Present Messrs Samuel Hill
John Cockriel
and Joseph Roche

A Quorum not having assembled at 8.5 Oblock,

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 10th. June 1908.

Samuel Hill

Wednesday 3rd. June 1908

A Special Meeting, called in pursuance of a requisition signed by five Members of the Council, was to be held this day at 7.45 Oblock P.M. for the purpose of making a Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate for Year ending 31st. March 1909

Present Messrs Samuel Hill
John Cockriel
and Joseph Roche

A Quorum not having assembled the Meeting was not held.

Samuel Hill

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Monday 1st June 1908

Monthly meeting day. No attendance of members.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 10th June.

Samuel Field

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Wednesday 10th June 1908

A meeting of The Newbliss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock, P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith, also a further letter from Colonel Tottenham's Agent relative to leasing of the Site in Main St for a Technical School:-

Present Messrs Samuel Hill, presiding.
Peter Murphy
Patrick J. A. Delaney
William Mc Cabe
Joseph Roche
Dr Walsh
John Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
John O'Sullivan

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman

No 37	—	Treasurer Co Council	£310-14-0
" 38	—	John Tobin	3-2-6
" 39	—	Thomas Martin	17-11
" 40	—	Dr J Finn, one months Salary	8-6-8
" 41	—	same Petty Cash	17-5-11
" 42	—	D F Dean	6-0
" 43	—	Dr J Finn Election Expenses	6-14-8
" 44	—	James Barron Premium on Ele Policy	1-7-9
" 45	—	John J Brown	2-18-9
" 46	—	Patrick Blake	46-19-11

Letter from Local Government Board No 27,367:1908. dated 2nd June 1908 asking what action has been taken by the Council in regards to the appointment of a Town Surveyor.

It was agreed to summon the members to Special Meeting of the Council to consider the matter, and it was Ordered, that the

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Local Government Board be informed that no definite action has been taken in the matter up to the present, but the members of the Council are to be summoned to next Meeting to consider it.

The Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks notified the Council, under date 30th Ult., that a sum of £13-1-2, being the proportion of surplus moneys arising from the Sale of Dog Licenses had been paid over to their Treasurer.

No Order made

The Chief Inspector of Factories notified that Mr E. F. May is now the Inspector of Factories for the Dublin District in the room of Mr Jackson transferred.

He also notified that the Good Shepherd Sisters Newross had become occupiers of a workshop (laundry)

No Order made

Letter from Mrs Galavan Irishtown (9th Inst.) Complaining of the bad condition of her house, which is both dangerous, and unsanitary, and threatening to place the matter in the hands of her solicitor if the Council, who are the landlords of it, do not take steps to put it in a proper state of repair.

After some discussion it was — Proposed by:— Mr Peter Murphy and Seconded by Mr Dunphy "That a" "Committee consisting of Dr. Welsh, Messrs Hill, and John" "Murphy, be appointed to inspect the house, and that" "they do obtain the advice of Mr James Connolly, who" "is to accompany them on their inspection, and also" "a report and estimate of the cost of carrying out whatever" "repairs the Committee consider necessary on the house, same to be" "submitted to Next Meeting of the Council"

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from Messrs Colfer & Gethin enclosing Agreement between Mr James Phelan and the Council for the supply of limestones which has been executed by him, and also the Bond of himself and his sureties attached to same document which has been executed by them, and informing the Council that the Agreement should be executed by them in the same way as they execute deeds. Accordingly it was

Proposed by Mr Mc Cabe and
Seconded by Dr Walsh "That the agreement between Mr James Phelan and the Council be signed by the Chairman and two members of the Council, and sealed and countersigned by the Clerk.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the Agreement was duly Signed and Sealed.

The following was read:- Miltown Kilmacow June 7th 1908

To the Presiding Chairman
New Ross Urban Council

Dear Sir,

In reply to a letter from the Clerk of your Council dated 4th June complaining of the quality of the limestones supplied by me I beg to say I visited New Ross on Friday June 5th, and got the opinion of Mr A Cullen whom I was told is the best authority in New Ross. Mr Cullen saw the stones, and told me in the presence of Mr Firm, that the stones were first rate material, and most suitable for metalling for the streets. Mr Cullen also said that the stones supplied by me are not black limestones as stated by Mr Firm in his letter to me. I may state that I have been for years supplying the Waterford Corporation with the same identical stones and never had one complaint.

Yours truly
James Phelan

The Clerk stated that he drew Mr Phelan's attention to the fact that the stones he was supplying were black limestones, and that under the terms of his agreement he was bound to supply the best limestones suitable for roads

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Retalling. He also reminded the Council that before advertisements were issued for the limestones they decided not to use black limestones.

A lengthened discussion took place respecting the matter from which it appeared the majority of the members were of opinion from the examination of Dr Allen that the stones were all right and suitable for Retalling, and it was Ordered

"That Dr Phelan be informed the Council are satisfied"
"from the report of Dr Allen that the stones are all"
"right, and suitable for road Retalling."

The Clerk also reported that on Saturday 30th May, he had two load of bark re-weighed on the public weighbridge and found that the gross weight of each was about 1½ Cwt less than the gross weight entered in the weighbridge ticket book by the person in charge of the machine. He had the second load checked at the new weighing machine of Dr Kelly Leo, and the weight was exactly the same as that ascertained by him to be the correct weight, according to the weighbridge of the Comrad. After a short discussion it was

Proposed by Dr Walsh and
Seconded by Dr Peter Dempsey

That we take up possession of the scales as soon as possible, and that the members be summoned to attend Next Meeting to Consider what arrangements shall be made for its management after possession of it is obtained.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That the Council's Solicitors be directed to take up possession of it, on behalf of the Council, as soon as possible.

The Street Inspector reported that on each day he found the several streets and lanes clean. A person selling Vegetables from a cart at East side of Quay, close to Bank of Ireland, refused to go to the West side when told to do so, this person persists in remaining there during market hours, and if she is not prosecuted all the other Sellers of Vegetables

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State they will also come over to that side.

Dr James Connolly took up about three yards of bricked water table at Stable Lane, and about the same of paved kerb many of, about six weeks ago and it has not been replaced yet.

The paving and kerbing taken up at Lady Lane for the purpose of clearing the main sewer there requires to be re-laid.

Stable Lane and Barrack Lane requires some filling.

Ordered

That the Clerk inform the person who is selling vegetables on Quay at East side, that she will be prosecuted if she persists in offering them for sale there.

That Dr Connolly be requested to have the paving removed by him, re-set.

That the Foreman re-set the paving and kerbing taken up at Lady Lane, and put some metalling on Barrack Lane and Stable Lane.

The Finance committee reported as follows:-

We recommend payment of the following accounts (see list at commencement of minutes). We notice that a number of tenants are considerably over four weeks rent. We recommend that the Clerk be directed to request immediate payment of these arrears and that he report, at next meeting the names of the tenants who have paid in the meantime, and also the amounts paid by each. In some two or three cases no security has yet been given for the payment of rents. In those cases we recommend that they be again directed to enter into bonds forthwith

Proposed by Dr. Walsh and
Seconded by Dr Dunphy

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted, and the payments recommended by them made

Passed - Dr Roche dissenting to payment of Co Council demand.

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The meeting next took up the consideration of a site for the new Technical School and the following letter was read Viz:-

Estate Office

New Ross 3rd June 1908

Tottenham Estate

Dear Sir

"In reply to yours of 29th ultimo, Colonel Tottenham will grant the site in Quay St on ninety-nine years building lease, provided a permanent brick or stone building is erected, rent 1/3 per foot frontage, but in the event of the building being used for other purposes than a Technical School, a penal rent of 1/6 per foot to be payable for remainder of term.

Yours faithfully

Hugh R. Hamilton

The Clerk

Urban District Council

New Ross

A letter was also read from the Secretary of the Technical Committee reporting the result of an interview which a deputation of the Committee had with Colonel Tottenham in reference to the matter, the result of which is that the Colonel agreed to the terms mentioned in the letter of Mr Hamilton. The Secretary also suggested that the Council pass an Order directing the Technical Committee to provide, for the information of the Council, a specification and Estimate of the proposed building and on the proposal of Dr Walsh, seconded by Mr Peter Murphy it was Ordered that the Technical Instruction Committee be requested to submit, for the information of the Coun'l, a specification and estimate of the proposed Technical School.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 24th June 1908.

John L'Estrange

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Thursday June 11th. 1908

A Meeting of the committee appointed to inspect Mrs Galavin's house was held this day at 11 O'clock a.m.

Present Messrs Joseph Roche
John Murphy
Dr. Welsh

Dr James Connolly was also present.

The Committee, accompanied by Dr Connolly, proceeded to inspect the house, and having done so directed Dr Connolly to send in an Estimate of the cost of putting a new roof upon it, new windows, and portion of new wall. They also asked him to submit an alternative estimate for re-building the portion of the walls adjoining house, and fronting on Irishtown, and roofing same.

The Clerk stated that Thomas Scanlon would not undertake the limewashing of Shambles, Fishhouse, &c at a less rate than 3/= per day, and as he has been entrusted with all dis-infecting, the committee thought it better to allow him 3/= per day, and made an Order accordingly, after which

The Meeting Adjourned.

D. Williams

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Wednesday 24th June 1908

A meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'clock to transact business pursuant to The Town Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854; to make a Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate for Year ending 31st March 1909, consider advisability of erecting three additional Fountains, and arrange for working of Public Weighbridge when possession is taken up.

Present Messrs John L. Stearn J.P. presiding.
Joseph Roche
Peter Murphy
David Murphy
Samuel Hill
William McCabe
William G. Williams
John Cockrill
John Murphy
Dr Walsh
and
Patrick J. A. Delaney

The Treasurer's Authority for making Payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Hill and Cockrill and the following Paying Order issued Viz:-
No 47- Petty Cash £20-12-8

A tender was received from Edward Lyng of Carrenroe for one heap of manure at 12/-, and it was ordered to be accepted. An offer of 9/- per heap for two heaps, made by John Hendrick Butterbridge, was refused, as the Meeting considered the price too low; but the Clerk was authorised to dispose of them to him at 12/- per heap if he was prepared to give that price for them.

Letter from the Gas Co informing the Council that they intend to open the ground outside National Bank, and in Mary St for the purpose of laying supply pipes, but there was no order made.

Messrs Colfer Wethin, Solicitors, Notified the withdrawal of Appeals against Valuations, lodged by them on behalf of Messrs John Doyle and Philip A Jeffares, and

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the Clerk reported that he forwarded copy of Notice of withdrawal to the Commissioner of Valuation, which he duly acknowledged.
No Order Made.

Letter from same, dated 11th June, acknowledging receipt of the Council's order in reference to the weighing machine, and Offices held by Rip Maher, and asking for particulars of the tenancy.
Ordered
That the Clerk furnish the necessary particulars.

Letter from R J Frizelle Esq Returning Officer forwarding Statement of the expenses of the election of County Councillor, and of his own account as Returning Officer which refers to the whole County, and asking if the Council had any objection to any of the items now submitted.
The former was approved of but there was no order made respecting the latter.

The list of valuations of tenements requiring revision, as also the list of alteration in name of occupiers, received from the Collector, was submitted to the meeting, but there was no Order made upon it, the members deciding to leave the matter in the hands of the Commissioner of Valuation.

The Clerk reported that the foreman informed him the temporary man might be dispensed with for the present, and it was Ordered that John Power get a week's notice that he will not be required.

The consideration of the appointment of a Town Surveyor was adjourned to next Meeting.

The rent collector, Mr Browne, reported that he called on Mrs Galavin for rent due to 25th March, and she refused to pay until her house is put in a proper state of repair, and Dr Hickey declines also to pay 19/3, due by him out of yard in William St, but instead claims compensation for improvements. There was no order made

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respecting Dors Galavin pending the receipt of Dr Connolly's estimate for repairs of house; and the Clerk was directed to write to Dr Hickey, and inform him the Comcil regret they cannot allow him any Compensation, and ask him to pay the Amount of rent due.

Dr Peter Murphy gave notice that he would move at next meeting, that the Comcil build a Technical School in the Urban District.

The Meeting proceeded to make a Town Rate for year ending 31st March 1909 and it was-

Proposed by Dr Murphy

Seconded by Dr Wm. G. Williams and Resolved

"That we raise the sum of"
"One thousand, seven hundred and fifty four pounds, six shillings"
"and seven pence, as and for Town Rate, and for that purpose"
"we hereby make a Town Rate of four shillings and four pence"
"in the £ for the financial year commencing on the first day"
"of April 1908, and ending on the 31st day of March 1909, on the"
"property situate in the Urban District of Arklow rateable under"
"the undermentioned Acts for the purposes therein mentioned,"
"of which Town Rate of 4/4 in the £, the sum of 1/-, is for general"
"purposes under The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854,"
"and the sum of 1/3 in the £ is for Special purposes under"
"The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and the sum"
"of 9/1 in the £ is for Sanitary purposes under the provisions"
"of The Public Health (Ireland) Acts, which Sanitary rate"
"includes one penny in the £ for the purpose of Technical"
"Instruction, under the provisions of the Agriculture and"
"Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act 1899, and we"
"hereby make a Domestic Water Rate under the provisions"
"of the Public Health (Ireland) Acts of 1/3 in the £, on the valuation"
"of the premises supplied with water, for the Financial Year"
"Commencing the first day of April 1908 and ending on the 31st day of"
"March 1909, and we hereby fix that said rates shall be payable on the"
"25th day of July 1908."

Passed- Mr Roche dissenting.

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Proposed by Dr John Murphy
Seconded by Mr Hill and Resolved

"That the Presiding Chairman and five other Members of the Council sign the Town Rate Books, and the resolution making the Town Rate, and the adoption of the Town Rate endorsed thereon, and affix the Common Seal of the Council to said Rate Books, and endorsement; and that the Collector's warrant endorsed on said Rate Books be signed by the presiding Chairman, and five Members of the Council present, and Countersigned by the Clerk, and sealed with the Common Seal of the Council.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolutions the Town Rate Books were duly signed and sealed.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 8th July 1908.

Wednesday July 8th 1908

A Quarterly, and ordinary, meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 7 and 7.30 O'clock P. M. respectively, but in consequence of the presentation of an address, in the Town Hall at 8 O'clock P M, to His grace the Most Revd Dr Kelly, Coadjutor Archbishop of Sydney, who arrived in town by the 7.32 P.M train, there was no attendance of Members, and

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday, 9th July 1908

Wm Williams

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Thursday, 9th July 1908.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts Connected therewith.

Present Messrs Wm. G Williams Vice-Chairman presiding
Patrick J Delaney
John Murphy
John Cockrill
Peter Murphy
William McCabe
Samuel Kidd
David Murphy
Dr Walsh
and
Joseph Roche

As there was no Quarterly business to be transacted the Meeting Adjourned.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 14th October 1908.

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Thursday, 9th July 1908.

An adjourned meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7. 30 Oblock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and Notice of Motion by Mr Peter Murphy:- "That the Council build a Technical School in the Urban District"

Present Messrs William. G. Williams Vice-Chairman, presiding
Patrick J Delaney
Peter Murphy
John Cockhill
William Mc Cabe
Samuel Hill
John Murphy
David Murphy
Dr Walsh
and Joseph Roche

The Minutes of previous meeting, and adjourned meeting, were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making Payments to-day signed by The Chairman, and Messrs Patrick J Delaney and John Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued. Viz:-

No 48	—	M.A. Jeffares	£2.3.6
" 49	—	Hugh K. Hamilton	5.18.6
" 50	—	M Flynn	1.18.0
" 51	—	W. G. Whitney	9.9
" 52	—	John J Browne	2.19.6
" 53	—	M J Finn	6.5.0
" 54	—	Same	8.6.8
" 55	—	Petty Cash	23.1.0

Letter from Master of Workhouse, dated 7th Inst. informing the Council that he had dis-continued taking water, for the use of Workhouse, from the public Fountains, even before he had been notified to do so.

No Order made.

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Letter from Mrs Quigley, William Street, calling attention to the condition of her house, due to a leaking Shute, and asking to have the house limewashed.

Ordered

That the house be limewashed by Tom Scanlon, as soon as possible.

Letter from Local Government Board No 32,968: 1908 July 6th '08, inquiring what action has been taken by the Council respecting the appointment of a Town Surveyor.

Ordered

That the matter be referred to the Finance Committee, who are to define the duties to be discharged by the person who may be appointed, and the Salary to be paid and report upon same to next meeting of the Council

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Letters from Commissioner of Valuation acknowledging receipt of list of tenements requiring revision in the Urban District, and also forwarding List of Cases furnished direct to him, and requesting that, should the Council consider such revision necessary, the cases are to be included in the lists to be forwarded, in accordance with the provisions of the Valuation Acts.

No Order made, the meeting being desirous of leaving the matter in the hands of the Commissioner of Valuation.

Letter from Local Government Board dated 9th June 1908 asking for particulars required in Connection with the preparation of the Annual Returns of Local Taxation in Ireland

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish the necessary particulars.

The Clerk submitted a number of bills for payment, list of which appears at commencement of Minutes, and on the proposal of Dr. Walsh seconded by Mr Hill, they were ordered to be paid.

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An application for permission to open the ground in Sugar Hollane, for the purpose of connecting premises of Mr Kelly Vico with Main Sewer, was received from Mr Charles Green and it was Ordered that the Necessary permission be granted.

The Notice of Motion, relative to the building of a Technical School, handed in by Mr Peter Murphy at last Meeting, was next considered, and the letter of Colonel Totteham, through his agent Mr Hamilton, of 2nd June 1908 which Contain the terms, and which are already entered on the Minutes, having been again read it was

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Roche

"That the terms of Colonel Totteham"
"for site for a New Technical School be accepted, and a"
"School be built.

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 22nd July 1908.

Patrick Lamb

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Friday July 17th 1908.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held this day at 5 O'Clock P.M. to arrange for the appointment of a Town Surveyor, define his duties, and fix Salary, for recommendation to the Council.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P.
and
David Murphy

The committee proceeded to draft the duties, (copy of which is to be submitted to next meeting of Council, and if approved of, is to be entered on the minutes of that meeting) of the person who may be appointed to the position of Town Surveyor, and having done so, decided to recommend that he paid a Salary of £65 per year, with a commission of 4% on any work over £200, carried out by the Council, the Plans of which have been prepared by him.

The person who may be appointed must reside in Dewsbury, and devote his whole time to the duties of the office.

The committee adjourned.

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Wednesday July 22nd 1908.

A meeting of the Rawdon Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith; Consider recommendation of Finance Committee as to Salary and duties of Town Surveyor.

Present Messrs Patrick Dunphy presiding
Patrick Delaney
Peter Dunphy
John Dunphy
William McCabe
Patrick Dunphy
Joseph Roche
Samuel Hill
and
Denis Dunphy

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and Signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Joseph Roche and Samuel Hill and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 56- Petty Cash £23-3-4

A circular letter was received from the Commissioner of Valuation acknowledging receipt of the lists of tenements requiring revision in the Urban District transmitted to the Office, and a second one asking if any supplemental ones had been received.

Ordered

That the Clerk attend to these letters.

A quotation was received from Messrs Kelly's Limited of 38/9 for three reams of large Quarto headings, two reams of half cap headings, same as paper, Sample of which they enclosed, and it was Ordered that the paper be ordered from Messrs Kelly's Ltd at the price quoted.

A series of resolutions were received from the Society for the Preservation of the Irish Language, respecting the position of the Language in the proposed

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University and asking, amongst other things, that from the outset, Irish language, literature, and history should be essential subjects for the students.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy. "That these resolutions be adopted"

Passed Unanimously

A Paying Order for £. 3. 0. 3 was received from the Board of Works, being cost conveying water to footpath for Post Office authorities, and it was Ordered to be lodged to Credit of Comrail.

The question of the appointment of a Town Surveyor was next taken up, and the recommendations of the Finance Committee respecting his duties and Salary fully considered (see file for list of duties). and this book folio 675

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That his duties as drafted by the Finance Committee be approved of and adopted

Passed Unanimously

Mr Hill proposed that the Salary be £52 per annum, without any commission, and it was seconded by Mr Dunphy.
A further resolution, proposed by Mr Delaney, and seconded by Mr David Murphy, Viz:- "That the consideration of the matter be adjourned to next meeting of the Comcil" was unanimously passed after which —

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 5th August 1908.

John L Hearn

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Newbliss Wednesday August 5th 1908

A meeting of The Newbliss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other acts connected therewith, and make arrangements for the appointment of a Town Surveyor.

Present Messrs John Sheam J.P Chairman presiding
William G. Williams
Peter Murphy
Samuel Hill
Patrick J.A Delaney
John Cockrill
John Murphy
Joseph Roche
and
David Murphy

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Hill and John Murphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:- Petty Cash £19-8-6

An application was received from Mrs M J Moran for permission to erect a scaffold and barricade at the lower end of Maiden Lane for a few days and it was

Ordered That the necessary permission be granted

An invitation was received from the Secretary of the all Ireland Industrial Conference to have the Council appoint delegates to attend the Conference to be held in Galway on the 16th and 17th September next, and Messrs Delaney and Roche were unanimously appointed.

A resolution, received from the Lorey Rural District Council approving of the provisions of the Patent and Designs Amendment Act 1907 was approved of, and referred to the Finance Committee.

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Kells, Wednesday August 5th 1908 (Minutes Cont'd)

A letter was received from the Local Government Board dated 31st July 1908, No 41,059/1908 asking to be furnished with a list of the duties prescribed by the Council to be performed by the person who may be appointed as Town Surveyor.

The Clerk stated that he had furnished the list as requested by the Board and there was no further Order made.

Letter from Colfer & Gethin dated 31st July 1908 enclosing form of Demand Note, Receipt and Block for the Current Town Rate and Domestic Water Rate.

No Order Made

A copy of a regulation made by The Lord Lieutenant under Section 7 of The Shop Hours Act 1904 was received for consideration, but as the Act is not in operation in the Urban District there was No Order made upon it.

An application was received from Edward Murphy for the tenancy of a house on Bullawn formerly occupied by his father now deceased, and he offered Robert Quinn of South Street as surety, and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by Mr Hill it was accepted.

A letter was received from Mrs Grace William Street complaining of the range in her house which is in a very bad state of repair. It requires a new Top and bottom.

Ordered

That Mr Hutchinson be asked to supply a new Top and bottom for range, and that Mr Freeman put in panes of glass.

The Clerk reported that he had written to Messrs John Hand and Andrew Rochford requiring them to enter into bonds for the regular payment of their rent, as previously Ordered by the Council on two occasions but had not received a reply from them. It was now

Ordered

That the Council's Solicitors be instructed to take up possession of the

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houses occupied by them if they do not enter into Bonds at once.

Ordered

That the Water Inspector inspect all the street crossings and report to the Council whether any of the setts were removed by the Contractor and not replaced.

It having been stated by the Chairman that it was rumoured New Ross Post Office was about being reduced to the status of a sub office to Waterford, the following resolution, proposed by him, and seconded by Mr Peter Murphy, was unanimously passed Viz:-

"That we, the New Ross Urban District Council in"
"meeting assembled are very much surprised to"
"hear a rumour that New Ross Post Office is"
"to be made a sub Office to Waterford. This Council"
"strongly condemn this action and calls upon"
"The Postmaster General not to Sanction same."
"That Copies of this resolution be sent to the"
"Postmaster General, Secretary General Post Office,"
"The Chief Secretary for Ireland, J. E. Redmond Esq M.P."
"Peter Murphy Esq M.P. Sir Thomas Grattan Esmonde M.P."
"and Walter Mc Murrough Kavanagh M.P."

Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr Hill

That the D & S Ec Railway Co be asked to give a connection from Inchinne to New Ross by the train leaving Dublin at 8.10 a.m, which is due in Inchinne at 10.59 a.m

Passed Unanimously

Ordered

That advertisements be issued inviting Tenders for the public lighting of the town for the ensuing year, commencing on 1st September, the same number of incandescent burners to be used as last year, and the tenders to be considered at meeting of the Council, to be held on 12th inst.

It was also ordered that Tenders be invited for the supply of two boatloads of gravel.

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The Clerk asked instructions as to the re-fixing of the Tablet on the '98 Monument, and it was Ordered That Brigdtns Kehoe be directed to have it put on again.

The consideration of the letter received from Messrs Colfer & Gethin relative to house occupied by Mrs Galavin at Fair Gate, and that lately occupied by Mrs Cullen Bullawn was again adjourned. as was also the question of appointing a Town Surveyor.

It was also Ordered that Mr Freeman be directed to have some panes of glass put in windows of house occupied by Mrs Sweetman of Church Lane, which belongs to the Council

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 12th August 1908

Samuel Hill

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Wednesday 12th August 1908

a meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also consider tenders for the public lighting of the town for the ensuing year and take the necessary steps for the appointment of a Town Surveyor.

Present Messrs Samuel Hill Presiding
Patrick Dunphy
John Murphy
William Mc. Gabe
and
Patrick J. Delaney

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and William Mc. Gabe and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No	58	Patrick Blake		£ 21 - 1 - 6
"	59	Waterford & NewRoss Port San Authority		5 - 0 - 0
"	60	Shand Mason & Co		1 - 5 - 4
"	61	Mrs Corcoran		1 - 13 - 10
"	62	James Phelan		66 - 13 - 4
"	63	W & H. Hartrick		4 - 6
"	64	Sec School attendance Committee		7 - 12 - 4
"	65	John Tobin		12 - 10 - 0
"	66	Hely's Ltd		1 - 15 - 9
"	67	M. J. Finn	Petty Cash	13 - 14 - 11
"	68	Do		8 - 6 - 8
"	69	John J. Browne		2 - 12 - 0
"	70	James Barron		2 - 8 - 9
"	71	Colfer & Gethin	Loans a/c	2 - 1 - 0
"	72	Do	Loans a/c	31 - 6 - 9
"	73	Patrick Blake	Loans a/c	12 - 10 - 0

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Acknowledgments of the receipt of copy of resolution passed at last meeting of the Council relative to the proposed reduction in Status of the NewRoss Post office were received - The Postmaster General, Secretary General Post office, Messrs Peter Tfrench M.P. Walter Kavanagh M.P. Sir Thos. Grattan Esmonde M.P. The Prime Minister and Chief Secretary for Ireland.

The Secretary, and General Manager. D & S.E. Rly Co. wrote acknowledging receipt of a copy of the resolution passed by the Council relative to the train service from Dublin to NewRoss.

No Order made

A resolution of protest against the Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order 1908, was received from the Co Wexford Co-operative conference but the communication was marked "read".

The Clerk reported that some additional limestones will be required for street metalling, and it was

Proposed by Mr Delaney and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy

That three additional lighters (90 tons) of limestones be ordered from Mr Phelan if he is willing to supply them at same price as the ones already supplied.

Passed Unanimously

Offices,
NewRoss, July, 1908.

Dear Sir,

In reference to the Council's request to be advised as to whether they have power to sell or lease

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the house at the Fair Gate at present in the occupation of Mrs Galavan, and the house at the Bullawn lately occupied by Mrs Cullen, we will deal with each case separately as their circumstances are different.

As to Mrs Galavan's premises we understand that the Council hold part of them under Lease dated 10th December 1806 for 999 years at the yearly rent of £1. Irish and that they hold the remaining part of them in perpetuity. The Council have power to make a lease of the entire premises, subject of course to Mrs Galavan's yearly tenancy, for 31 years at such yearly rent as shall appear reasonable to them without taking any fine. The Council have also power in certain cases to make a building lease for any term not exceeding 75 years either at a reserved rent or fine or both, but before deciding whether a building lease could be made in the present case we would want to have precise information as to the present state of the premises and the extent to which it would be proposed to rebuild or alter and improve them. As to the right of the Council to sell these premises they may do so if they obtain the consent of the Local Government Board; and in the event of this consent being obtained care must be taken to distinguish between the portion of the premises held under Lease for years and that held in perpetuity, and if the latter portion is subject to any head rent in conjunction with other property the fact must be set out in the particulars and conditions of sale, and arrangements made as to indemnifying the purchaser against payment of any part of the perpetual head rent, or otherwise as the Council may decide.

As to the house occupied by the late Mrs Cullen we wish to refer you to our letter of 29th

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March 1905, in which we explained to you the illegal position in which the Council had placed themselves by taking up possession of two of the three houses held by Mrs Cullen without first legally determining her tenancy. We are not aware that anything was done during Mrs Cullen's lifetime to rectify this error either by coming to an agreement with her or by serving her with a notice to quit and we understand that when she died the position of affairs was not altered in any way. This being so there is still an outstanding tenancy in Mrs Cullens Reps which her Administrator might establish if administration was raised to her. You informed us that after Mrs Cullen's death her daughter handed you the key of the house with the intention of surrendering it, but she is not her mother's legal personal representative nor is she so far as we can learn even of age, and she is not in the circumstances competent to make a legal surrender to the Council. The Council could not without serious risk either sell or lease the house until the tenancy becomes legally vested in them. If the difficulty we mention was got over the Council would have the same powers of selling or leasing as we have described in Mrs Galavan's case.

Yours very truly,
Colfer & Gethin.

M. J. Finn Esq

Considerable discussion took place on the reading of this letter as to what action should be taken by the Council respecting the two houses referred to in it, during which the Clerk pointed out that the house lately occupied by Mrs Cullen needed to be barricaded at the rere to prevent anyone from

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entering it, as at present it was a regular commons. With regard to that occupied by Mrs Galavan, she called to the office and stated she did not require extensive repairs carried out upon it, but merely to repair the roof, and windows.

As the meeting was small it was again decided to adjourn the further consideration of the matter to next meeting.

The following proposal for the public lighting of the town for year ending 31st August 1909, was received from the Newross Gas Co Viz :—

Newross Gas Co Ltd,
Newross, 11th Augst 1908.

Messrs The Newross Urban District Council

Gentlemen,

In response to your advertisement I am directed to tender on behalf of The Newross Gas Co Ltd for lighting the public lamps as follows :—

Winter Lighting

From 1st September 1908 to 1st May 1909
50 lamps to be extinguished at 11 P.M. at £2-2-0 per lamp
14 lamps to remain lighting all night at £3-10-0 per lamp.
30 of these lamps to be fitted with incandescent burners, the mantles and chimneys used for their maintenance to be charged at cost price.

The above lamps not to be lighted on the nights of the moon, that is, two nights before, the night of full moon, and two nights after.

32 lamps to be lit on the nights of the moon and extinguished at 11 P.M. at 7/6 per lamp.

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Summer Lighting

From May 1st 1909, to 1st September 1909
15 lamps to remain lighting all night except on the moonlight nights, when they will be extinguished at 11 P.M. at 17/= per lamp. The Tholsel lamp to be lighted as at present at £5-12-6 per annum.
The lamps at the entrance of New Town Hall and St Catherines Church to be lighted as required, at 10/= each per annum.
The illuminating power will be similar to the last contract.

Yours faithfully,
H. Kirkham.
Manager & Secretary.

Proposed by John Murphy and
Seconded by Patrick J. Delaney "That the proposal of the NewRoss Gas Co for the public lighting of the town for year ending 31st August 1909 be accepted".

Passed Unanimously

It was ordered that the Gas Co be asked to quote cost of lighting lamps in Irishtown on Fair mornings from 5 o'clock a.M.

List of arrears of outstanding pipe water rent for year ending 31st July 1908 consisting of Repr. of N. Murphy Mary St, 15/=, and M. J. Cooney 7/6 was submitted to the meeting and on the proposal of Mr Dunphy Seconded by Mr John Murphy it was ordered that both sums be cancelled.

The recommendation of the water Committee respecting the widening of door of Engine Room, so as to admit new hose cart, was considered and it was ordered that

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Mr James Connolly builder be directed to widen it and re-build whatever portion of the wall necessary.

Ordered That the Clerk be allowed two week's leave of absence, to be taken at intervals, and that John Brennan be appointed Clerk, at a salary of 10/= per week for this position and that of S. S. Officer to which he has been already appointed.

The Clerk submitted a number of bills (see list at commencement of minutes) which were examined by the members and on the Proposal of Mr Delaney, Seconded by Mr John Murphy, they were ordered to be paid.

Mr Delaney again drew attention to the necessity of having the additional Fountains erected and proposed the following Viz:- "That the recommendations unanimously agreed to by the whole Council on the evening of June 24th and ordered to be carried out by the subsequent meeting of July 8th be carried out without further delay by having tenders for the erection of the three fountains and removal of another issued as soon as possible.

after some discussion it was ordered that Mr Andrew Cullen builder, be directed to prepare a specification for the erection of three additional fountains or the removal of one or two, the exact positions in which they are to be erected to be pointed out by Mr Delaney.

The question of the appointment of a Town Surveyor was next considered and it was
Proposed by The Chairman and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy "That the salary of

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a Town Surveyor for the Urban District of NewRoss be fixed at £52 per annum.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered That the Local Government Board be asked to sanction this salary and also the duties prescribed by the Council, copy of which has been already forwarded to the Board.

Mr Murphy drew attention to the fact that slops were continually deposited in the channel in John St, and suggested that the attention of the Street Inspector be directed to the matter, and it was ordered accordingly. He also referred to the growing practice of allowing empty boxes &c on the streets, and it was ordered that this matter be considered at next meeting of the Council.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 26th August 1908.

Wm Go Williams

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Wednesday 26th August 1908

A meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, and consider what action should be taken by Council respecting the placing of boxes on the streets by householders; take the necessary steps for the appointment of a Town Surveyor, also proposal for lighting of lamp at Irishtown on Fair mornings during winter months.

Present Messrs Wm. G. Williams Vice Chairman
Samuel Hill
John Murphy
Patrick J. Delaney
David Murphy
John Cockrill
Joseph Roche
William and Mc. Gabe

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Samuel Hill and John Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 74 M. J. Finn Petty Cash £ 20 . 5 . 4

Letter from Local Government Board No 45,167 : 1908, dated 20th August 1908 approving of the proposal of the Council to fix the salary of the person who may be appointed Town Surveyor at £52 per annum, and stating that they consider the duties of the post, as defined by the Council sufficient.

Ordered

That the consideration of this letter, and of

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the final arrangements for the appointment of a Surveyor be adjourned to next meeting.

Letter from the D. + S. E. Rly Co. dated 20th August acknowledging receipt of a resolution of the Council asking to have a connection at Macmine for Newross with the 8.10 train from Dublin, and stating that this train was put on experimentally, and that its continuance will depend upon the experience during the summer months. If it is a permanent one the feasibility of the Council's suggestion will be considered, but at present no change can be made in the Time Table.

No Order made

Letter from the Gas Co. dated 24th Inst. stating that they will light the lamps at Irishtown on fair mornings free during the coming Winter months.

Proposed by Chairman and
Seconded by John Murphy

That the best thanks of the Council be tendered to the Gas Co for their offer to light the lampsreferred to free.

Passed Unanimously

Letters were received from J. E. Redmond Esq M.P. the Secretary General Post office, and the Postmaster General, acknowledging receipt of the resolution passed by the Council relative to the Post office.

No order made

a proposal was received from John Whitty Camblin, of £1 for large heap of manure and 15/- each for two

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small ones in Council's yard but it was adjourned to next meeting.

James Phelan Miltown, Kilmacow, wrote stating that he will supply any additional stones the Council require at Contract price Viz:- 2/8 per ton.

There was no order made, ninety tons additional having already been ordered subject to this condition.

He also wrote stating that the boatman who delivered the first load told him there were no stones on the part of Quay on which he landed that load.

Mr Dolland alleges that there was a gabbard load belonging to him which was covered in delivering Council's stones and subsequently drawn to the depots by their men.

The question of making final arrangements for the appointment of a Town Surveyor was deferred to next meeting.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 9th September 1908.

Wm G. Williams

Monday 7th September 1908

Monthly Meeting day

No attendance of Members.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 9th September 1908

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Wednesday 9th September 1908

a meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Town's Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also consider what action should be taken respecting the placing of boxes on Streets by householders, take the necessary steps for the appointment of a Town Surveyor.

Present Messrs Wm. G. Williams Vice Chairman
Samuel Hill
Peter Murphy
James G. Dooley
Joseph Roche
William Mc. Babe
Patrick J. Delaney
John Murphy
John O'Sullivan
David and Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and Peter Murphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:—

No 75	Richard Murphy	Dranagh	£ 8 .. 15 .. 0
" 76	T. A. Ashe	New Ross	6 .. 0
" 77	James Barron	"	2 .. 8 .. 0
" 78	Patrick Redmond	"	4 .. 6 .. 8
" 79	Do	"	4 - 6 .. 8
" 80	Gas Co	"	96 .. 2 .. 4
" 81	Thomas Martin	"	17 .. 11
" 82	M. J. Finn	"	8 .. 6 .. 8
" 83	John J. Browne	"	19 .. 9 .. 7
" 84	John Tobin	"	3 .. 2 .. 6
" 85	M. J. Finn Petty Cash	"	19 .. 5 .. 7

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No 86	Treasurer to Council	Wexford	£ 310 .. 14 .. 0
.. 87	Colfer & Lyttin	Loans a/c	171 .. 16 .. 2
.. 88	Patrick Blake	Loans a/c	750 .. 0 .. 0

Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board No 48,103 : 1908 dated 2nd Sept. in reference to the collection of the Poor Rate for half year ending 30th Sept 1908 in which the Board stated that the Collector should be required to complete this collection by the 30th Inst. without fail.

Ordered That the Collector be asked to proceed more expeditiously with the collection of the Poor Rate for the current half year, and that he be informed he will be required to complete it by the 30th Inst. without fail.

The Clerk reported in writing that the amount of Poor Rate outstanding at date is £ 296-1-2 but there was no order made as the matter was already dealt with.

Upper Ground St, London.
Sept 1st 1908.

Dear Sir,

We thank you for your esteemed order for leather washers for stand pipe and these are having our best attention.

For temporary repairs to hose pipe, we supply special canvas bands arranged for readily lacing on as shown in the enclosed illustration, and these we can supply at 6/= each.

The cost of a 40 feet length of hose as previously supplied one end fitted with screw coupling and the other instantaneous pattern of correct gauge to fit your

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appliances so that your new hose may be used with the fire engine would be 36/8 net.

Trusting to be favoured with your esteemed order which shall have our best and prompt attention.

We are,
Yours truly,
Shand Mason &Co.

Ordered That a forty foot length of hose be ordered at price quoted, 36/8 net, one end to be fitted with screw coupling and the other automatic coupling so that the new hose can be used with the fire Engine.

A memo was received from the Irish Land Commission stating that Mr Delaney has paid £.7-1-5 interest on purchase money to 1st May 1908, and that Mr Thorpe is still in arrear. Proceedings will be taken at the coming Sessions against him if the amount is not paid in the meantime.

a proposal was received from Thomas Martin to keep the chimneys of fifty-five houses of the Council clean, and free from soot, for one year from 1st Sept 1908 for the sum of £.3-11-8 and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, Seconded by Mr Hill it was accepted.

Wm. Shea, one of the Council's workmen, applied for a suit of oilclothes and it was ordered that he be supplied with a suit.

A proposal of 20/= for large heap of manure in yard, and 15/= each for two smaller ones, was received from Mr John Whitty Bamblin, and on the proposal of Mr David Murphy, Seconded by Mr Mc. Babe it was

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accepted, as was also a proposal of 10/= received from Mbr John Redmond Verosland, provided he is willing to take the heap recently finished.

A circular letter was received from The Hibernian Fire and General Insurance Co Ltd. intimating their readiness to undertake the transaction of Fire business, pointing out that it was inaugurated as an Irish Company with a view to saving for the country the economic outlay on Insurance. It has a capital of £200,000, of which over £100,000 has been, and arrangements, have been made to divide its risks with leading companies.

Ordered

That the consideration be referred to the Finance Committee, the Clerk to prepare a statement showing premium dates of the different Fire Insurances of the Council.

Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met this day at 6.30 o'clock P.M. and recommended payment of the following (see list at commencement of minutes).

Signed
Peter Murphy
David Murphy

Proposed by John Murphy and
Seconded by William McCabe

That the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made.

Passed Unanimously

That the County Council Paying Order be held over for two weeks.

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Collector's Report

I beg leave to report following weekly tenants owing over one month's rent.

John Hand	Wm St	2/6 per week	£1-0-6
James Martin	"		11-0
Michael Allen	"		11-0
James Cullen	"		1-0-3
Edward Broaders	"	1/9 "	10-3
Mary Canterbury	"		15-6
Thomas Murphy	"		11-3
Richard Carthy	"		10-0
Margt. Donovan	Fair Gate		15-9
Edward Whitty	"		16-6
Anne Ryan	Church Lane		18-3
James Kehoe	Holly Ho Lane		12-9
Ellen Donovan	"		10-0
James Bailey	(Meat Market)		1-9-6
Richd. Wickham	Wm St		14-6

Patrick Kehoe Irishtown. fireplace require to be renewed.
Mrs Hanlon Wm St repairs to Scullery
Mrs Drohan Wm St front door require repairs
Mary Grace Wm St range require repairs

Mr Mayes Greywell refuse to pay Town Rate, on account of not having water pipe laid to his house.
Mrs Culleton Wexford St. same complaint.

John J. Browne.

Ordered

That the Sureties of each tenant be furnished with the amount due with a request that they have it paid up.

That the Collector proceed with the collection of the Town Rate from the persons referred to in his report as refusing to pay.

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There was no order made respecting the repairs to houses, pending the appointment of a Town Surveyor.

Messrs P. N. O'Gorman & Co applied for one ~~loc~~ load of broken stones, and it was ordered that same be supplied at cost price.

As the Clerk has to take his holidays at intervals it was proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and Seconded by Mr Delaney

That John Brennan be re-appointed Town Clerk for two additional weeks at same salary Viz 10/= per week.

Passed Unanimously

Street Inspector's Report

The Street Inspector reported that the steps leading into Shambles in Mary St are in a dangerous state for want of roughing. He found the several streets and lanes clean each day. As regards the crossings which he have been ordered to report on: four sets are missing from the crossing at West end of Quay St. Two years ago he reported about the bad state that the crossings at :- Charles St, Marsh Lane, and Priory Lane were in, in the latter three cases, the Contractor could not have done better than what he did.

Ordered That Edward Shanahan be employed to chisel off the steps leading into the Shambles.

That a copy of the report in reference to the crossings be sent to the Contractor.

The consideration of the appointment of a Town Surveyor was next taken up and it was

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Proposed by Samuel Hill and
Seconded by John O'Sullivan

"That advertisements be issued for a Town Surveyor at a salary of £52. per annum, the duties to be those already approved of by the Council, (and which are entered at foot) the person appointed to be a whole time officer, and reside in the Urban District".

Passed Unanimously

Ordered That the election take place at the meeting of the Council to be held on 7th October 1908. and that ~~arrangements~~ advertisements inviting proposals for the office, be inserted in one issue of Freeman's Journal, NewRoss Standard, Free Press, and the Echo.

NewRoss Urban District

Duties of Town Surveyor

(1) In addition to those prescribed by the Local Government Board which appear in "Vanstons Local Government" page 590, "The Public Bodies Order 1904", and "The Urban Transferred Business Procedure Order 1906"., he will be required to prepare Plans, Specification, and Estimates for any repairs to, or alterations of their houses re, which the Council may at any time require to have done, and in addition, superintend the carrying out of such alterations or repairs, and give such certificate of completion as may be necessary.

(2) He shall exercise careful supervision over the men engaged in Street maintenence, and give the necessary instructions, through the Foreman, for the proper repair

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and maintenence of the streets in the hands of the Council, and shall report in writing to each meeting, on the general condition of same, as well as, of other work which may be in progress, or demanding his attention.

(3) He shall superintend the making of all house water connections, and give the necessary instructions for repair of all water mains, and branch water pipes, and as far as possible, superintend and direct same.

(4) He shall prepare Plans for the carrying out of any work, whether of the nature of a "Public Work" or otherwise, which may be undertaken by the Council, also specification and estimate, and superintend the carrying out of the work.

(5) He shall keep such books of account, and record of material supplied and used in street maintenence, and all such records appertaining to all such works in the district, whether public or otherwise, as may be under the control of the Council, or in the carrying out of which they may be engaged.

(6) It shall be his duty to personally superintend the repair of any existing sewers, as well as the construction of new ones.
July 17th 1908.

Approved of by Finance Committee on this date, and by Council at their meeting held on the 22nd July.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 23rd September 1908.

John L Hearn

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Wednesday, 23rd. September 1908

A meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P. M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts Connected therewith, and make arrangements for repairs to houses occupied by Mrs Galavin and that lately occupied by Mrs Cullen.

Present Messrs John L. Hearn J.P. presiding
D. Walsh
Patrick J. Delaney
Samuel Hill
Joseph Roche
and
David Murphy

The Minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Joseph Roche and Patrick J. Delaney and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:- Petty Cash £18-0-0

The Clerk drew attention to the necessity of having houses occupied by Mrs Galavin, and that lately occupied by Mrs Cullen, repaired, the consideration of same having been adjourned from previous meeting. It was now Ordered that Mrs Cullen's be hoarded up so as to prevent any person from breaking into it, and that the further consideration of the repairs to Mrs Galavin's be adjourned to next meeting.

A letter was received from the Town Clerk of Wicklow intimating that he was directed by his Council to draw immediate attention to the action of the D & S Ex. Railway Co with regard to their proposed to take off the 3 P.M. train from Dublin to Wexford, and the 6 P.M. up from Wexford, and that he is asking the several Boards along the line to pass strong resolutions, and to petition the Railway Co against any diminution or change in the present train service.

After some discussion the following resolution, proposed by Mr Hill, and seconded Dr. Walsh was unanimously adopted, and a copy ordered to be sent to the Railway Co Viz:- "That we, The New Ross Urban District Council, protest against the proposed alteration in the"

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"train service between Wexford and Waterford, and"
"requed the Directors of the Dublin and South Eastern Railway"
"to, not to curtail, or diminish, the existing train facilities between"
"these towns"

Letter from the Acting C.S. Officer Waterford stating that the cost of a water pipe cutting machine, same as used by the Waterford Corporation, is £4. and that it can be obtained from The Glenfield and Kennedy Co.ltd. Kilmarnock, Scotland, and it was Ordered that a catalogue be obtained from that Firm.

Letter from Major Barrett Hamilton, thanking the Council for the use of the Fire Engine, and apologising for delay in returning same. The Clerk stated that there was some expense incurred by the members of the Brigade who accompanied it for car hire and it was

Ordered

That the bill of same be furnished to Major Barrett Hamilton.

Letter from Messrs Wilkins and Burden 13 Belvidere Place Dublin, dated 17th September 1908, asking for some particulars as to the cost of the present lighting of the Town by Gas, with a view to them reporting as to the saving which can be effected by adopting electricity.

Ordered

That the Clerk furnish the desired information.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland wrote under date 18th September 1908-, No 25,629-'08, enclosing a copy of The Bee Pest Prevention (Ireland) Act 1908, and asking if the Council are willing to adopt a resolution consenting generally, to the payment of compensation in every case to which Section 5 (a) applies

Ordered

That the Department be informed the Council are not willing to pay Compensation for bees destroyed in pursuance of the provisions of the Act.

An application was received from the Manager of The Leader for authority,

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New Ross, Wednesday, 27th September 1908

to insert the advertisement "Town Surveyor Wanted" but the meeting decided not to insert it in any additional newspapers.

A Paying Order for £26. 8. 6, Amount of Probate Duty for Year ending 31st March last was received from the Chief Secretary's Office, and ordered to be lodged to the Credit of the Council.

A Circular was received from the Committee of the Parnell Memorial Fund suggesting that the collection of funds should be undertaken in the week following the Anniversary, and the Suggestion was adopted by the Meeting.

Messrs Shand Mason acknowledge receipt of Order for Hose, one length for Fire Engine, and the Clerk reported it had come to hand.

A letter was received from Messrs Colfer & Lethin Solicitors, enclosing Notice to Quit, to be signed by the Chairman, and two Other Councillors, and Countersigned by the Clerk and Sealed with the Corporate Seal, when completed they asked to have it returned.
This was Necessary to have signed as the Council desire to obtain possession of the small house & Office, and weighbridge held by Mrs Drake.
Proposed by Dr. Walsh and
Seconded by Mr Roche.

"That the Notice to surrender the Tenancy"
"of the weighbridge be signed by the Chairman of the Council"
"and two members, and that it be Countersigned by the Clerk and"
"Sealed"

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the "Notice to Quit" was duly signed and Sealed.

A letter was received from Mr Thomas J Dempsey intimating that he had been appointed an Agent of The Hibernian Fire and General

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Insurance Cos^ts. and asking the support of the Council for the Company. As this matter will come before the Finance Committee at their next meeting there was no Order made upon it.

The Clerk reported that the Fire Engine will not have room in the Fire Engine Room owing to the Hose Cart being placed in it, and some arrangements will require to be made for its storage.

Ordered

That the Consideration of the matter be referred to the Water Committee, and that they be empowered to make whatever arrangements they Consider necessary for its storage.

It was also Ordered that Mr Andrew Cullen be directed to repair leaks in roof of School, and that "Notices to Quit" be prepared and signed at next Meeting of the Council, to be served on all tenants who have not Bonds, for the regular payment of their rent.

The Clerk stated that the door Of Henry St Yard required to be repaired, and that Mr Connolly, who examined it, stated it cannot be patched, but will require to be newly made, but there was no definite Order made upon it.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 7th October 1908

Wm Geo Lyons

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Wednesday 7th October 1908

a meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also appoint a Town Surveyor.

Present Messrs Wm. G. Williams Vice-Chairman
John O'Sullivan
Patrick J. Delaney
Peter Murphy
Dr. Walsh
Patrick Dunphy
William Mc. Labe
and David Murphy

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Dr. Walsh and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 90 M. J. Finn Petty Cash £14-15-9

The following was read Viz:-

Irishtown,
NewRoss. 6/10/08.

Dear Sir

Again I beg to draw your attention to the unsanitary state of my house. I am paying £10-4-6 a year for the past 13 years without a roof over my head, and your agent Mr Browne was not a bit backward in demanding either the rent or the key at the last collection. The Urban Council ought to be ashamed to be the Landlords. I do not see why they would not keep their property in repair,

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but they would be very busy in compelling other landlords to do so. It is simply disgraceful to the eyes of the public. I cannot live in it for the winter in its present condition unless some repairs are done, with the rain coming in through the roof, or not even a window. I am sure it would not be much expense to get the necessary repairs done. Hoping the Council will be good enough to attend to the matter as soon as possible.

I remain,
Yours truly,
Mary Galavan.

Ordered

That Mr Connolly be again asked to send in an estimate of the probable cost of carrying out the repairs on this house in accordance with the suggestions of the Committee who inspected it with him.

A letter was received from Robert Quinn South St, stating that about four yards of the wall of his marsh at Newtown had fallen, owing to road scrapings having been banked against it, and asking to have it repaired as soon as possible.

Ordered

That the matter be referred to the Street Committee to be dealt with by him.

Miss Maher wrote acknowledging receipt of Notice to surrender Tenancy of scales at Quay and asking to be given another trial for a longer period after so many years tenancy, and she will see everything all right.

Ordered

That Miss Maher be informed that as she declined to place the machine in charge of a competent

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person, the Council had no option but to proceed to take up possession of it and they regret they cannot now interfere in the matter.

A Tender was received from Mr Patrick Carroll Butterbridge, for the supply of two boatloads of St Mullin's gravel for 30/= each, and on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, Seconded by Mr John Murphy it was unanimously accepted.

An application was received from John Power Mary St for employment on the streets during the coming winter. During the past two he had been working on them.

Proposed by Mr Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr Delaney

"That he be employed temporarily as soon as a man is required."

Passed Unanimously

a letter was received from Messrs Wilkins & Burden pointing out that the town can be lighted by electricity for a total yearly sum of £112-10-0, and showing a saving of £82-10-0 per annum, but the outlay will be £6.000 to instal Plant, mains, Building etc.

No order made the Council not being disposed to embark in a scheme involving such an outlay.

a letter was received from Glenfield & Kennedy Ltd. enclosing catalogue of water work fittings, including pipe cutting machine and it was ordered to be preserved for reference.

a telegram was received from the Town Clerk Wicklow.

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stating that a deputation will wait on Directors of D. & S. E. Rly Co. on following day in reference to alteration in tram service and asking to have a representative from this Council attend.

The Clerk stated that he did not receive the message until 8.20 P.M. when it was absolutely impossible to arrange a deputation as the members could not arrive in Dublin in time for meeting by earliest train.

Notice of audit of accounts for year ending 31st March 1908, was received from Mr Baker Local Government auditor, the audit to be held on 13th Inst.

Ordered

That the Clerk attend to the matter.

A resolution was received from the Londonderry Union in reference to the report of the Select Committee on Home work but there was no order made upon it.

A proposal of 9/= for heap of manure in yard adjoining wall, and 12/= for one at present being made was received from Mr James Conway, and same was accepted if these particular heaps are not already sold.

A proposal of 8/= received from James Lalor for another heap was also accepted.

Mr Arthur J. Alexander wrote to say that he will draw the manure deposited on Cherry's road as soon as possible, and this was considered satisfactory.

The D & S. E. Rly Co acknowledged receipt of the Council's resolution in reference to alteration in trains which they stated had very careful consideration both by the officers of the Company and the Directors.

They hoped that the arrangement by which the

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afternoon Down train and evening up train are to be continued on two days in the week will lessen the inconvenience.

Ordered That the clerk point out the evening up train only goes to Machmine and also that there is no connection from NewRoss with the Wednesday and Saturday up train from Wexford.

Messrs Colfer+Lyethin acknowledged receipt of Notice to Quit, in case of Miss Maher, duly completed.

John Doyle William St, applied for one of the councils houses in that street, lately occupied by Richard Carty and offered Mrs Carr Priory St, as surety and on the proposal of Mr O'Sullivan Seconded by Mr David Murphy he was accepted tenant.

a proposal of 10/-, was received from Mr James Shea Millbanks, for heap of manure on School house road, was ordered to be accepted.

Mr John Murphy drew attention to the necessity of having the kerbings of the footpath on High Hill chiselled, as it was dangerous in its present state.

Ordered That Mr Shanahan Bridge St, be employed to chisel it.

The clerk reported that a vacancy exists on the Urban School attendance Committee owing to the resignation of Canon Healy, and it was ordered that the members be summoned to attend next meeting to appoint his successor.

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Estate office,
Newross, 1st Oct 1908.

Dear Sir,

James E. Galavan Esq: the Master of Trinity Hospital died on the 28th ult.

If your Council wish to nominate anyone to fill the vacancy you should give me the name within 21 days of this date.

Yours faithfully,
Hugh R. Hamilton.

The Clerk,
Urban Dist Council.

Ordered

That the members be summoned to attend next meeting to elect one or more persons to be recommended to the person representing the heirs of Thomas Gregory, for election to the office of Master of Trinity Hospital.

appointment of Town Surveyor

The following applications were received for the position of Town Surveyor at a salary of £52 per annum, the person appointed to reside in town, devote his whole time to the duties of the office, and perform all the duties prescribed by the Local Government Board, and also those specified by the Council, and approved of by them, as entered on minutes of a previous meeting.

From Joseph P. Macken 44 Mountjoy Square, Dublin, who submitted a testimonial from Benjamin Millard Builder & Contractor, 53 Mountpleasant St, Dublin.

From Thomas Byrne who asked to be re-instated to the position of Town Surveyor, and from James J. Shortall as follows:—

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New Ross,
7-10-1908.

Sir,

In answer to your advt. re Urban Surveyor, I hereby respectfully beg to offer myself as candidate for the position.

I possess 4 years practical experience in road & street construction & maintenance with my uncle who is an extensive road & building Contractor.

I also possess a sound theoretical knowledge of sanitary work having studied various treatises dealing with this subject, & can claim a valuable experience in building construction having for a considerable period substituted my brother who was clerk to the late Mr Scallan Building Contractor, Wexford.

I think I can therefore confidently claim to be able to satisfy the Local Government Board as to my general competency.

If elected I shall devote my time principally to the service of the Council & shall endeavour to give every satisfaction & to discharge my duties to the best of my ability.

I am Sir,
your obedient Servant,
James J. Shortall.

Knockroe,
New Ross. 7th Oct 1908.

Sir,

I know the bearer Mr James J. Shortall for a good number of years he is very respectable, smart, & intelligent, and a strict teetotaller. I believe if appointed by the Council he would give every satisfaction.

Yours truly,
W. Thorpe.

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The Bearer Mr James Shortall is a very respectable young man and in every way qualified for the situation of Borough Surveyor.

T. A. Furlong P.P.
Bushinstown, 8th Oct 1908.

Wexford County Council.
31st Sept 1908.

Mr James J. Shortall, Knockroe, NewRoss, was employed by my Council for three seasons as Sheep Dipping Inspector and during that period gave every satisfaction in the discharge of his duties.

N. J. Grizelle,
Secretary.

See resolution in Letter Book

*On the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy seconded by D. Murphy Mr Shortall was elected unanimously
Mr Shortall was called before the meeting when the Chairman announced his election to him subject to the approval of the Local Government Board and to his compliance with the advertised conditions, and discharge of all the duties prescribed by the Council, and the Local Government Board.

Mr Shortall thanked the members for electing him and promised to carry out the duties and comply with the advertised conditions.

It was also ordered that the Clerk notify the Local Government Board on following day, of the appointment of Mr Shortall, and that the usual Query sheet be signed at next meeting of the Council.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 14th October 1908.

John S Stears

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Friday 9th October 1908

a meeting of the
Street bommittee to be held this day at 4.30 oclock
P. M. to inspect wall at Newtown.

a Quorum not having assembled the meeting
adjourned.

Wednesday October 14th. 1908

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council for Quarter ended
30th. September 1908 was held this day at 7-O'Clock P.M
to transact business pursuant to The Local Government
(Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts amending the same.

Present Rep.ro John J. Kearns J.P. Chairman
Peter Dempsey
Patrick J. Delaney
John Murphy
Joseph Roche
Samuel Neil
Wm. McCabe
and
Patrick Dunphy

As there was no Quarterly business to be transacted the
Meeting adjourned to second Wednesday in January 1909

John J. Kearns

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Wednesday 14th October 1908

A meeting of the Newbridge Urban District Council was held this day at 4.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to recommend to the person representing the heirs of Thomas Gregory one or more proper persons for election to the Office of Master of Trinity Hospital in succession to the late James. E. Galavin J.P.; also to elect a member of the school attendance Committee in the room of Very Revd. Canon Healy D.D. resigned; and Consider what steps should be taken to put house occupied by Mrs. Galavin at Fair Gate in proper repair.

Present the Revd. John Sheane J.P. Chairman
Peter Dempsey
Patrick Sweeney
John Dempsey
Joseph Roche
Samuel Hill
Wm. McCabe
John O'Sullivan
and
Patrick Dempsey

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read & Signed

The Treasurer's Authority for making Payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Dempsey and Joseph Roche and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 91	John Mc Walsh	£2-8-6
" 92	Newbridge Gas Co	17-0-9
" 93	W. J. Sheane	18-0
" 94	P. A. Jeffares	" 9-9
" 95	Alex Thom & Co	" 12-10
" 96	Sh Stephens Cemetery Committee	4" 13-6
" 97	Technical Instruction Committee	12" 5-5
" 98	Mc Grim	2" 4" 4
" 99	Same	8" 6-8
" 100	Same	6" 5" 0
" 101	Patrick Power	6-17-0

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102	John J Browne	£ 9. 6. 11
103	John Brennan	2. 0. 0
104	James Barron	17. 13. 8
105	Cashiers Bank of Ireland	37 2. 3. 5
106	Same	43. 2. 8
107	Same	59. 9. 10
108	Patrick Blake	7. 12. 9
109	Cashiers Bank of Ireland	3. 0. 0
110	In favour	9. 0. 0

The following Correspondence was read:-

Mary St
October 14th 1908

Gentlemen

Once more I appeal to your just consideration relative to the case against public weigh bridge. I sincerely ask of you to cancel the resolution that you made at your meeting of the 7th. inst that I should give up possession of the weighbridge. Now that I have got the machine in the hands of a competent person whom I trust will give satisfaction on both sides. I also hope you will grant me a favourable decision.

I remain Yours Respectfully
Bridget Maher

After some discussion it was:-
Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr David Murphy "That proceedings be "
"stayed in the case of Miss Maher for possession "
"of the public weighbridge on Quay, on condition that"
"She now pays the expense incurred by the Council "
"up to the present, and that they also have the right, "
"as heretofore, to cause the Scales to be inspected, and the
"weight of all loads checked by their Clerk whenever Same is Considered Necessary."

Passed Unanimously

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It was ordered that the Clerk ascertain from the Council's Solicitors the Amount of costs incurred by them up to the present, and on receipt of the amount from Mr Maher, he is to hand over same to the solicitors and instruct them to discontinue further proceedings in the case.

A letter was received from Dr James Connolly dated 18th Oct, stating that he had examined house occupied by Mrs Galavin at Irishtown and found that the cost of putting same in proper repair would be £75. or £80. He also gave a specification of the work to be carried out for this sum.

The Meeting considered this sum rather large to expend on the house at present, and it was agreed to refer the matter to the Street Committee, who, with Dr Connolly are to inspect the house again, and endeavour to arrive at some scheme of repairing it which will be less expensive.

It was also Ordered that a Meeting of the Committee be held on Friday evening, and that they also inspect breach in wall at Newtown, and report upon it, and also, upon the necessity of having a new door erected on Council's yard in Henry St.

A letter was received from the Commissioners of National Education pointing out that as the Period of Service of the School attendance Committee for Newtown will terminate on the 31st December next, the Council as the local Authority should appoint persons to be members of a new Committee from the 1st January 1909

Ordered

That the members be summoned to attend next Meeting to elect five members.

On the proposal of Mr Dunphy, seconded by Mr O'Sullivan, the Revd Mr Gibson was elected a member of the existing Committee in the room of Very Revd Canon Keatley resigned.

A letter was received from Mr Blake stating that the lowest he will sell the hut in Ballyleigh for is £4 H, which is less than half what it cost.
It was decided not to purchase it at that price.

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Thos. Dunne William St. wrote under date 13th. Inst. offering John Deegan as Surety for the payment of his rent in lieu of his former sureties who are dead, And Mr Deegan was approved of by the meeting.

The Finance Committee reported that they examined a number of accounts for payments and endorsed same. They recommend that sureties for weekly tenants be pressed for payment, and if unpaid proceedings be taken.

Fire Insurance the Committee recommend Continuance with Companies insured with at present, having no particulars of any other Company before them.

The Clerk submitted a list of the Comcils Insurances, showing amounts of premiums payable and date same is due in each case. It appeared that two expired on following day. A discussion took place respecting the advisability of transferring same to the Hibernian, but as the Comal had not sufficient information before them to enable to form an opinion on the Stability or otherwise of this Company, and as the two Policies referred to, will lapse it was agreed on the proposal of Mr O'Sullivan, seconded by Mr McCabe, that the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them made; the Clerk to obtain all particulars from the local Agent of the Hibernian Fire Co, including rates of premium, and submit same before the next policy premiums become due.

A circular letter was received from the Comptroller General, Board of Trade asking to have certain particulars furnished under The Census of Production Ireland Act, and the Clerk was directed to attend to the matter.

In reference to the case of weekly tenants who had not and upon whom notice to Quit had been ordered to be served at last meeting the Clerk submitted the notices filled and the following resolution was upon the proposal of The Chairman, Seconded by Mr McCabe, unanimously passed Viz:- "That notices to Quit in the case of Margaret Donovan, Fair Gate

James Bailey Head Market and John Hand William Street be signed and sealed by the Chairman and two Members of the Council and Countersigned by the Clerk and that same be served on the respective persons above named.

The letter received from Mr Hugh R. Hamilton JP. relative to the appointment of Master of Trinity Hospital was next considered and it was

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy
Seconded by Mr John Murphy, and resolved "That we, the"
"Newbliss Urban District Council, hereby recommend John."
"S. Hearn Esq J.P. to the person representing the heirs"
"of Thomas Gregory for election to the Office of Master of"
"Trinity Hospital"

Passed Unanimously

Mr Roche gave notice that at next meeting he will move that the Cattle weighing machine at Drishtown be advertised for sale.

The Street Inspector reported that he found the usual streets and lanes clean each day. Brushes are required for the men engaged in street cleaning.

In consequence of increased duties to be discharged by him Viz:- those of water Inspector he is unable to attend to the weighing Scales at Drishtown, and asks that some person be appointed to fulfil the position as soon as possible.

Ordered

That tenders be invited for the supply of two dozen of brushes, same to be considered at next meeting.

That the Members be summoned to attend next meeting to make arrangements for the attendance of some person at weighing machine at Drishtown

It was Ordered that the foreman be directed not to spread any more rubbish on the streets, and that the attention of Mr Jones be directed to

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a large rut, or hole, in the road in the Rural District between Drogarret Lane and Barretts Park.

The following resolution was
Proposed by Mr Delaney and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy viz:-

"That we, the
"Members of the New Ross Urban Council request Mr Redmond
"and the Irish Party to demand the repeal of the Penal
"Clauses against Roman Catholics which the late Conservative
"Prime Minister, Lord Salisbury denounced as a
"Stain on the Statue Book"

Passed Unanimously

Ordered That a copy of the foregoing resolution be sent to John E Redmond Esq M.P. Sir Thos. Esmonde M.P and Peter O'French Esq M.P.

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That a collection for the Irish Parliamentary Fund be now opened, and that Messrs Wm. G. Williams, Wm. McCabe and P Dunphy be appointed Collectors

Passed Unanimously

A collection list was opened and many Members of the Council present subscribed

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 28th October 1908.

Wm Walsh Chairman 28th Oct 08

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Wednesday 28th October 1908

A meeting of the Dewsboro Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Oblock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith; also to consider Notice of Motion by Mr Roche Viz:- "That the Cattle Machine at Drishtown be advertised for sale", to elect five Members of the School attendance Committee to be appointed by the Local Authority for three Years Commencing first January 1909, and arrange to let weighbridge, on Quay, or appoint a weigh Master, Bridget Baker having surrendered possession

Present Dr Walsh presiding
Messrs John Dunphy
Peter Dunphy
Patrick Delaney
John O'Sullivan
Joseph Roche
and Patrick Dunphy.

The Minutes of previous Meeting were read and signed

The Treasurer's Authority for making Payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Joseph Roche and Peter Dunphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued:-
Viz:- Petty Cash No 111 £4 14-0-5

Correspondence

Letter from Bridget Baker in reference to weighbridge on Quay, apologising for not complying with the Council's request to place a competent man in charge of it, stating that it was now, and for sometime past, in the care of such a man, and asking the Council to allow her to continue as tenant upon payment by her of all expenses up to the time she gave up the Key. These expenses she promised to pay by instalments.

After some discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr John Dunphy

That Bridget Baker be accepted as tenant of the Weighbridge on Quay at

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the weekly rent of 6/-, the Council reserving to themselves the right to cause the scales to be inspected, and the weight of all loads checked by their Clerk, or such other person as they may appoint, whenever same is considered necessary, the expenses incurred by the Council in obtaining possession of it amounting to £1-10-0, to be repaid in weekly instalments of 1/-.

Passed Unanimously

Letter from Revd. W Gibson acknowledging receipt of Notification of his appointment on the School Attendance Committee, and promising to attend as regularly as possible.
No Order Made.

The D & S Ey Railway Co wrote, under date the 14th October 1908, acknowledging receipt of the Council's letter of 8th Inst, relative to the alteration in the train service, and drawing attention to the fact that there has been no reduction in the number of trains carrying passengers on the Newross Section of the line.
No Order Made.

Letter from Local Government Board No 57,650: 1908, dated 23rd October 1908, stating in reference to the proposed appointment of Mr James Shortall as Town Surveyor of Newross Urban District, that no evidence has been produced to the Board to show that Mr Shortall is competent to carry out the prescribed duties of Town Surveyor, and the Council should therefore proceed to make a new appointment and select a qualified man who can produce evidence that he is competent to perform all the duties pertaining to the Office.
Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy "That the Local Government Board be asked again to kindly sanction the appointment of Mr Shortall as Town Surveyor, as the Council are of Opinion that he is competent to discharge the duties of Town Surveyor for this Urban District

Passed Unanimously

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Letter from Local Government Board, dated 23rd October 1908, ho58,465 forwarding a copy of the Report of their Auditor on his Audit of the Accounts of the Council for Year ended 31st March 1908, together with a certified copy of the Abstract of Accounts as follows :-

ho 58,465/1908

New Ross
19th October 1908

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to report that I have audited the accounts of the New Ross Urban District for the financial year ended 31st March 1908, and I beg to transmit herewith two copies of the Abstracts duly certified.

The rates levied for the period amounted to 6/10 in the £, of which 2/10 was raised in respect of Poor Rate, the Collector's Warrants were closed showing a small amount of Urban Rate carried forward.

In some instances the Arrears of rents of Artizans Dwellings and other property are much too high and a great deal of work in connection with this Collection has devolved upon the Town Clerk which should have been avoided had the Collector promptly taken the necessary steps to enforce payment. The Collector must understand that it devolves upon him to insist upon these weekly rents being promptly paid as they become due and that he should undertake all the necessary duties of his Collection.

A loan of £11,000 was received in respect of the Construction of a water supply for the town, the accounts in therewith have much increased the volume of work and it is satisfactory to find that these, as well as the general receipts and expenditure of the Council have been prepared and submitted for Audit by the Town Clerk in a Commendable manner

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen
Your Obedient Servant
J. A Baker

A certified Copy of the Abstract of accounts was also received

Ordered

That Notice of Completion of Audit be advertised in "the Echo".

A copy of his report on his Audit of the Accounts of the Technical Instruction Committee for same period was received. In it he reported that the accounts

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Were carefully prepared for Audit.
No Order Made, the report being considered very satisfactory

Letter from Manager of Newross Gas Co stating that the Company intends opening Street for the purpose of repairing supply pipe of Low Castle South St.
No Order Made.

An application was received from the Clerk for an increase of £5 in his Salary, and on the Proposal of Mr O'Sullivan Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy it was Ordered that the Consideration of it be adjourned to Next Meeting, the Members of the Council to be Noteded to attend Next Meeting to Consider same.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Delaney

That the following be elected Members of the School Attendance Committee for the Urban District for three years commencing 1st January 1909 Viz:-
Very Revd. Dean Kavanagh V.G. P.P.; Revd. Thomas Quigley C.C.
Revd. A Gibson, Messrs John Regan and Wm. J. Williams.
Passed Unanimously

Attention was drawn again to the condition of house occupied by Mrs Malvin Irishtown, and the necessity of having same repaired, and after considerable discussion, during which Mr John Murphy suggested that a special meeting of the Council be held to consider the matter, it was
Ordered
That a Meeting of the Committee who inspected it on
"a former occasion Viz:- Dr Walsh, Messrs Hill, John Murphy, and
"Roche, be held on following day at 11 O'Clock, and that Mr
"James Connolly be invited to meet them, and discuss with the
"Committee, the possibility of having it repaired with Gravel Patent
"roofing, or for a less sum than that already Estimated by Mr Connolly."

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Tenders for the supply of two doz of brushes, were received from Mrs Hennessy, and Messrs Matthew Hutchinson and Dwyer Bros. Samples were also submitted, and examined by the Members, when it was agreed to accept the proposal of Mr Hutchinson to supply one doz of fine brushes, No 9, at 18/9 per doz; and of Mrs Hennessy to supply one doz, Coarse do, marked letter "S", at 19/= per doz.

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Peter Murphy

That the Water rent and Traders Rate or Rent book, for Collection of same for financial year ending 31st March 1909 be signed by the Presiding Chairman and two members of the Council, and sealed and Countersigned by the Clerk

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the water rent Book was duly signed and sealed.

Mr John Murphy drew attention to the necessity which exists for a channel at the Councils new houses in William St, and the matter was referred to the next meeting of the Street Committee.

It was Ordered that the temporary man, appointed at a previous meeting of the Council be now employed at the usual Salary of 18/= per week.

A letter was received from the Secretary of the Irish Industrial Development Association pointing out that a special Committee had been appointed for the purpose of furthering the Interests of Ireland in Connection with the Patents and Designs Act (1907). by assisting the Development Association, and Municipal Authorities in Ireland with such information as it can obtain about firms abroad who are likely to be interested in, or affected by the Patents Act.

The following were Unanimously appointed a Committee to consider the letter, and enclosures which accompanied it Viz:- Messrs. Peter Murphy John O'Sullivan, John Murphy, Dr Welsh and Joseph Roche, and it was Ordered that a Meeting of the Committee be held on Tuesday Evening Next at 7.30 O'Clock.

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In accordance with notice of motion Mr Roche proposed "That the cattle weighing machine at Inishtown be sold"
The proposal was not seconded and the matter dropped.

A representative of the Minimax Fire Extinguishing attended the meeting by permission and explained the advantages of a "Minimax" Fire Extinguisher. He intimated his intention of giving a demonstration of its power in Mr Ashe's yard at John St on following afternoon at 4 O'Clock and it was agreed that as many members of the Council as possible attend same.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 11th November 1908.

John Spears

Monday 2nd November 1908.

Monthly meeting day. No attendance of Members.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 11th November

John Spears

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On Thursday 29th October 1908

A meeting of the Committee appointed to consider best means of having House occupied by Mrs Galavin at Irishtown repaired was held this day at 11 Oclock A.M.

Present Rev Fr John Murphy
Samuel Hill
Dr and Walsh

Mr James Connolly was also present.

The committee discussed the matter very fully and concluded that the cheapest, and best means of repairing roof, will be to have a new wooden roof put on the house, and to have it covered with Graves Patent Roofing. They accordingly directed Mr Connolly to prepare an Estimate, or Tender, for carrying out the work which they agreed to receive from him, — and hold a meeting at 4.30 P.M. same day.

Meantime the Committee inspected gate of yard in Henry St, and agreed to have a new gate, or door made for same. The frame to be of wood covered with corrugated iron, the height of all to be about six feet. They also directed Mr Connolly to send in a tender for this gate.

They also inspected breach in wall at Newtown, but could not decide whether the Council were legally liable for keeping this wall in repair, and they therefore directed the Clerk to ask the Council's Solicitors to advise them as to the liability of the Council in the matter.

When the meeting resumed in the afternoon Mr Connolly submitted a Tender for repairing roof of Mrs Galavin's house by fitting on a wooden one covered with Graves' patent roofing, but the Committee did not consider they had power to accept any Tender, but as the matter was of an urgent nature directed the Clerk to call a special meeting of the Council on as early a date as possible, after which

The meeting adjourned

Samuel Hill

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Friday November 7th 1908

A Special Meeting of the Council called in pursuance of requisition, was held this day at 7.30 O'clock P.M. to consider estimate for repairs to Mrs Galvin's house, and take such action thereon as may be considered desirable; also a letter from Mr Thomas Dunphy complaining of choking of Sewer or drain Trap at entrance to his shop, and give such directions as may be necessary respecting it.

Present Messrs Samuel Hill presiding
Peter Dunphy
Joseph Roche
John Dunphy
David Dunphy
and William McCabe

The requisition upon which the Meeting was convened, was read, as was also the minutes of the Meeting of the Committee appointed to consider best means of repairing Mrs Galvin's house.

Specification and Estimate for the fixing on, and supply of all material, of a wooden roof covered with Graves's Patent Roofing was considered, and after some discussion it was

Proposed by Mr Peter Dunphy and
Seconded by Mr David Dunphy

"That a wooden"
"roof, covered with Graves's Patent roofing be fixed on"
"house belonging to Council occupied by Mrs Galvin at"
"Inishtown"

Passed Unanimously

It was ordered that the Clerk prepare a specification in accordance with the specification, or Tender, received from Mr James Connolly, and which is referred to above, and that Tenders be invited for carrying out the work, same to be considered at next meeting of the Council, to be held on the 11th inst. and that it be stated in the advertisement that the work must be carried out to satisfaction of the Council, or a committee appointed by them.

A specification and Tender for erection of new gates to Council's yard in

Henry Street was also received from Mr Connolly, and it was agreed that tenders be invited for the supply, and erection, of a new pair of gates, timber frames, covered with Corrugated iron sheeting, on Council's yard in Henry St. in accordance with the Specification, or specification and Tender, received from Mr Connolly.

The following was considered:-

Rawhos

October 28th 1908

Dear Sirs Trim/

Can nothing be done with the Sewer or grating at our Corner? It is perfectly scandalous, the way we get flooded in the shop every time there is a heavy shower, which you know is too often, and indeed it need not be extra heavy either. We have just now been flooded again. It seems absurd to see the number of times this has been opened to remedy it, and yet there is no improvement, quite the Contrary. Much as we dislike the Opening of this Sewer and so often at the shop door something really ought to be done to put it right once and for all time. I think you will have the matter attended to promptly otherwise I shall have to claim against your Council for damage to goods, and loss to business, as Customers cannot come into the shop for hours while these floods last

Yours faithfully

P. J. Dempsey.

It was stated by a member that the Street inspector informed him that if the Foreman kept the grat clear from sand &c the drain will not get choked. Mr Roche also referred to the fact that Mr Dempsy is in the habit of depositing shop sweepings on the street, instead of having it put in a covered box, and that in all probability same is carried into the Trap and Chokes. Reference to the Street Inspector's Report Book bore out the statement of Mr Roche as to the depositing of shop sweepings on the street, and after a short discussion it was

Ordered

That Mr Dempsy be informed that the Council are of opinion the flooding of the Sewer is largely due to shop sweepings, a great portion of which is swept out of his own shop, finding its way into the sewer and choking it, as a proper Stench Trap has quite recently been fixed there; also that he

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be informed the Council will be Compelled to insist upon all sweepings being deposited in a Covered Dust Bin so that they may be removed by the Council's workmen.

On the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Roche, a Vote of sympathy was passed with the Clerk on the death of his sister, and he having returned thanks -

The meeting terminated

John S Heavey

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Wednesday 11th November 1908

A meeting of The Newtownards Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts connected therewith, and to Consider a letter received from the L.G. Board declining to sanction the appointment of Mr Shortall as Town Surveyor, and requesting the Council to proceed to elect a duly qualified person without further delay; to sign Mortgage Deed for Loan of £1,000; consider application of Clerk for an increase of £25 on his Salary; also advisability of purchasing one or more Minimax Fire Extinguishers, and Consider Tenders for repairs to house occupied by Mrs Salaries; and for erection of gates to Councils Yard in Henry St.

Present Messrs John L Kearns J.P. Chairman presiding
William Mc Cabe
John Cockrill
Samuel Hill
Joseph Roche
Peter Murphy
Patrick J Delaney
William G Williams
John Murphy
John O'Sullivan
Dr and Walsh

The Minutes of last meeting were read & signed

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs John O'Sullivan, and John Cockrill and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 112	Patrick Redmond	£4-6-8
" 113	Lane	4-6-8
" 114	John Tobin	12-10-0
" 115	Helps Ltd	2-0-5
" 116	A H Tyndall	5-10-0
" 117	Dr O'Connor	8-11-6
" 118	Mc Firm	8-6-8

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New Ross Wednesday, 11th November 1908 (5 minutes late)

No 119	The Manager "The Echo"		12.0
" 120	"	W. & J. Hartrick	4.6
" 121	"	Secretary School attendance Committee	7. 14.0
" 122	"	D. Hickey	7. 10.0
" 123	"	John J. Browne	8. 11.7
" 124	"	Shaw Mason & Co	2. 2.5
" 125	"	D. Flynn	16.0.6

A Tender, dated 11th November, was received from Daniel Evoy North St, offering to carry out, and complete the work of repairing house occupied by Mrs Galavin, Irishtown, and erect pair of gates on Henry St Yard according to the specification, and accept all responsibility for the sum of £28.10.0, or if the old slates are to be put on, £25-10-0.

This was the only Tender received.

Proposed by Mr Hill and
Seconded by Mr O'Sullivan

"That the Tender of Daniel Evoy"
"for repairs to house occupied by Mrs Galavin, and"
"erection of gates to Councils yard at Henry St, be accepted,"
"the work to be carried out within six weeks, and he to give"
"security for the carrying out of the work, and to indemnify"
"the Council against liability for any accident that may"
occur during the progress of the work.

Passed Unanimously

It was ordered that New slates be used, and that the work be carried out to the satisfaction of the Council or a Committee appointed by them.

Whilst the meeting was in progress Mr Evoy attended, and offered Mrs Hennessy, and Mr Harrington, both of South St, as sureties, and they were approved of. It was not considered necessary that they should enter into a Bond, their undertaking in writing being deemed sufficient.

An application was received from Edward Broaders for a suit of oilclothes and it was ordered that he be supplied with them.

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A letter was received from the Local Government Board ho 60,705:1908, dated 4th November 1908, acknowledging receipt of the Councils letter of the 29th ult. relative to the Town Surveyorship of Kenross Urban District, and stating that in the absence of any further evidence of Mr Shortalls qualification, the Board see no reason to depart from the view already expressed. The Council should therefore proceed to elect a duly qualified person without further delay.

A letter was also received from Mr Shortall asking the Council to defer the consideration of the letter received from the L.G. Board, so that he might be enabled to produce further testimony of his qualification for the position.

Mr Shortall on being called before the members stated that he only required until the next meeting to produce the testimony referred to in his letter.

It was accordingly unanimously :-

Ordered

That the consideration of the letter received from the Local Government Board be adjourned to next meeting of the Council.

A letter was received from Hugh. N. Hamilton Esq J.P. dated 2nd November intimating to the Council that Colonel Tottenham, representing the heirs of Gregory, has elected John Dean Esq J.P. as Master of Trinity Hospital

No Order Made

The Secretary and Manager of The Kenross Gas Co wrote stating that the Co intended opening the road in Bridge st for the purpose of cleaning gas supply pipe, upon which there was no order made.

The General Accident Fire & Life Assurance Corporation Ltd Notified that the renewal premium on Mr Barrons Bond fell due on the 8th inst and should be paid within fourteen days from that date,

The Clerk stated that he had drawn Mr Barrons attention to the matter, and it was Ordered that the receipt for the premium be produced at next meeting of the Council

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Quotations were received from Mr Charles P. Pewtress, agent for the Sale of the Minimax Fire Extinguisher in the County of Wexford, as follows £3.5.0 "B", 1 extra refill
£4.4.0 F " 4 " " .

The last, or Fire Brigade Apparatus is exceptional good Value having an inner Mechanism of an "A" Tube permitting it to be worked through a window immediately downwards. It has also a three way stop Cock permitting of a Spray or Jet which can be turned off at pleasure.

A wire was also received from him, which was handed in at Clapham, London stating that he was unable to attend the meeting through illness.

Ordered

That the consideration of the advisability of purchasing a Minimax Fire Extinguisher be referred to the Water Committee for report.

Myles Breen, Henry Street, applied for the tenancy of the first Vacant house belonging to the Council but as there was no house Vacant at present, nor likely to be in the near future, there was no Order made upon it.

A Circular letter was again received from The Parnell Memorial Committee soliciting subscriptions to enable the Committee to Complete the Erection of the Memorial but there was no definite action taken respecting it.

A letter was received from Mr James Hogan South St, dated 9th inst stating that Joshua Allen is discharged from his employment and that he will not be responsible, or go bail for the payment of his rent in future.

Ordered

That Mr Hogan be informed Joshua Allen will be required to provide another Surety and enter into another Bond forthwith, and that when this is done he will be released from all liability under his Bond. Meantime, of Course, they must hold him responsible

It was also ordered that Joshua Allen be required to enter into a new Bond failing which immediate proceedings be taken to obtain possession of the house occupied by him.

The Finance Committee recommended payment of the Accounts as entered at the Commencement of the Minutes, and also that payment of Certificates, received from Mr Perfect, be deferred until the first instalment of the loan be received.

On the proposal of Mr Hill, seconded by Mr John Murphy, the recommendation of the Committee was unanimously adopted, and the payments Ordered to be made.

A letter was received from Messrs G R Speaker & Co drawing attention to the superiority of "Eternit" Slates for roofing, which are considerably cheaper than ordinary slates, but there was no Order made respecting them beyond directing the Clerk to bring them under the Notice of the Council whenever they will be undertaking any building.

A Receivable Order for £25-2-8, received from Irish Land Commission being Interest on Purchase Money in Lieu of Rent, of Messrs Thorpe and Delaney, was Ordered to be lodged to the Credit of the Council.

The Rent Collector reported that a number of weekly tenants owed over four weeks rent, and the Clerk was ordered to request immediate payment from the Sureties of the particular tenants.

It was also Ordered that the Council's Solicitors take proceedings against James Bailey for £1-18-6 being Amount of weekly rent due for Meat Stall in Shambles rented to him for storing Offal in, at a weekly rent of 1/-; and that John Redmond, Carpenter, Irishtown, be asked to State what he will charge for carrying out the necessary repairs on house occupied by Mrs Hanlon Wm St; also that the Foreman get the eave shutes on the Council's houses cleaned.

The Street Inspector reported that on some days within the past fortnight Mr Dunphy's Apprentice swept out Shop sweepings into the Channel at Quay St; some of the streets are in a dirty Condition.

The granite at bottom of Sugar House Lane requires to be re-set, as also a broken

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flag in footpath near boat house Roberson. The footpath at entrance to Brennans Lane is also in a very bad condition.

The Clerk explained that at the Special Meeting held on Friday evening, it was Ordered that Mr Dunphy be informed the Council will have to take proceedings against him if he permits shop sweepings to be deposited in the Channel; since then there is to report that the Order of the Council is not Complied with.

Ordered That the attention of the Council be again directed to the necessary repairs to footpath, as soon as Surveyor is appointed.

It was also Ordered that the attention of householders be directed to the Order of the Council requiring shop sweepings to be deposited in covered bins or boxes.

The application of the Clerk for an increase of £25 per annum in his salary was next considered, and after some discussion it was Proposed by Mr John Murphy and Seconded by Mr Hill

"That the Salary of the Clerk be"
"increased by £20 per year"

On the resolution been put to the meeting there Voted :—
For :— Messrs Peter Murphy, Cockrill, John Murphy, Mc Cabe, Hill, Mr Walsh, O'Sullivan, Williams, and the Chairman 9
Against :— Messrs Delaney & Roche 2
Majority in favour of resolution 7

The Chairman declared the resolution "Passed" and—

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 25th November 1908

Walsh

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Wednesday 25th November 1908

A Meeting of The Newross Urban District Council was to be held this day at 7.30 Oclock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Present Meefrs William G. Williams
Joseph Roche
and
James O'Hearn

A Quorum not having assembled it was agreed to adjourn the Meeting to 6 Oblock P.M. on the following day as owing to the retreat which is being conducted in the Augustinian Church this week, the exercises of which Commence at 7.30, this was considered the most suitable hour. Accordingly

The Meeting adjourned to Thursday 26th November 1908

W. G.

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Thursday 26th November 1908.

An adjourned meeting of The Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 6 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith.

Present Dr. Michael Walsh presiding
Messrs James R. Hearn
Peter Dwyer
and
Patrick Dunphy

The Minutes of previous meeting were signed

The Treasurer's authority for making payments was signed by The Chairman, and Messrs Peter Dwyer and Patrick Dunphy, and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 126 - Petty Cash £20.8.0

Correspondence

Letter from Dr James J Shortall dated 25th Inst enclosing letters received by him from the County Surveyor, Dr Webster, the Assistant County Surveyor for this District, Dr Jones, and Messrs W & H Hartrick New Ross, all of whom stated that they considered him thoroughly competent to discharge the duties of Town Surveyor for the Urban District of New Ross.

Proposed by Dr Dunphy and
Seconded by Dr Dwyer

"That these letters be forwarded"
"to the Local Government Board, and that they be requested"
"to sanction the appointment of Dr Shortall to the position of"
"Town Surveyor.

Passed Unanimously

Applications were received from Messrs Matthew Hutchinson, and John Doyle North St; Patrick Hunt Quay, and Mrs Hennessy South St, to have their respective premises registered for the Sale of Fused explosives

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under The Explosives Act 1875, and from Messrs McHearn & Son, and John Doyle Lucy, to have the registration of those premises renewed for the sale of Mixed Explosives, and on the proposal of Mr Murphy seconded by Mr Hearn the first mentioned premises were registered for the sale of Mixed explosives, and the registration of the other two for the same purpose renewed.

An application was received from Mrs Donovan Fair Gate, for a new range, but the consideration of the necessity of it was deferred.

Letter from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland inquiring what action had been taken by the Council respecting the Bee Pest Prevention (Ireland) Act 1908, and the Clerk stated that he had referred the Department to the previous order of the Council declining to pass a resolution, expressing their willingness generally, to compensate owners of bees for any that might be destroyed under the provisions of the Act, and the action of the Clerk was approved of.

A proposal was received from Miss Drake for the tenancy of the Cattle weighing Machine at a rent of 3/= per month, and it was

Ordered

That the proposal of Miss Drake be accepted, the tenancy to commence on Monday, 30th November 1908.

Messrs Wolfe & Gettins wrote under date 18th Novr 1908, that they had applied to Mr James Bailey for payment of the rent due by following Saturday, failing which they will take proceedings for its recovery.

A second letter dated, 26th Novr '08, was received from them informing the Council that they had issued a Petty Sessions process against Mr Bailey for recovery of £1-19-6 rent and arrears due to the 16th November, and requesting the attendance of the Collector at Petty Sessions to prove the amount due.

Ordered

That the Collector be directed to attend court, as requested by the Council's Solicitors.

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The Clerk stated that Joshua Allen had not offered any surety instead of Mr James Hogan who had withdrawn, and it would be necessary that notice to Quit be signed and sealed at this meeting, as it was ordered at the last that proceedings be taken to obtain possession of the house if surety is not given for the payment of the rent. Accordingly it was:-

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Hearn

That Notice to Quit in the case of the Council against Joshua Allen for possession of house and premises situate at Ballawn Newtown be signed by the Presiding Chairman, and two members of the Council, and sealed and countersigned by the Clerk.

Passed Unanimously

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the Notice to Quit was duly signed and sealed.

On the proposal of Mr Murphy seconded by Mr Dunphy it was Ordered that a new hearth rug be purchased for use in the Office.

Mr Hearn suggested, for the consideration of the Council, the advisability of selling the house occupied by Mrs Galavin, before the contract already entered into with Dan Evoy for repairing it be carried out, and stated that Evoy had informed him he would be prepared to make an offer for it. It was eventually agreed that the Members be summoned to consider the matter at Next Meeting, provided that in the meantime Evoy gives the Council an undertaking in writing that he is willing to release them from the Contract so that the may be enabled to consider the advisability of disposing of their interest in the house should they so decide.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 9th December 1908

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Tuesday, 1st December 1908

A Special meeting of the Council, called on requisition, was held this evening at 7.30 Oclock P.M, to issue Paying Orders on a/c of Waterworks to Engineer and Contractor, the first Instalment of the supplemental loan having been received.

Present Messrs John O'Sullivan presiding
Peter Murphy
David Murphy
William and Mc. Cabe

The Clerk stated on Saturday he received a letter of a somewhat unusual nature from the Contractor asking for payment of the amount Certified, which could not be paid at last meeting of the Council, as an instalment of the loan had not been received.

He consulted with the Chairman who directed him to call a special meeting of the Council to make the payments, allowed at last meeting of the Finance Committee, to the Contractor and the Engineer, the instalment of the loan having been received in the meantime, and also to obtain the approval of the L.G. Board to the payment of the amounts a special meeting.

The letter referred to from the Contractor was read, as was also a telegram from the Local Board stating that the Board will raise no objection to the Council dealing with the payments at the special meeting.

Proposed by Mr. Mc. Cabe and
Seconded by Mr. Peter Murphy

"That the amounts certified"
"by the Engineer Viz:- £382, and £18, be paid to the Contractor,"
"and that £100 be paid to the Engineer on account of his fees."

Passed Unanimously

The Treasurer's Authority for making the payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Wm. Mc. Cabe and Peter Murphy, after which,

The Meeting adjourned.

J. O'S.

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Monday, 7th" December 1908.

Monthly meeting day

No attendance of members.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 9th" Decr.

Wm Geo Williams

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Wednesday 9th December 1908

A meeting of The Newtown Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith; consider advisability of selling house at Irishtown occupied by Mrs Galavin; also tenders for keeping Town Clock in repair, and dividing it for five years from 9th December; and a resolution received from the Waterford County Council protesting against the excessive cost of the proposed New bridge at Waterford.

Present Messrs Wm G. Williams Vice Chairman presiding
John O'Sullivan
Wm Jno Cahe
John Murphy
James O'Meara
Joseph Roche

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and Joseph Roche and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

130 —	Moran Bros	£ 8-17-4
131 —	John Browne	6-1-10
132 —	Treasurer Co Council	310-14-0
133 —	Thomas Martin	17-11
134 —	Borough Treasurer Kilkenny	10-9
135 —	Joseph Lynch V.S.	5-0-0
136 —	M Flynn	9-12-4
137 —	Same Petty Cash	15-1-3
138 —	M. A Corcoran	5-0
139 —	Hugh. P. Hamilton Jr.	5-18-6
140 —	Graves & Hoffa	2-5-3
141 —	Richard Murphy	8-15-0
142 —	John Keogh	7-10-0
143 —	John Tobin	3-2-6

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Correspondence

Letter from Daniel Evoy stating that he was willing to give up his Contract for repairs to Mrs Galavin's house provided he will not be at the loss of the frames and sashes.

A short discussion took place as to the advisability of disposing of the house, and it was -

Proposed by Mr O'Sullivan and
Seconded by Mr. Roche.

"That the repairing of the house be proceeded with."

An amendment by Mr John Murphy "That it be offered for sale," was not seconded, and the resolution was declared "Passed Unanimously"

Letter from Local Government Board No 67,602 : 1908, dated 7th Dec. 1908 relative to the appointment of Mr Shortall to the position of Town Surveyor, in which it was stated that with the evidence before them, the Board are not satisfied that Mr. Shortall is competent to discharge efficiently the duties of the position, but in deference to the wishes of the Council they are prepared to sanction his temporary appointment on the condition that he gives an undertaking to attend at an examination to be held by the Board in February next and that he qualifies thereat.

Ordered

That a copy of this letter be sent to Mr Shortall, with a request that he furnish the undertaking referred to by the Local Government Board, copy of same to be forwarded to the Board, and that he then be directed to take up duty as temporary Surveyor.

Letter from Mr James Connolly, dated 30th Nov. 08, stating that he will not be responsible for the payment of Thomas Murphy's rent in future, and it was Ordered that Thomas Murphy be directed to provide another Surety instead of Mr Connolly, and that when the new Surety has entered into the Bond, Mr Connolly is to be released from further liability under his Bond.

Messrs Zimber Bros. tendered to keep the Town Clock in thorough

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repair, and rent it for five years for three pounds ten shillings per annum.

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr J. Hearn "That the tender of Messrs Timber Bros. be accepted"

Passed Unanimously

Letter from Commissioners of National Education, dated 3rd Inst. setting out the names of the School Attendance Committee for the Urban District of Newross for the ensuing three years from 1st January 1909 as follows:-

Appointed by Local Authority

Very Revd. Dean Kavanagh D.D. P.P. Newross
Revd. Thomas Quigley C.C. "
Revd. William Gibson
Messrs John Hegan
and
William G. Williams

Appointed by Commissioners of National Education

Very Revd. Canon Holohan P.P. Rosbercon
Revd. James Brandy C.C.
Messrs John L. Hedus J.P.
Patrick Colgan J.P.
and
Peter Murphy

No Order made.

A proposal was received from Messrs E. Harvey & Co Waterford for the supply of three Poor Rate Books for year 1909-10 at 4½, and it was unanimously accepted, on the proposal of Mr Hearn, seconded by Mr John Murphy.

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51 Lower Sackville St
Dublin 28th November 1908

Major Thomas Edward Harman's Estate
Co Wexford

Dear Sir

An Originating Application has been lodged with the Land Commission, for the sale of the above Estate.

It now becomes necessary to redeem the Rent of £19-7-0 payable to The New Ross Urban District Council.

Kindly let us know, as soon as possible, what price that Council would expect for the redemption of said rent.

Yours faithfully
Little & Cullen

John Browne Esq
Chairman
Urban District Council
New Ross

Ordered

That this letter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report, and that the Members of the Council be summoned to attend Next Meeting to Consider it.

A proposal of 14/- for heap of road scrapings in Rineen Lane, received from Mr John Grace, was unanimously accepted, on the proposal of Mr O'Sullivan seconded by Mr Roche.

"The following Copy of a resolution, received from the Wexford County Council, relative to the cost of the proposed New bridge at Waterford, was considered Viz:- "That in view of the excessive cost"
"of the proposed New bridge at Waterford, and the increase"
"of from 8% to 15% of same to be debited to the County Wexford"
"we call the attention of the Public Bodies of the County to the"
"fact that this impost would mean an annual payment of £859"
"(considerably over 1½" in the £ on the valuation of the entire County)"
"or £17,180 for the 20 years repayment of the loan. We request their"

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" co-operation in contesting this unjust assessment.
A brief discussion took place on the reading of this resolution, Mr Hearn being of opinion that the proposed amount (£114,000) was not excessive for a bridge for Waterford.
Eventually, on the proposal of Mr Roche, seconded by Mr Mc. Cabe, a resolution was unanimously passed, protesting against the amount of the proposed cost as being excessive, and directing that a copy of the resolution be sent to the Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant.

A resolution received from the Dermot Urban Council urging the Irish Members of Parliament to oppose the Clause of the Local Government (Amendment) Bill, now before Parliament, which seeks to validate the "Public Bodies Order" made by the Local Government Board in 1904 in excess of their powers, was, on the proposal of Mr Roche, seconded by Mr John Murphy, unanimously adopted, and copies ordered to be sent to the two Members of Parliament for Co Waterford, and the Chairman of the Irish Party.

The Clerk submitted a number of bills, which are entered at the commencement of the minutes, and on the proposal of Mr Roche, seconded by Mr John Murphy they were Ordered to be paid.

The Clerk also reported that he had employed a temporary man at 2/= per day, and Mr Hogan's man and horse temporarily at 3/6 per day, in accordance with the order of the Council, made some time ago, and the direction of the Chairman, after consultation with him, and it was now ordered that same be approved of, the employment to continue until the end of February only.

It was ordered that application be made to Mr James Hogan for payment of £1.-1-4, amount of rent by Joshua Allen, for whom Mr Hogan was surety, up to Monday last, when possession was given up.

It was also ordered that the attention of Messrs Cherry Bros be drawn to the fact that their men have broken the flags of the footpath, outside Mr Phelan's Roberton, by dumping casks on them, and to request them to give instructions to have the practice discontinued.

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Messrs Bolger & Gethin Solicitors wrote under date 7th Ult, in reply to a letter addressed to them by the Council asking if they were liable to repair, and keep in repair the wall of the public road at Newtown. The Solicitors advised, that if the wall is dangerous to the persons using the road, or street, the Council should require the owner to repair the wall within a time specified, failing which it might be repaired by the Council and the cost recovered from the owner.

After some discussion, during which Mr Hearn expressed the opinion that the wall was, in all probability, built by the Grand Jury, when the road was made, and not by the owner of the land, and that consequently it belonged to the Council as successors of the Grand Jury; it was agreed that the Clerk ascertain from the tenders who the owner of the land is, and serve notice on him to repair it, and if he fails to do so that the Clerk be empowered to have it repaired so as to prevent the danger of an accident occurring.

It was also ordered that Messrs Bolger Bros be informed the cement, which they put on the wall of the stairs, under their contract for painting and repairing of School, is falling off, and that the Council is very much surprised it is giving way so soon.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 23rd December 1908

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Wednesday, 23rd. December 1908

A meeting of The Newbliss Urban District Council was held this day at 4. to 0 Block P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, consider and decide upon amount to be charged for the redemption of the rent of £19-7-0, payable out of the estate of Major Harman, the sale of which is about to take place.

Present Dr. Michael Walsh presiding
Joseph Roche
Patrick Dunphy
William McCabe
and
John Dunphy

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payment was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Patrick Dunphy & John Dunphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued

No 144 - Petty Cash £18-5-11

Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board No 73292. 1908, dated 17th December 1908, approving of the temporary appointment of Mr James J. Shortall as Town Surveyor at a Salary of £1 per week, and stating that they will communicate later with him as to the date of examination into his qualifications for the office of permanent Town Surveyor.

No Order Made

Letter from the Secretary Technical Instruction Committee forwarding Plan of proposed Technical Institute for Newbliss for approval of Council, the estimated cost of which will be within £600

Ordered

That the Members of the Council be summoned to attend Next Meeting of the Council to consider Plan of proposed Institute with a view to its approval, and that the Local Government Board be informed of the intention of the Council to build a Technical School for the Urban District, and that formal

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application be made for sanction to the loan, if same is necessary.

Letter from Messrs Bolger & Son, dated 11th Inst. in reply to one addressed to them, conveying the surprise of the Council that the cement should be falling off the wall of House so soon after it was painted; and stating that in their opinion the falling off of the plastering is due to a leak which exists and has done so for a longtime in the interior of the building. If the Council think well of having the plastering re-done they will paint same without any charge, but without any prejudice to their former contract.

Ordered

That the Surveyor examine the roof, and ascertain if a leak exists now, and that as soon as the weather is suitable he get the wall cemented with best Cane Cement. also that the thanks of the Council be conveyed to Mr Bolger for his kind offer to re-paint the wall, which will be availed of as soon as the weather is suitable to have the work carried out.

A letter received from Mr Laughrke, Solicitor, dated 19th Decr., in which he made formal application for 11/-, Income Tax on rent paid by Mrs Carr out of the bacon factory, was reffered to the Finance Committee.

The Manager, "The Contracts Gazette", wrote asking for an order to insert the advertisement of the Laying of the pipe on the river bed, but the Meeting was of opinion that as it was inserted in three other papers there was no necessity for its insertion in another.

An application was received from the Hibernian Fire Insurance Co asking for a transfer of the Councils Fire Insurances but as the matter will come before the Council again before the present Insurance expires there was no order made upon it.

A circular letter was received from the Local Government Board drawing attention to the establishment of the Carnegie Hero Fund, but there was no order made upon it.

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Mr Michael Curran Dullaun wrote under date 10th Inst. complaining that the roof of his house was very bad, and the rain coming down, and it was Ordered that the Surveyor inspect, and report to next meeting, what repairs are necessary upon it

It was ordered also that he furnish an estimate of the cost of putting house lately occupied by Mrs Cullen or Dullaun into a proper state of repair.

A letter was received from the Postmaster General in reply to a resolution passed by the Council, relative to the proposed alteration in the status of the New Ross Post Office, stating that he has made enquiry into the matter, but finds that, owing to the amount of work transacted there it would not be expedient to make any change.
No Order made.

A copy of the letter was also received from Peter French Esq M.P, Walter Kavanagh M.P in reply to copies of the same resolution which had been forwarded to them.

A letter was received from Messrs P. J. O'Flaherty & Sons, Solicitors in reply to one addressed to them, drawing attention to a breach in the wall at Newtown, on the Cliffe estate, for which they are Agents, asking for the name of the tenant, and the Clerk stated he had given the required information and this was approved of.

A tender was received from Messrs R Harvey Sons for the supply of two Town Rate Books at 15/= each, and, on the proposal of Mr Roche, seconded by Mr John Murphy it was unanimously accepted.

An acknowledgement of the resolution passed by the Council at last meeting in reference to the excessive cost of the proposed new bridge at Waterford was received from the Under Secretary, Dublin Castle.

A letter was read from the Town Surveyor, dated 11th Inst. undertaking to comply with the requirements of the Local Government Board to present himself for examination on a future date, to be fixed by them.
No Order made

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Town Surveyor's Reports

The Surveyor reported that owing to the soft state of the weather the men had been principally engaged in sweeping, but a considerable quantity of Metalling had been spread.

If some clear sand was used as a binding for the fresh Metalling instead of the road scrapings it would be infinitely better.

The upper surface Trap on the New concrete Channel in Robert St cannot be opened.

The roof of Mrs Galavin's house is now stripped, but the East wall would require to be practically re-built at a probable cost of £9-10-0. The west end of gable is in an unsafe condition also.

The proposed drainage of houses in Robert St is feasible at a moderate cost.

Ordered

That John Keogh be directed to repair grate in Robert St.

That Dan Croy be directed to proceed with the repairs to Mrs Galavin's house in accordance with his contract.

After some discussion it was agreed to confine the spreading of the mud to the margin of the freshly spread Metalling to prevent it from rolling around the street.

The Street Inspector reported that on nearly every day for the past fortnight he found the streets and lanes dirty.

The are some dangerous ruts in Wexford St which require to be filled and the footpath requires to be cleansed.

Water lodges at the entrance to yard of John Connors Priory St.

Two extra men will be required to clear the manure yard which is in a bad state

Ordered

That two men be employed by the Clerk for a few days to clear the manure yard, and that the Council's employees be directed to carry out the usual cleansing of streets &c, for which they are to be allowed 5/- each.

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It was stated that Wexford Street was repaired and the footpath cleaned; also that there was gravel spread at the entrance to Mr Connor's yard, and this was considered satisfactory.

For the reason stated on the Sanitary Minutes:-

The Meeting adjourned to Monday 4th January 1908.

John S Hearn

Monday, 4th January 1909

A monthly meeting of the Council was to be held this day at 12 O'Clock, noon, to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement Ireland Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith

No Member of the Council attended, and there was consequently no Meeting held at this hour, but at 4.30 the Members assembled, when a Meeting was held the Minutes of which are entered on next page.

John S Hearn

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Monday January 4th 1909

An adjourned and monthly meeting of the Council was held this day at 4.30 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts incorporated therewith, consider Plan of New Technical School with a view to approval of same, take the necessary steps to perfect lease of site, and obtain the necessary loan to erect the building: also a Notice of Motion by Mr Roche:-

"That the County Council be informed this Council will refuse"
"to pay the demand of the County Council in which the"
"expense of maintaining the public roads is included, until"
"the roads, at least those within a seven miles of New Ross"
"are put in a proper state of repair."

Present Messrs John D'Hearn J.P. presiding
William G. Williams
Joseph Roche
Peter Murphy
John Cockrill
James D'Hearn
and
John O'Sullivan

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs Peter Murphy, and John Cockrill and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 145 — Petty Cash £20-12-7

Correspondence

Letter from Royal Humane Society forwarding "Form of Queries" in reference to case of Young Scanlon and the Clerk was requested to furnish the necessary particulars to the Society

Letter from Messrs P. J. O'Flaherty & Sons, dated 29th December 1908, in reference to breach in wall at Newtown, in which they stated that Mr Cliffe, the Landlord, was not in occupation of the land, of which this is the boundary

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wall, and is not therefore responsible for repairing the wall, and the Council should look to the tenant who is in occupation of the holding.

A brief discussion took place on the matter during which Mr J.R. Hearn contended that, it being the boundary wall of the public road, it was built by the predecessors of the Urban Council as road Authority, and that it was now the duty of the Council to keep the wall in repair, it being situate within the Urban District. With this view the meeting generally agreed, and on the proposal of Mr J. Boleane, seconded by Mr Williams, it was decided that the wall be repaired by the Council.

It was also Ordered that it be inspected on following day at 11 O'clock A.M. by the Street Committee, and Town Surveyor, and that the Committee give the necessary instructions for its repair.

An application was received from James Glynn, the Council's foreman, for a pair of leggins, and it was Ordered that he be supplied with them.

Michael Grace, Ballaun, applied for the tenancy of a house, the property of the Council lately occupied by Joshua Allen, and it was adjourned to next meeting, the Clerk to ascertain some particulars respecting him in the meantime.

The Plan of the new Technical School was next submitted for consideration, and after a short discussion the following resolution, in reference to it was:-

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy Viz:-

"That the Plan for the new"
"Technical School be adopted by this Council, and approved"
"of, and that the necessary steps be taken to obtain the"
"necessary loan which is not to exceed £600 exclusive of"
"Architects Fees"

Passed Unanimously

On the suggestion of Mr Hearn it was ordered that the Town Surveyor attend daily at the Office of the Council at some suitable hour that the Clerk may inform him if there is anything which requires his attention, and receive any instructions necessary.

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for carrying on the business of the Council.

Surveyor's Report

He reported that the repairs in connection with Mrs Galavin's house at Inishtown are progressing favourably.

The probable cost of putting house at Dullaun, lately occupied by Mrs Cullen, in a habitable state would be about £50.

Michael Currans house can be temporarily repaired for about 7/6, but he would suggest the advisability of having the entire roof reconstructed about April or May.

There is no surface grating on a Trap at Jones' Hill, which requires it. He recommended that a brick built Trap be substituted for the present untrapped grating at Rosbercon, complained of by the S. S. Officer.

The breach in the wall at Newtown can be permanently repaired for 55/=

Ordered

That the Surveyor get the slates fixed on the roof of Currans house; and the brick Trap built at Rosbercon, the Clerk to order the necessary materials.

That John Keogh make a new grating for the Trap at Jones' Hill, and repair grating at end of Church Lane.

The Street Inspector reported that, with the exception of one day, he found the several streets and lanes clean.

Attention was drawn to the very dirty and dangerous condition of the footpaths, and it was ordered that "hand bills" be distributed requiring householders to cause the footpath opposite their respective premises to be swept daily, otherwise the Council will have to take proceedings to compel the carrying out of this work.

The Clerk again drew attention to the very dangerous condition of a house in Priory St. at the rere of one adjoining the police barrack, the owner of which cannot be ascertained and suggested that some

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steps be taken respecting it, as the Council might be liable in case an accident happened.
Mr Roche thought he would be able to find out who the owner is by next Meeting and there was no action taken respecting it until then.

It was ordered that the Town Surveyor have a dangerous flag in the footpath in Mary St. and one on the Quay re-set, and that he submit to next Quarterly Meeting of the Council, an estimate of the cost of having the Crossings at Charles St properly re-set.

Mr Roche's Notice of Motion, copy of which is entered at commencement of Minutes, was next proposed by him, seconded by Mr O'Sullivan, and declared "Passed," Mr J Dolan dissenting.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 13th January 1909

John L Hearn

Tuesday, January 5th 1909

A Meeting of the Street Committee was held this day at 10.30 O'Clock A.M. to inspect breach in wall at Newtown, and give the necessary instructions for its repair.

Present Messrs John Murphy
and
William J. Williams

The Town Surveyor was also in attendance

The Committee, accompanied by the Surveyor, proceeded to inspect the breach in the wall, and having done so directed the Surveyor to employ a Mason to build it, and that the necessary material be ordered by the Clerk, after which:-

The Committee adjourned.

John L Hearn

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Wednesday. 13th January 1909

A Meeting of the Water Committee was held this day at 5.30 Oclock to transact business of the Committee, and Consider Draft Bond with Mr Green for repairs to Mains, house Connections &c

Present Messrs John S Stearn J.P.
and
Peter Armitage

The Committee Considered the Conditions of the Draft Bond in detail, and approved of it, subject to the inclusion of a clause holding the Contractor liable for any damage he might do to the pipes in carrying out his Contract

A letter received from the Clerk of the Union asking what the Annual Charge for a supply of water to the Dispensary will be, and when the work may be undertaken was Considered, and it was agreed that the usual Domestic water rate of 1/3 in the £ be charged on the Half Annual Rent in lieu of same on a Valuation, the half Annual Rent being £5-5-0, after which

The Committee adjourned.

John S Stearn

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Wednesday, 13th January 1909.

A meeting of the Finance Committee held this day at 6.30 Oclock P.M. to transact business of the Committee for the stated Finance Meeting of the Council, consider a letter from Messrs Lattey & Reuden, Solicitors asking what price the Council will charge for the redemption of the head rent of £19-7-0, payable to them out of the estate of Major Harman, and also abstract of uncollected Poor Rate.

Present Messrs John S Stearne J.P.
Peter Murphy.

The letter received from Messrs Lattey & Reuden, referred to above, was considered, and the Committee decided to recommend the Council to fix the price at whatever sum will yield the present rent at 3¼%.

A number of bills were submitted by the Clerk, a list of which appears on the report of the Committee entered on the Minutes of the Council Meeting, and payment of them was recommended.

The Abstract of Uncollected Poor Rate for half year ending 30th Sept. 1908, was also considered, and sums amounting to £29-2-5½, recommended to be cancelled, and £1-19-9 carried forward, after which

The Committee adjourned

John S Stearne

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Wednesday January 13th 1909

A Quarterly meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7 o'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898 and amending acts for Quarter ending 31st December 1908

Present Before John L Hearn J.P. Chairman presiding
Patrick J Delaney
John Murphy
Patrick Dunphy
Wm and Mc. Cabe

The minutes of the meeting held for Quarter ending 30th Sept. last were read and Signed.

Town Surveyors Report

The general condition of the streets can scarcely be regarded as satisfactory owing to the inadequate supply of Metalling on hands.

The coming yearly estimate should therefore need to be increased.

Two surface Traps are needed in Priory St. at the entrance to Mrs Jonesboro, and one at the Protestant Church in Roberson.

The Kerbs and flags of the footpaths in the District require to be generally re-set, some of them are dangerous, and I would therefore respectfully request your permission to employ a Mason.

The upper crossing in Charles St requires to be entirely taken up and re-laid on a 3" Concrete bed with present granite kerbing re-dressed, and Centre re-laid with "Parnell" sets. 4" x 2½" provided with suitable fall to Water Tables.

Ordered

That the Surveyor get the flags on Quay, at end of Cook's Lane, and in North St, at entrance to Mrs Dwyer's premises, re-set at once, and for this purpose he be authorised to employ a Mason, the Clerk to Order whatever Materials are necessary for carrying out the work.

It was agreed to defer the re-setting of the other flags until the days get long, say middle of February, the Surveyor to get the work done then, and that the Clerk make inquiries as to the price of Parnell Sets, and report same to the Council,

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with a view to having some def when the Traps get sufficiently long.

Ordered

That the Traps be procured and set a Proxy at and Rodercon.

Proposed by Mr Mc. Cabe and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy

That the report of the Surveyor for Quarter ending 31st December last be adopted.

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting adjourned.

John L Hearn

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Wednesday 13th January 1908

A meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 oclock P.M. to transact business and decide upon amount to be charged for the redemption of the rent of £9-17-0 payable out of the estate of Major Harman.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
John Murphy
Patrick J. Delaney
Patrick Dunphy
William and Mr. Babe

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurer's authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and Patrick Dunphy and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No	146	J. Power & Co	NewRoss	£2-15-11
"	147	James Phelan	Milltown	20-0-0
"	148	Wm. G. Whitney	NewRoss	1-1-6
"	149	E. H. Mayes	"	5-0-0
"	150	J. Harrington	"	1-12-5
"	151	Mrs M. Hennessy	"	19-0
"	152	T. A. Ashe	"	10-0
"	153	M. J. Finn	"	10-0-0
"	154	Do	"	6-5-0
"	155	National Bank Ltd.	"	13-1
"	156	Joseph Freeman	"	12-4
"	157	M. J. Finn	"	9-2-0
"	158	Miss M. Kavanagh	"	1-10-0
"	159	John Redmond	"	19-0
"	160	Dollard Ltd.	Dublin	5-11
"	161	Andrew Cullen	NewRoss	25-18-7
"	162	John Kough	"	5-18-8
"	163	W. & H. Hartrick	"	4-8

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No 164	M. Hutchinson	New Ross	£	3 - 19 - 7
" 165	J. J. Shortall	"		4 - 6 - 8
" 166	Patrick Kelly	"		17 - 8
" 167	J. J. Browne	"		4 - 12 - 2
" 168	Do	"		19 - 6
" 169	Collector of Inland Revenue	Kilkenny		15 - 6

Letter from Local Government Board dated 4th Jany 1909, No 82331 : 1908, acknowledging receipt of the Council's application for sanction to a loan of £500, for the purpose of building a Technical School, and enclosing the Form of application.

It was pointed out that the sum which the Council had already agreed by resolution to borrow, was £600, and it was ordered that the necessary particulars required by the Board be filled up in the application Form as soon as same is obtained from the architect.

Letter from Secretary to Council dated 7th Jany 1909, acknowledging receipt of resolution of Urban Council relative to the condition of the roads.

No Order made

Letter from Elliott-Fisher Company drawing attention to their Book Typewriter and to the great advantage and saving time and labour which can be obtained by using the machine, and it was ordered that the to be asked to quote the price of a machine and furnish some particulars respecting it.

Letter from Mr Hamilton dated 6th Jany 1909, asking to have the proposal for lease of Technical school returned to the office, and he will give instructions to have lease prepared, if he is furnished with correct

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measurements.

Ordered That Mr Hamilton be furnished with the correct measurements as soon as same are ascertained, and that he be asked to furnish a new proposal Form which will be signed on behalf of the Council.

A circular letter was received from the Secretary of the United Irish League, Dublin, asking the Council to appoint delegates to attend the Convention to be held in Dublin on 9th. and 10th. of February, but the appointment was adjourned to next meeting.

Margaret Donovan, Fair Gate, applied for a new range and the matter was referred to the Surveyor to report upon it to next meeting.

Margaret Nolan Tinnakilly, Rosbercon, offered 15/=, for the heap of manure in the pit in the yard on Quay, and it was ordered that she get it, if it is unsold.

Letter from Royal Humane Society dated 12th. Jany 1909, intimating that they do not take up cases of rescue performed by boats.

No order made

The General Accident Assurance Co wrote under date 5th. Jany 1909, intimating to the Council that the premium on the Clerks Bond had not yet been paid, but the latter submitted the official receipt signed by the Company's agent and dated 11th. Dec last.

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Ordered That the Insurance be be informed accordingly.

Poor Rate

The Clerk reported that the amount of Poor Rate collected for half year ending 31st March 1909, to date, was only £195-12-6, whilst the amount of the warrant is £638-11-2.

Ordered That Mr Barron be informed the Council must insist on him proceeding promptly with his collection.

The letter received from Messrs Little & Cullen Solicitors, asking what price the Council would expect for the redemption of the head rent of £19-7-0 payable by Major Harman out of Commons, which had been referred to the Finance Committee was considered, and it was agreed that the recommendation of that Committee be adopted Viz:- That the Council are willing to sell the head rent mentioned for such a sum as will yield at 3¼% the sum which the Council is already in receipt of.

Report of Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee met this day and recommended payment of undermentioned (see list at commencement of minutes).

Signed John S. Hearn
Peter Murphy

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Dunphy That the report of the

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Finance Committee be adopted and the payments recommended by them be made; also that sums of outstanding Poor Rate for half year ending 30th Sept last amounting to £29-2-5 be cancelled, and £1-19-9 carried forward; also that the Council accept for the redemption of the head rent of £19-7-0, payable by Major Harman, such a sum as will produce at 3¼% the present rent.

Passed Unanimously

The Collector reported a number of Tenants who owed arrears of rent, and it was ordered that application be made to their sureties for payment of the arrears, and they be informed that if same is not paid promptly proceedings will be taken for recovery of it, and also for possession of the houses.

Surveyor's Report

The repairs to your house in Irishtown are now nearly completed. The breach in the wall at Newtown shall probably be finished by to-morrow, the 14th. The dangerous flag complained of in Albany St, has been permanently reset. The brick-built trap in Rosbercon has # also been carried out to my satisfaction.

The footpath in Albany St, is now safe and the new Rosbercon sewer trap is working satisfactory.

In addition to the items of specification herewith submitted, sanitary accomodation also needs to be provided in Mrs Cullen's house.

The other works to which my attention has been directed shall be attended to as soon as possible.

James J. Shortall
Acting T. S.

a Specification of the repairs necessary to be carried out

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on Mrs Galavan's house was received and its consideration adjourned to next meeting.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 27th January 1908

John L Kearn

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Friday 15th January 1909

The Polling for the Election of four Urban District Councillors for the NewRoss Ward in place of Messrs David Murphy, Wm Ly. Williams, Patrick Dunphy, and Samuel Hill, who retired by rotation, and also the election of one for the Rosbercon Ward in place of Mr John Murphy, took place to-day. The following were duly nominated Viz:- Hugh R. Hamilton J.P. Priory St, David Murphy Quay St, Wm Ly. Williams Quay St, and Patrick Dunphy North St, John Meehan and John Fanning for NewRoss Ward, and Messrs John Murphy John St, and John Hand for Rosbercon Ward.

The poll resulted as follows:-

NewRoss Ward

Hugh R. Hamilton J.P.	393	votes
David Murphy	347	"
John Meehan	321	"
John Fanning	270	"
Wm Ly. Williams	241	"
Patrick Dunphy	241	"

Rosbercon Ward

John Murphy	29	"
John Hand	18	"

The Returning officer declared Messrs Hugh R. Hamilton J.P. David Murphy, John Meehan and John Fanning duly elected councillors for the NewRoss Ward, and Mr John Murphy for the Rosbercon Ward.

P. Flynn
Returning Officer.

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Saturday 23rd January 1909

The Annual meeting of the Council was held this day at 12 O'Clock noon, to elect a Chairman, and if deemed advisable, a Vice-Chairman.

Present Messrs John Stears J.P. Chairman
Joseph Rocke
Patrick Delaney
John Sheehan
John Fanning
John Murphy
John Cockrill
David Murphy
Peter Murphy

Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy "That Mr John Stears J.P."
"be re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year."
Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Delaney "That Mr John Murphy
be elected Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year
Passed Unanimously

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman having thanked the members,

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 27th January 1909

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Wednesday 27th January 1909 a meeting of the NewRoss Urban District Council was held this day at 7·30 oclock P. M. to transact business and decide upon amount to be charged for the redemption of the rent of £9-17-0 payable out of the estate of Major Harman, elect the various committees for the ensuing year, and appoint delegates to the National Convention.

Present Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman
Peter Murphy
John Murphy
John Cockrill
Joseph Roche
John Fanning
and
James G. Dooley

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

The Treasurers Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Peter Murphy and Joseph Roche and the following Paying Order directed to be issued Viz:-

No 170 M. J. Finn (Petty Cash) £21-6-1

Correspondence

A letter was received from Local Government Board No 6823: 1909 dated 13th Inst, enclosing one addressed to the Town Surveyor intimating to him that an examination of candidates nominated for existing vacancies in the position of Town Surveyor will be held at the Custom House, Dublin, on 17th & 18th Feby 1909, at 10·30 oclock a.m. and requesting his attendance at the examination in accordance with his letter to the Urban Council dated 11th Ult.

No Order made

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a circular letter, dated 19th Inst. was also received from the Board, enclosing a sealed order fixing the fee for auditing the accounts of the Council for year ending 31st March last at £6-6-0 and it was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr Cullen applied for permission to erect a hoarding in John St, at Endowed schools and it was granted.

Mr Barron wrote that he had been appointed agent for the Hibernian Fire and General Insurance Co Ltd, but there was no order made for the present, it being the intention of the Council to consider the advisability of Transferring their Insurances when the next premiums become due.

A quotation was received from Messrs W. & T. Avery Ltd for repairing weighing machine on the Quay amounting to £3-10-0, the Council to supply unskilled labour if necessary, but this was considered much too high and it was:-

Ordered That Mr Jonas Hartrick be employed to repair the machine.

Letter from Messrs Little & Cullen Solicitors, Dublin, stating that they had submitted the Councils offer for the redemption of the head rent payable out of Major Harmans estate to their client, and on receiving his instructions they will write again.

No order made

A Paying Order for £6-14-4 was received from the Land Commission for interest in Lieu of rent and it was ordered to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

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87 Quay,
Waterford, Jan 22nd 1909.

Dear Sir,

As Architect to the proposed Technical Institute New Ross, I herewith send you corrected Specification, this accompanies the certified copy of Plan which Mr E. Long, Secretary of Technical Instruction Committee will give you.

The total area of site required, frontage to Mary St, 66 feet, and 100 feet to Church Lane, I have not sufficient capital to build the back boundary walls.

The estimated cost of building would be about £600, which will not include the heating system & all the internal plumbing.

I am Dear Sir,
Yours respectfully
A. O. M. Lovell.

M. J. Flinn Esq

The Specification referred to in the letter was received.

A discussion took place in reference to the number of years in which the loan, amounting to £600, agreed to be borrowed, should be borrowed for. It was stated that the Department had agreed to give an annual grant of £50 to repay the principal and Interest, but the Clerk reminded the meeting that there was no direct undertaking in writing, or otherwise, given by the Department to the Council on this point. Eventually it was decided to defer the further consideration of the matter until next meeting, as the Chairman stated that the principal ~~and~~ teacher here and himself were to have an interview with the officials of the Department, on an early date in reference to another matter, and he undertook to bring the question of the

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annual contribution under their notice and if possible obtain a definite undertaking in writing, as the annual amount and duration of the grant.

In reply to the Chairman the Clerk stated that Collector Barron had lodged only £42-5-3 of Poor Rate since last meeting, making the total lodged to date, for half year, £237-17-9 out of a total of £639-0-2½, the balance still outstanding being £401-2-5.

Ordered That Mr Barron's attention be again directed to the Very larg amount of Poor Rate still outstanding and that he be requested to take the necessary steps to have it collected promptly, so as to enable the Council to meet the Demand of the Co Council.

The Clerk also reported that the amount of Town and Domestic Water Rate outstanding at date is £647-4-0, and it was ordered that Collector Browne be also directed to proceed with his collection more expeditionsly.

Surveyor's Report

I beg leave to report the defective traps in Mary St and William St, have been repaired. a public sewer at the bridge was opened & cleaned of internal obstructions.

The holes complained of on Quay ~~St~~ at Mr Ashe's house have been temporarily repaired.

It would be advisable to have sets and kerbing for the Charles St and other crossings procured now. Those on hands are of variable dimensions. The footpath on Quay at end of Cook's Lane, has been repaired as directed.

Mrs Galavan's house is now completed according

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to contract. I had zinc flashings put on three chimneys. I understand they were not specified for. There will be no extra charge for this. The North chimney is dangerous & needs to be rebuilt and the front portion of the roof requires general repairs. The extra cost for both items would be about 25/=.

The wall at Newtown has been repaired at an approximate cost of 51/=.

The range in Mrs Donovan's house Folly House Lane, is useless. a new one of similar dimensions can be procured for 25/=.

The dangerous flag at Mr Dwyer's in North St has been replaced and is now safe.

Your obedient Servant,
J. J. Shortall.
acting Town Surveyor.

It was agreed that members of the Committee, who inspected the breach in the wall and Mrs Galavan's house, and who are members of the Council, inspect it and Mrs Galavin's house again.

Ordered That the Clerk ascertain the price of setts for street crossings

The Street Inspector reported that on each day since last meeting he found the several streets and lanes clean. a heap of mud has been swept into the water channel opposite the Railway Co's premises by one of their servants.

There are two heaps of manure in yard ready for sale.

Ordered - That the Railway Co be requested to

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remove the heap of mud referred to.

That the two heaps of manure be advertised for sale.

Mr Fanning drew attention to the neglected condition of the Streets in the upper portion of the Town, such as Neville St, Bewley St, &c, and it was ordered that the attention of the Foreman be directed to their condition, and that a meeting of the Street Committee be also held on an early date to consider matters in connection with the maintenence &c of the streets.

The consideration of appointing delegates to attend the National Convention was next taken up, amongst those proposed was the Chairman, Mr Fanning, Mr Peter Murphy, &c, but as no number would consent to attend, owing to the date clashing with the fair of Newross, there was no appointment made, and the matter fell through.

It was agreed to defer the consideration of the Specification and Estimate for repairs to house lately occupied by Mrs Cullen Bullawn, for the present.

Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Joseph Roche

That the Street Committee consist of the following members for the ensuing year Viz:- Messrs Patrick J. Delaney, John Murphy, John Cockrill, John O'Sullivan, and James J. Dooley, to members to form a Quorum, and John Murphy, to act as Chairman.

Passed Unanimously

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Proposed by John Murphy and
Seconded by Joseph Roche

That the following be elected members of the Finance Committee for the ensuing year Viz:- David Murphy, Hugh R. Hamilton J.P. Peter Murphy, John S. Hearn J.P. and James B. Hearn.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Joseph Roche and
Seconded by John Fanning

That the following constitute the Technical Instruction Committee for the ensuing year Viz:- (Members of Council) Messrs John S. Hearn J.P. Chairman, Hugh R. Hamilton J.P. John O'Sullivan, John Murphy, James B. Hearn, David Murphy, & Peter Murphy, (non Members of Council) Andrew Cullen, W. G. Williams, Henry Ellis, and Brother Cregan.

Passed Unanimously

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday 10th Feby 1909

Murphy 10.2.09

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Friday. 5th February 1909

A meeting of the Street Committee was to be held this day at 11 Oblock A.M. to transact important business of the Committee; consider advisability of revising present method of street maintenence &c.

Mr John Murphy was the only Member who attended. A Quorum not having assembled, there was no meeting held.

Friday. 5th February 1909.

A meeting of the Committee which was appointed some time ago to inspect Mrs Galavin's house, and report upon the repairs necessary to be carried out upon it, and also to arrange for repairs to Wall at Newtown was held this day at 11.30 Oblock, to inspect the work recently carried out on both these places.

Present - Messrs John Murphy
William McCabe
Dr and Walsh

The Committee proceeded to inspect the wall at Newtown, and expressed satisfaction with the manner in which the repairs were carried out.

They also inspected Mrs Galavin's house and were pleased with the work already done Viz: the new roof which had been put on-. They decided to have the three new windows and frames, already specified and included in contract, fixed, as they were of opinion that the wall was sufficiently sound to enable this to be done.

They also directed the Surveyor, who was present at the inspection, to prepare, by next meeting of the Council, an Estimate and specification of other repairs which they pointed out to him including re-building of Chimney, after which,

The Committee adjourned.

Murphy
10.2.09

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Wednesday. 10th February 1909

A meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts Connected therewith.

Present Messrs John Murphy Vice Chairman presiding
James Bolger
Peter Murphy
Patrick J Delaney
Joseph Roche
John Fanning
and David Murphy

The Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs J Bolger, and Fanning, and the following Paying Orders ordered to be issued Viz:-

171	Charles Greene	£1-0-2
172	Andrew Cullen	2-0-0
178	Technical Instruction Committee	6-15-6
174	John Dolan	12-10-0
175	Do	10-0-0
176	Same	18-19-7
177	John J Browne	8-18-11
178	James J Shortall	3-5-0
179	Secretary School attendance Cte	8-10-1
180	James Connolly	9-0-0
181	Patrick Redmond	4-6-8
182	Same	4-6-8
183	Timber Bros	4-0-0
184	Patrick Carroll	3-0-0
185	New Ross Gas Co	91-14-1
186	Do	26-3-8
187	John De Welsh	5-9
188	Barlock Typewriter Co	13-0

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189— Mrs Williams 8—6
190— Manager Irish Times 17-4
191— Manager Irish Builder 13-0

Correspondence

A Tender was received from Mr Maurice Whelan Aylem for the purchase of two heaps of manure at 15/= and 18/= and it was Ordered to be accepted, and that he also be informed he can have a third heap in the yard at 13/=

A Quotation was received from the Secretary Parnell Quarries Ltd. dated 4th inst. quoting price of Paving Setts at 24/= per Ton carr paid to Newbridge in full truck load, sizes being 6 deep to 6½ x 3 to 3½ and 5 to 7 long also 5 deep to 5¼ x 3 to 3¼ wide and 5 to 8 long.

Ordered

That the Street Committee, and Surveyor inspect the different crossings, and report to the Council the quantity of setts that may be required so that they may be ordered at next Quarterly Meeting of the Council.

A letter was received from the Hon Secretary of the Barrow Drainage Committee enclosing copy of a resolution adopted by that body calling the attention of the Government to the importance, to the people of Ireland, of Arterial Drainage especially of the Barrow District, and asking to have a clause inserted in the Irish Land Bill dealing with the subject

On the proposal of Mr Roche, seconded by Mr Peter Murphy the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Letter from Messrs Cooper Hethin, dated 10th inst. Notifying that Mr Charles Green had signed his Bond, and that his sureties had also signed.

No Order Made.

Mr Williams reported that he was informed a goat was injuring the bark of the trees at Drickstown, and requested the Council to take steps to prevent this.

It was ordered that the Surveyor get some of the paling laths, which had fallen

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away from the trees replaced, and that the owner of the goat be informed she will be prosecuted if the animal is found injuring the trees in future.

A circular letter, dated 28th January 1909, was received from the Revd Michael Murphy C.C. Ferns, Hon Secretary of the County Committee of the Gaelic League, enclosing copies of resolutions in reference to the position of the Irish language in the National University, which were unanimously passed by the County Committee, and asking the Council to adopt them.

After a brief discussion it was agreed to defer the consideration of them to the next meeting, the members of the Council to be summoned to consider them.

A letter was received from the Elliott Fisher Typewriter Co expressing regret that the Council were not prepared to purchase one of their machines.

No Order made.

The Clerk reported that since last meeting, the Chairman of the Council had an interview with some of the officials of the Department at the Dublin office, but he was unable to get an opportunity of introducing the question of the Department giving a written guarantee that they will contribute annually the sum verbally promised towards the re-payment of the loan for the purpose of building a Technical school for the Newross Urban District.

The Meeting decided not to take any further steps in the matter until the Chairman is present.

It was ordered that a new range be ordered, at a cost of about £5/- as estimated by the Surveyor, for house occupied by Mrs Margaret Donovan Fair Gate, the Surveyor to employ a mason and have it set under his supervision; also that he get the door of the weighing machine at Inistown repaired.

The Clerk stated that since last Meeting Mrs Norris Tolly Nook was called to the office and stated she was unable to get some person to sign her bond to enable her to

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become tenant of the house in which she resided, of which her late husband was tenant, but the Meeting decided that it was necessary she should provide surety and become tenant of the house, or give up possession of it, and the Clerk was directed to inform her accordingly.

The Clerk submitted a number of bills, a list of which appears at the Commencement of the Minutes, and reported that payment of them all, except one received from Canon Hoban for use of Rosbercon School for the purpose of taking the Poll on the 15th January, be made. They were of opinion that the Council could not legally pay this latter claim as the Returning Officer is entitled to use the School free of charge for the purpose of taking the Poll.

Proposed by Mr Delaney and
Seconded by Mr J Deane "That the bills now before the Meeting"
"of which payment have been recommended by the Finance Committee"
"be paid

Passed Unanimously

The Town Surveyor reported that the road Metalling is now all spread and the streets generally are still in a state of dis-repair.

The necessary repairs to Mrs Curran's house have been carried out, and some dangerous slates, on the Folly Lane houses, secured at a cost of 7/6.

Three connections have been made with the water main since last Meeting.

The Contractor has been instructed to complete the repairs to Mrs Galavin's house, as directed by the Committee. The estimated cost of the proposed pipe drain in Johnstown is £16-10-0.

Ordered

That the Surveyor submit to next Meeting, a specification & Estimate of the cost of repairs to Chimney & roof of Mrs Galavin's House, as pointed out by Committee

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 24th February 1909.

Jas Murphy

24/2/09

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Thursday 18th February 1909

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held this evening at 4 O'Clock P.M. to transact business and consider matters in connection with the proposed erection of houses under The Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1908.

Present Messrs John S Hearn J.P.
David Murphy
and
Peter Murphy

The committee considered many matters in connection with the scheme, but as they had no definite information as to the actual rate of interest for which money can be borrowed under the Act, they did not come to any definite decision, beyond directing the Clerk to obtain the necessary information as to the rate of interest and other details to enable them to report fully to the Council.

The Meeting adjourned.

Murphy
24/2/09

Thursday 18th February 1909

A meeting of the Street Committee was held this evening at 7.30 O'Clock to transact business in connection with the Scheme for the erection of houses under The Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1908

Present Messrs John Murphy Chairman of the Committee
and
Patrick J. Delaney

The Committee had under consideration the advisability of selecting particular sites suggested, but in the absence of definite information as to the number of houses likely to be built, or as to the terms upon which some of the sites may be obtained, agreed to defer making any report until they obtain further information.

The Meeting adjourned.

Murphy
24/2/09

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Wednesday 24th February 1909

A meeting of the Newbliss Urban District Council was held this day at ½ 3o o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider copy of resolutions received from the Hon Secretary of the County Committee of the Gaelic League relative to the position of the Irish Language in the National University.

Present Messrs John Dempsey Vice-Chairman Presiding
James Dolan
Peter Dempsey
David Dempsey
and
Joseph Roche

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman, and Messrs David Dempsey and J Dolan after the following Paying Order directed to be issued:-

No 192 - Petty Cash £16-10-1

Previous to the minutes of last meeting been signed Mr Roche objected to their accuracy on the ground that they did not contain a record of his objection to the payment of the accounts at it, came not, as alleged by him, having been put properly before the meeting, although they were submitted in the ordinary way with the correspondence, and examined by members of the Council, including himself, after having been previously examined by the Finance Committee, and their payment recommended. He contended that he dissented from the passing of the resolution directing their payment, but the Chairman, who also presided at last meeting, stated that this was not so, and that the resolution was passed unanimously, and he was supported in this view by the Clerk.

The minutes were signed, it having been agreed that a note be made of Mr Roche's objection.

The Annual Demand of the County Council for year ending 31st March 1910, amounting to £1247.-16.-8 was received from the Secretary, and on the proposal of Mr Peter Dempsey it was

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referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report

An application was received from Lawrence Harney for the tenancy of the potato Scales on Quay at the weekly rent of 3d.
He also suggested that it be fixed on a more suitable portion of the Quay, where it would be more convenient to the public.
Proposed by Dr. David Dempsey and
Seconded by Dr. Roche

That Dr Harney's Tender for the tenancy of the potato Scales be accepted.
Passed Unanimously

It was Ordered that the Clerk consult with Dr Harney as to the particular portion of the Quay he considers most suitable, and report on same to next meeting of the Council.

A letter was received from the Gas Co Notifying their intention to Open the ground outside Mrs Byrne's South St. and Dr Rodgers Quay St. but there was no Order made upon it.

The Town Rate Collector reported that he had collected and lodged Rate due by the late Nathaniel Hamond Irishtown from the Poor Collr. Hyett in Solicitors, and as same was cancelled as irrecoverable he asked to be allowed special poundage, but the Meeting declined to comply with his request.

A circular letter was received from the Belfast Corporation, dated 11th Inst. forwarding Copy a resolution, for adoption by the Council, asking to have the Law governing the election of Aldermen, and Councillors in Boroughs, and Urban Districts, and Poor Law Guardians in Ireland, amended, so as to provide that each candidate be required at the time of Nomination to deposit a certain sum of money with the Returning officer, such Sum to be returned in full provided he secures a certain per centage of the entire votes polled at the election, but not otherwise.
Ordered
That the consideration of this resolution be adjourned to next Meeting.

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the Members of the Council to receive Notice of its intended consideration.

The following Copy of a resolution was received from the Wexford County Council Viz:- "That the New Ross Urban Council be informed" "that No amount for maintaining the public roads is included" "in the Demands of the Co Council"

No Order made.

The Hibernian Fire and General Insurance Co Ltd wrote again asking the Council to pass a resolution transferring the Insurance to them. It was agreed to consider the matter previous to the next premium accruing due.

An application was received on behalf of Mrs Mary Ann Butler Michael St, to be recommended by the Council to the Governors of Trinity Hospital for admission to that Institution.

Ordered

That the application be considered with others when a vacancy arises.

A proposal was received from Mr Edward Neville Lawrence, dated 10th Inst, for about One hundred loads of road scrapings at 5 per load, and on the proposal of Mr David Murphy, seconded by Mr J Doheny it was unanimously accepted.

Mrs Norris, Tolly No Lane proposed to become tenant of the house in which she resides, of which her late husband was tenant, and offered James Fleming North St as her surety.

Ordered

That she be accepted as tenant, the usual Bond to be signed by herself and surety.

The Town Surveyor reported that the matters to which his attention was directed at last meeting are being attended to. He directed attention to the necessity of Stench Traps at the places specified in a former report, consideration of which was deferred until the days be sufficiently long. Portion of the flags on the footpath at the further end

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of the Bridge at left side is dangerous to pedestrians. Would respectfully recommend its immediate repair.

The putting in of the new windows in Mrs Galavin's house has been done. The cost of rebuilding the West Chimney, relaying brick barges, pointing and repairing roof, replacing four existing windows by new ones and executing generally the repairs directed by your Committee would probably be about £5-15-0

Ordered

That the consideration of this report be adjourned to next meeting, particulars respecting the Stench Traps referred to, to be furnished to next meeting; also that Mr Evoy be asked to send in a tender for carrying out the work on Mrs Galavin's house as specified.

It was also Ordered that the Clerk write to Cherry Bros. requesting them to have a proper flag set in the footpath at Mr Phelan's, Roberton instead of the one at present there, which was broken by their dray men.

The Street Inspector reported that he found the several streets and lanes of the Town clean each.

He found a man in the employment of Mr Browne, North St, sweeping papers and other refuse out on the streets; the papers blew from the street and some into shops.

There are two heaps of road scrapings at Bunnow Lane and one at Bohereen na Haon ready for sale.

A Collar is required for the Cattle of the watering Car.

Ordered

That Mr Browne be cautioned against allowing papers to be swept out to the streets.

That the road scrapings be advertised for sale, and John Keogh be directed to repair the watering Car.

It was also Ordered that the two temporary men in the employment of the Council be dispensed with and that each get a week's notice on following day.

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"The resolutions received from the County Committee of the Gaelic League, for adoption by the Council, asking to have the Irish Language, and Irish History, essential subjects for Matriculation in the National University were considered, and their adoption proposed by Mr Davis Murphy, Mr J Bolster in a lengthened and forcible speech seconded same. Mr Roche expressed his opposition to their adoption, and on the resolution, proposed by Mr David Murphy, and seconded by Mr Bolster being put to the meeting all the Members present voted for it except Mr Roche, who voted against it and it was declared Passed."

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 10th March 1909.

John S Moore

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2nd Thursday March 4th 1909

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held this day at 5 O'Clock P.M. to transact business in connection with the proposed building of houses under The Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1908; Consider the Clerks Estimate of Poor Rate for Financial year ending 31st March 1910, and if deemed advisable, adopt same.

Present Messrs John S Dean J.P.
Peter Murphy
and
David Murphy

A letter was received from the Local Government Board No 31,871 dated 25th February 1909, intimating that the present rate of Interest on loans to be obtained for the erection of houses under The Housing of Working Classes (Ireland) Acts is 3½%.

The Clerk submitted a statement showing amount due on foot of loans, also the amount payable annually under the new Act on a loan of £3250, being the estimated cost of twenty-five houses, as also the annual income derivable as rent. The Committee considered the statement, and other matters in connection with the proposed building scheme, very fully, and decided to defer taking any definite action until after their next meeting which is to be held on Wednesday, 10th Inst.

2nd The Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for Financial year ending 31st March 1910 amounting to 9/- in the £ was next considered and on the proposal of Mr David Murphy seconded by Mr Peter Murphy it was adopted by the Committee, with a recommendation to the Council to adopt it also.

2nd The Meeting adjourned

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March 10th 1909

A meeting of The New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 4.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts incorporated therewith; also to consider a resolution received from the Belfast Corporation asking to have the law governing the election of Aldermen and Councillors altered or amended, so as to provide that each Candidate, at the time of his nomination be required to deposit a sum of money with the Returning Officer, which is to be returned to him provided he secures a certain per centage of the entire votes; to consider, and if approved of, adopt Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1910, and recommend a fit and proper person to the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital, to fill a vacancy in the Hospital.

Present Messrs John S Deane J.P. Chairman presiding
Patrick J Delaney
Joseph Roche
and
John Murphy

The Treasurer's Authority for making payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs Delaney and Roche and the following Paying Orders directed to be issued Viz:-

No 193 -	Treasurer Local Government Board	£6.6.0
" 194 -	Thomas Martin	17-11
" 195 -	Graves Clarke	16-0
" 196 -	J J Shortall	4.6.8
" 197 -	John Odlin	3.2.6
" 198 -	James Barron	2.8.0
" 199 -	M Flynn	16.8.8
" 200 -	Same	10-0-0
" 201 -	Treasurer Co Council	310-14-3
" 202 -	John J Browne	10-13-1
" 203 -	Richard Murphy	8-15-0
" 204 "	John J Browne	39-13-0
" 205 -	M Harvey & Son	8-12-0
" 206 -	Daniel Evoy	29-17-6
" 207 -	Freeman's Journal	1-16-0

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A Tender was received from Patrick Rochford Neville St for the two heaps of Granite at 8/6 per heap which are in Rumbelow Lane and it was Ordered that same be accepted.

A letter was received from the Local Government Board No C4/M:1909 asking to be furnished with the Names of the Insurance Company or Companies with which the Poor Rate Collector is secured. The Clerk states that he had furnished the information to the Board and this was approved of.

Letter from Commissioner of Valuation notifying the despatch of the revised Valuation Lists for 1909 relating to the Urban District.
No Order Made

Letter from Secretary Co Council Wexford pointing out that the final Instalment of the Demand on the Urban District had not yet been lodged, but as a Paying Order for the Amount was being issued at this Meeting there was no Order made.

Mr Patrick Butler, John St offered 5/= for heap of road Sweepings at Rooleen-ha-Slaun and it was unanimously accepted.

Letter from Messrs Cherry Bros dated 8th March 1909 denying that the flag outside Mr Phelans Rooleroe was broken by their draymen.
After a short discussion it was
Ordered
That the Surveyor get a new flag set in it and the Street Inspector be directed to report in future any case in which the draymen be found dropping casks on the footpaths.

Revd P Murphy M.S.S. Hon Secretary of the Co Wexford Temperance Council forwarded for the adoption of the Council a resolution reiterating the National Demand for the closing of all licensed premises on St Patrick's day, and it was unanimously adopted, on the proposal of Mr Murphy seconded by Mr Delaney

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Tenders were received for some additional repairs to house occupied by Mrs Gelavin Irishtown, from Patrick Lanigan North St and John Cooney Conduit Lane. The former proposed to carry out the work for the sum of £5-14-0, and the latter for £5-11-6
Proposed by Mr Rocke and
Seconded by Mr Delaney That John Cooney's tender be accepted, the work to be completed in three weeks.
Passed Unanimously

A letter was received from Messrs Wilkins and Burden Electrical Engineers asking if the Council propose to take any steps in the near future in reference to the lighting of the town by electricity but there was no Order made upon it

The Clerk reported that the amount of Poor Rate for half year ending 31st March 1909 collected to date is £405-5-8 whilst the amount outstanding is £233-14-6. The Town, and Domestic Water Rate collected to date amounts to £1464-12-11, the balance outstanding being £405-19-6
Ordered That the attention of the Collectors be directed to the large amount of rates still uncollected and they be informed serious notice will be taken by the Council if immediate steps are not taken to collect same.

The Town Rate Collector reported a number of weekly tenants who owed over four weeks rent, and it was Ordered that proceedings be taken to obtain possession of the houses, the necessary Notices to be signed at a meeting of the Council to be held on 15th Inst, to which date it had been, at an earlier stage of the meeting, agreed to adjourn that the Clerk might in the meantime be enabled to ascertain particulars respecting those persons who had applied to be recommended for admission to Trinity Hospital.
He also reported that some of the landlords, who previously paid rates for their tenants, refused to pay them this year, and it was Ordered that he take proceedings against all those tenants whom he considers able to pay, for recovery of them. In the case of repairs to houses of the tenants, the Town

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Surveyor was directed to furnish, to Next Meeting, an Estimate of the Cost of carrying out the Necessary repairs.

The Clerk submitted a list of the applications received from persons asking to be recommended for admission to Trinity Hospital from which it appeared, that as some of them had been received a number of years ago, the particular applicants may not be now living. After some discussion it was agreed to adjourn the Meeting to Monday, 15th inst, at 8 O'Clock PM, the Clerk to ascertain in the meantime particulars respecting all the applicants, so that a suitable person might then be recommended to the Governors to fill the existing Vacancy

The Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate, amounting to 3/= in the £, for the financial Year ending 31st March 1910 was Next considered and it was

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That the Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate for financial Year ending 31st March 1910, Now before us be adopted, and that he publish the Necessary Notice of our intention to make a Poor Rate of 3/= in the £, and take the Necessary steps to enable said rate to be made

Passed Unanimously

The Finance Committee recommended payment of a Number of bills (see list at commencement of minutes) and also that the Clerk's Estimate of Poor Rate be adopted. They also reported that the matter of the housing of the working Classes is receiving their attention

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Murphy

"That the report of the Finance"
"Committee be adopted, and the payments recommended by "
"them be made.

Passed Unanimously

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The following resolution received from the Belfast Corporation was, on the proposal of Mr Roche, seconded by Mr Delaney, unanimously adopted Viz:- "That this Council is of opinion that the law governing "the election of Aldermen and Councillors in County Boroughs "and Urban Districts, and Poor Law Guardians in Ireland" "should be amended so as to provide that each Candidate" "be required at the time of nomination to deposit a" "sum of £5 with the Returning Officer, such sum to be" "returned to the Candidate in full provided he secures" "25% of the entire votes polled at the election but not otherwise".

The Meeting adjourned to Monday 15th March 1909

John J Scarr

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Monday 15th March 1909.

An adjourned meeting of the Council was to be held this evening at 8 O'clock to recommend to the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital a fit and proper person to fill a vacancy in the Hospital and take the necessary steps to obtain possession of the Council's houses occupied by tenants who owe four weeks rent and over.

Present Messrs John Murphy Vice-Chairman
John Fanning
and William McCabe

A Quorum not having assembled:-

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 24th March.

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Wednesday 24th March 1909

A meeting of the Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) act 1854 and other Acts incorporated therewith, and to recommend to the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital a fit and proper person to fill a vacancy in the Hospital, and take the necessary steps to obtain possession of the Council's houses occupied by Tenants who owe four weeks Rent and over.

Present Messrs John J Hearne J.P. presiding
Patrick Delaney
Peter Dempsey
John Dempsey
Joseph Roche
John Fanning
and
David Dempsey

The Treasurers Authority for making Payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs David Dempsey and Joseph Roche and the following Paying Order directed to be issued:-
Viz. Mr Ffrinn Petty Cash £15-0-0

Correspondence

A letter was received from Mr James Barron Poor Rate Collector tendering his resignation owing to failing health. He also thanked the Council for their Kindness to him and asked them to Kindly grant him the full amount of Superannuation to which he may be entitled.

A lengthened discussion took place on this letter, some members being of opinion that the resignation ought not to be accepted until the collection was closed, but it was pointed out that Mr Barron was physically unfit to close it. Mr Brown, Town Rate Collector, was then called before the meeting and he undertook to complete the work as far as he possibly could. It was then:-

Proposed by Mr Peter Dempsey and
Seconded by Mr John Dempsey "That the resignation

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"of Mr James Barron as Poor Rate Collector for the Urban"
"District of Newtownbreda be accepted"
"Passed Unanimously"

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy "That Mr John Moore"
"Town Rate Collector be appointed to Complete the"
"Collection of the Poor Rate for the present half year"
"at a poundage rate of seven pence in the £ this"
"arrangement to be subject to the approval of the"
"Local Government Board."
Passed Unanimously

Ordered "That a Special Meeting of the Council be called on Wednesday next, 31st inst. at 4. 30 o'clock P.M. to make arrangements for the appointment of a Poor Rate Collector, and Consider the advisability of amalgamating the Collection of the Town and Poor Rate.

Mr Long, Secretary to the Technical Instruction Committee wrote under date 24th inst enclosing an extract from a letter received from the Department of Agriculture stating the Department were prepared to make the sum of £50 an integral part of their contribution for Endowment as long as the Council Continue to levy a rate of 1d in the £ for Technical Instruction and submit through the Committee a scheme of which the Department approve.

The Meeting Came to the conclusion that it would be more Satisfactory to have an undertaking given by the Department direct to the Council, and Mr Long was asked to Convey this expression to the Departments Inspector.

A letter was received from the Town Clerk of Belfast acknowledging receipt of the resolution passed by the Council in reference to Candidates at elections lodging a sum of money with the Returning

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Officer, but there was no Order made upon it.

An application was received from Mr John Browne for the use of the Large Room in which to hold a raffle on the 25th inst and it was granted unanimously.

The Local Government Board forwards, for the information and guidance of the Council, an Order which they had made prescribing amended regulations in respect of main roads, but as there were not any main roads in the Urban District there was no Order made upon it.

Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy "That Mrs Catherine Cullen"
"Widow be recommended by the Council to the"
"Governing Body of Trinity Hospital for admission to"
"the Hospital"

Passed Unanimously

A tender was received from Messrs Morrau Bros offering to supply twelve Paying Order Books of one hundred each, for 18/-, and twelve Order Check books for 15/-, and on the proposal of Mr Roche, seconded by Mr David Murphy the Tender was unanimously accepted, the paper used in both to be of Irish manufacture.

The consideration of the arrears of weekly rent outstanding was next taken up, in conjunction with the Order of the Comal made at last meeting "that possession of the houses of the houses of tenants who owe four week rent be obtained" and after some discussion it was proposed by Mr Delaney and seconded by Mr John Murphy
""That the Order of the Comal be carried out, and the necessary steps"
"taken to obtain possession of the houses."
Mr Fanning proposed, as an amendment, that proceedings be not taken, but that the collector be directed to excersise more pressure to get the rents collected. The amendment was not seconded, and the resolution was put to the meeting and Passed, Mr Fanning dissenting.

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Proposed by Mr Roche and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy & "That the necessary"
"Notices be signed by the Chairman, and two Members"
"of the Council and Sealed".
Passed, Mr Fanning dissenting.

Ordered
That the question of Mr Barron's superannuation be considered at the adjourned meeting of the Council to be held on Wednesday, 7th Inst.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday 7th April.

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Wednesday 31st March 1909.

A special meeting of the Council, called by requisition, was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and other Acts incorporated therewith Viz:- To consider the advisability of amalgamating the Town and Poor Rate, and have same collected in two moieties, and make arrangements for the appointment of a Poor Rate Collector, including fixing of rate of poundage for collection of same.

Present Messrs John Dempsey Vice-Chairman presiding
James Rickard
Dr Welsh.
David Dempsey
Peter Dempsey
and
William McCabe

The Chairman read the requisition convening the meeting, after which the following letter received from the Local Government Board was considered:-

Local Government Board
Dublin 30th March 1909

No 46067/1909
New Ross Urban District
Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 25th inst relative to the resignation of Mr J Barron of his office as Poor Rate Collector in New Ross Urban District, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to state that they approve of the arrangement for the completion of the collection of the Poor Rate in the Urban District for the current year. The Council would do well to consider the question of obtaining from Mr Browne adequate security to cover that portion of the rates to be collected by him.

With regard to the proposal to amalgamate the offices of Town and Poor Rate Collector, I am to state that the Board would be disposed to approve of such arrangement, provided that the person so appointed will be prepared to accept such offices on the conditions laid down in Article (8 g) of the Public Bodies Order

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1904, and that he will furnish a Bond to cover both Collections in the Form prescribed by the Public Bodies Order 1904

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
M. O'Sullivan
Assistant Secretary

The Chairman referred to the Public Bodies Order 1904 from which it appeared that Mr Browne, if appointed Poor Rate Collector, should hold that Office on the same terms and conditions in respect of tenure of office, duties, and remuneration, as that of Collector of Town Rate.

A lengthened discussion took place as to the rate of pomadge to be allowed, and the Meeting came to the Conclusion that 6d. in the £ on the Joint Collections was sufficient.

Mr Browne having been called before the meeting, and matters explained to him, he consented to collect both rates for a pomadge of Sixpence, same to be collected in two half yearly Moieties, provided the Local Government Board sanction his appointment, in the event of him being elected by the Council, and if not he is to retain his present position at the present rate of pomadge.

This was agreed to by the Council.

After some further discussion it was

Proposed by Dr. Walsh and
Seconded by Mr J. B Keane

"That the Collection of"
"the Poor Rate and Borough Rate be amalgamated"
"and that the pomadge for same be 6d. in the £; that"
"the entire rate be collected in two Moieties, but that the"
"Borough Rate and Domestic Water Rate for financial"
"year be collected as usual owing to Poor Rate books"
"being nearly ready for Collector; this resolution to be"
"subject to the Sanction of the Local Government Board".

Passed Unanimously

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Ordered

That the election of Bor Rate Collector for the Urban District take place on 14th Inst, and that Notice of same be given in "The New Ross Standard", "Free Press", and "Echo" Newspapers.

The Meeting adjourned

Thos Kay 7.4.09

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Wednesday, April 7th 1909.

A meeting of the New Ross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts incorporated therewith:- also to consider question of superannuation of Mr James Barron, resigned Poor Rate Collector, and transact the necessary business in connection with same.

Present Messrs John Murphy Vice Chairman presiding
Peter Murphy
David Murphy
Joseph Roche
John Skelhan
and
Patrick Delaney

The Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

The Treasurers Authority for making Payments was signed by the Chairman and Messrs John Murphy and Peter Murphy and the following Paying Order directed to be issued.

Correspondence

Letter from Local Government Board No 46,476:1909, dated 1st April 1909, informing the Council that following upon the recent examination of Mr Shortall for the position of Town Surveyor for the Urban District of New Ross the examiner has reported to the Board that he displayed "great want of knowledge of levelling, Surveying, and Town Surveyors" "duties, and he does not possess sufficient technical knowledge to" "enable him to discharge the duties of the post of Town Surveyor" "with efficiency. The Board cannot, under the circumstances, approve of his permanent Appointment to the Office in question, and the Council should take immediate steps to terminate Mr Shortall's temporary employment and advertise for the services of a competent person to discharge the duties of Town Surveyor in the District.

After a short a short discussion it was —

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Proposed by Mr David Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy "That the Local Government"
"Board be asked to grant the Acting Town Surveyor an"
"extension period of six months to enable him to qualify for the"
"position, as during the time he has been discharging the duties"
"of Town Surveyor he has given the Council entire satisfaction"
"and with the extra time for study requested, we are confident"
"he will be able to satisfy the requirements of the Board."

Passed Unanimously.

A letter was received from the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, dated 2nd April 1909, stating that the Technical Instruction committee for the Urban District have submitted, for the Departments approval, Plans and specifications in connection with the proposed erection of a Technical School, and that they will be prepared to make the sum of £50 an integral part of their contribution to the scheme as soon as the contract for the School has been completed and to include this grant in their annual contribution from Endowment as long as the Council continue to levy a rate for purposes of Technical Instruction, and to submit, through the Committee, a scheme of which the Department approve.

This was considered satisfactory by the Council, and it was

Ordered

That the Department be informed the necessary steps will be taken to obtain the loan as soon as the Plans are approved of.

Letter from Revd Wm Gibson, The Rectory, Rosbercon dated 5th April 1909 complaining that on Thursday last he had a load of turnips weighed at the Public weighbridge. The weight returned was 10½ Cwt. but when he got them re-weighed by Chepstowes Hse. the weight, including bags, was a little less than 6½ Cwt. He considered it a public duty to bring this matter under the notice of the Council.

Ordered

That Miss Maher, the tenant of the Weighbridge, be furnished with a copy of this letter, and be asked for an explanation.

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A proposal was received from Dr James Conway Limerany Limerany. of 10/= for large heap of Manure in Yard, but it was considered too low. It was however agreed to give it to him for 10/=. if he is willing to take it at that price.

A letter was received from Anastatia Dorae Brosnahan complaining of the bad state of repair in which her house is, and that it needs to be attended to immediately.

Ordered

That the Surveyor inspect this house at once, and if the outlay required to put it in a proper state of repair is not much that he be authorized to get it done.

A letter was received from Messrs Boyle Bro Insurance Brokers in reference to Fidelity Bond of Collector Browne, asking to have a new proposal Form filled up, and forwarded, in consequence of him having been appointed to close the collection of the Poor Rate for half year ending 31st March 1909.

Ordered

That Messrs Boyle Bro be informed Dr Browne has completed the collection of the Poor Rate, and he accordingly reverts to his former duties.

James Finn of William St applied for the tenancy of the house in that street lately occupied by Richard Wickham, and he offered Robert Quinn South St as Surety, and on the proposal of Dr Roche seconded by Dr Delaney he was accepted as tenant.

An application was received from the Collector of Income Tax for payment of £2-16-3 arrears of Income Tax, but the Clerk having stated that the amount was discharged, and that he had communicated with the Surveyor on the matter, there was no order made.

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A resolution was received from the Town Clerk of Drogheda expressing the opinion of the Municipal Council that no legislation should be proceeded with which will create an addition to the number of Railway Companies, or increase local taxation liabilities, and asking the Council to approve of same, but there was no Order made upon it.

The following letter was received through Rev W. J. Williams, Quay St, from His Grace, Most Revd Dr. Kelly Coadjutor Archbishop of Sydney:-

St Benedicts, Sydney, Febry 22nd 1909

Dear William.

I am happy in reporting safe arrival of the Address. Kindly convey an expression of my appreciation and thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Council. The address will be kept as a much prized Souvenir of my connection with our historic and Catholic town

Yours Truly
+ M Kelly

Ordered

That this letter be inserted on the Minutes of the Council's meeting.

Dr. Hickey certified that James Barron, resigned Poor Rate Collector, was suffering from Gastritis and Cardiac (Heart) Debility and will not be able to do duty for one Month.

It was agreed to adjourn the Consideration of the question of his superannuation to next meeting of the Council, to be held on the 14th Inst. the Finance Committee to consider and report upon the matter in the meantime.

The Town Surveyor reported that there is a dangerous Chimney to the rere of the Premises occupied by Mr John Flood Quay St. the Owner of which is Miss Ashford, and it was Ordered that he serve the necessary Notice on Miss Ashford.

The Meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 14th April 1909

John J Hearn

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Wednesday, 14th April 1909

A Quarterly Meeting of the Council was held this day at 4 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and other Acts connected therewith, also to consider the Town Surveyor's Annual Report and Estimate for ensuing year.

Present Reps. John Sheehan J.P.
Patrick J. Delaney
Peter Dempsey
Joseph Roche
John Dempsey
and
David Dempsey

The following Quarterly Report of the Town Surveyor was read:-

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit the following is an Estimate of the cost of the works recommended to be carried out by your Street Committee during the 12th inst:-

To repair portion of the footpath at Brennans Lane	15-0
" Lay two steel Traps at entrance to Louis Yard Priory St	3-0-0
" Lay one at Robertson and one at Conduit Lane	3-0-0
" Rebet flags generally where needed	1-15-0
" Take up & old Kerbs at raised crossings	2-0-0
" Construct a concrete path at Post office side of Conduit Lane	15-0-0

An increased Tonnage for Street Maintenence for the ensuing Year is obviously necessary if your streets are to be maintained efficiently. Last year (1908) 500 tons were requisitioned. This was entirely inadequate, as some streets have received practically no metalling, whilst the Irishtown, Newtown, Charleton Hill, and the various Lanes leading to the Quay are in an advanced stage of dis-repair for want of an adequate supply of metalling.

For the coming year I beg to requisition for 650 tons, 400 of which to be limestone and 250 to be Carlow gravel which is unquestionably superior to any locally obtainable. It may be had for about 3/2 delivered on Quay, plus 4d for breaking. This is somewhat cheaper than the limestone (assuming Cartage on both to be equal) which last year cost 8/8 per ton, plus 1/- for breakage.

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Three boat loads of gravel are needed now. £542-7-0 was last years bill of expenditure for Street Maintinence. The same amount shall, approximately be needed for the ensuing year.

Yours Obediently
J J Shortall

After considerable discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Delaney

That the report and recommendation of the Town Surveyor be adopted, and carried out, except that portion of it referring to the Construction of a footpath in Conduit Lane, and laying of a Stench Trap in same Street, and that advertisement be issued inviting Tenders for the supply of 400 Tons of limestones, and 250 tons of Carlow gravel delivered on the Quay.

Passed Unanimously

On the suggestion of Mr Peter Murphy it was Ordered that advertisement be issued inviting Tenders for Cartage of 400 Tons of limestones from the Quay to the different depots in the Urban District, at per Ton.

Proposed by Mr Delaney and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

"That advertisement be issued for two boatloads of gravel, and that ½ dz Stench Traps be purchased.

Passed Unanimously

On the suggestion of Mr Roche it was decided to obtain quotations from the Wexford Engineering Co for the supply of the Street Traps before ordering them from Messrs Pouge and Taggart.

The Meeting Adjourned
John J Hearn

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Wednesday, 14th April 1909.

A meeting of The Newross Urban District Council was held this day at 7.30 O'Clock to transact business pursuant to The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and other Acts connected therewith, also to appoint a Poor Rate Collector for the Urban District, and arrange for superannuation of Mr Barron, including fixing of annual Allowance

Present Messrs John L Hearn J.P., Chairman, Presiding
Patrick Delaney
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
John Murphy
and
David Murphy

The Minutes of previous meeting were read & signed

No 48,615: 1909
8th April 1909

A letter was received from the Local Government Board informing the Council that while they see no objection to the arrangements made for the collection of the Poor Rate, yet before they can consider the question of Mr Browne's appointment as Poor Rate Collector, they desire to have before them replies to Queries on Form which accompanies the letter.

Ordered

That the Clerk, and Collector Broom, forward replies to the Queries of the Ly Board.

A letter was received from the General Accident Assurance Corporation acknowledging one from the Council notifying the resignation of Mr Barron as Poor Rate Collector for the Urban District

No Order made.

Letter from Messrs Wilkins and Burden, dated 8th Inst. asking if there is any point upon which they can give further information respecting the lighting of the town by electricity, and the Clerk was directed to inform them that the Council are not prepared to enter into the question at all at present.

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A letter was received from Mr Hamilton notifying that the governing Body of Trinity Hospital elected Mrs Conway, at present an inmate, to fill the vacancy in the Hospital, and that the decided to offer the Councils nominee, Catherine Cullen the use of a room without pension.

Proposed by Mr Peter Murphy and
Seconded by Mr John Murphy

That the election of Mrs Conway to fill the vacancy in the Hospital be approved of by this Council

Passed Unanimously

A circular letter was received from the Local Government Board asking for a return of the names of the several Officers of the Council and the Clerk was directed to furnish the desired information.

A letter was received from Messrs Coyle and Co Insurance Brokers expressing a hope that when Mr Browne has secured the permanent position of Poor Rate Collector the Council will allow them to issue the Necessary Bond.

No Order Made.

A resolution was received, for the adoption of the Council, from the Queenstown Urban Council, protesting against the proposed withdrawal of the embarkation of the American Mails at Queenstown, but instead to have them embarked at Liverpool, and on the proposal of Mr David Murphy, Seconded by Mr Delaney it was adopted.

Miss Maher, tenant of the weighbridge on Quay, wrote forwarding a reply to the letter received from the Revd Mr Gibson at last meeting of the Council relative to the alleged inaccuracy of weight of load of Turnips weighed for him. In the course of the explanation furnished by Laurence Hussey, the man in Charge of the weighbridge, enclosed by Miss Maher, he stated that the man for whom he weighed the turnips, which had been purchased by the Revd Mr Gibson, left half the quantity on the street at Robertson and proceeded with the remaining half to the Rectory, and it was decided, before considering the matter further, to ask the Revd Mr Gibson if this was so.

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A letter was received from Mr David Hay Peffers, Belhaven, Dunbar, offering a Plan of Newross in 1832, showing the proposed New Reform Act Boundaries, at 5/-.

The Members were of opinion that it would be very desirable to have a copy of it in the Office, and, on the proposal of Mr Peter Murphy, seconded by Mr John Murphy, the Clerk was directed to Order one.

For the position of Poor Rate Collector there was only one application received viz:- from Mr John J Browne as follows:-

Newross

April 14th 1909

Gentlemen,

In compliance with your advertisement for a Rate Collector of the Poor Rate at 6d in the £ for all monies collected and lodged, I beg leave to offer myself for said position, and Should you elect me I will do the very best in my power for your interest

Your Obedient Servant

John J Browne

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Roche

That Mr John J Browne be elected Poor Rate Collector for the Urban District of Newross at a poundage of sixpence in the £ on all Money collected and lodged subject to the approval of the Local Government Board.

Passed Unanimously

The Finance Committee reported that they examined a number of bills which they recommended payment of, and which amounted to £533-12-10. They also reported that they examined the Abstract of outstanding Town and Domestic Water Rate and recommend that sums amounting to £92-6-6 in the former and 15/- of the latter be cancelled, and that £42-1-1½ Town Rate and 4/4½ domestic Water Rate be carried forward. The Abstract of Poor Rate has not been submitted although fourteen days have elapsed since

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closing of same. They recommend that ten years be added to Mr Barron's service of twenty three years as Poor Rate Collector, his average poundage being, it appears about £36 per annum, and his emoluments about £10 additional, this would entitle him to a superannuation of £24-0-0, which we recommend, if the Council are liable for his emoluments, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board or the Lord Lieutenant.

The report was signed by Messrs John Stearne, Peter Murphy and David Murphy.

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Delaney "That the report be adopted"

Before the resolution was put Mr Roche entered into a very lengthened statement in opposition to the recommendation of the committee respecting superannuation to Mr Barron. He objected to superannuation, and did not agree with the action of Local Bodies in allowing the rates to be increased. Being of opinion that his efforts to keep down the rates were futile, he expressed his determination to sever his connection with Municipal life, as a protest, and desired to express his opposition to the proposal, which he foresaw would be passed, to allow Mr Barron superannuation. Having again declared that he was quite serious in his intention to retire from public life he left the meeting.

Mr David Murphy suggested the adjournment of the question to the next meeting of the Council that each member might be notified of the exact amount proposed to be given to Mr Barron, but on it being pointed out by Mr Delaney that the meeting was summoned to "fix the amount to be allowed him" it was decided to proceed with the matter. It was then

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Delaney "That ten years be added to Mr Barron's service of twenty-three years, as Poor Rate Collector

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr John Murphy and
Seconded by Mr Delaney "That Mr James Barron be allowed

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£94 per annum superannuation as resigned rate Collector, provided the Council can allow superannuation in respect of his emoluments not being payable by them, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, or Lord Lieutenant.

Passed Unanimously

It was also proposed by Mr John Murphy, seconded by Mr Delaney, and passed unanimously "That the bills recommended by the Finance Committee to be paid, be paid, and the recommendation respecting the Cancelling, and carrying forward, of outstanding Town, and Domestic Water Rate, be adopted.

The Street Inspector reported that Messrs Doyle and Hutchinson had machinery on the street in North Street for several days during the week, and that others had boxes on the street. After some discussion it was:-

Ordered

That the Council's Solicitors be instructed to take proceedings against Messrs Doyle and Hutchinson if they do not take the machinery off the street, and that they informed of this.

There was no order made respecting the boxes as the meeting was of opinion that a good many traders were now getting in Summer goods, and the leaving of boxes on the street may be unavoidable.

In consequence of the Mission exercises clashing with the hour at which the next meeting will be held it was agreed to hold the next meeting at 5 Oclock PM instead of 7.30.

The meeting adjourned to Wednesday, 28th April 1909

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Friday 17th April 1909

An adjourned meeting of the Council was held this evening at 7.30 Oclock P.M. to consider report of Finance Committee in reference to Housing of the working classes under The Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1908

Present Messrs John S Kearns J.P. Chairman presiding
Peter Dempsey
John Meehan
William Mc.n Cabe
John Cockrill
and
David Dempsey

A lengthened discussion took place upon the reading of the report as to the advisability of undertaking a scheme which involved considrable outlay, especially so as it seemed to be the opinion of the meeting that a rent of 2/6, or even 2/-, per week would be too much to expect any working man to pay. Eventually it was

Proposed by Mr Peter Dempsey and
Seconded by Mr Delaney

"That the Council build twenty-five"
"houses to be let at a weekly rent of one shilling and nine pence"

Passed Unanimously

Proposed by Mr Delaney and
Seconded by Mr Meehan

"That the present Water Committee be constituted a Housing Committee, and that they be empowered to take steps to give effect to the foregoing resolution, and report to the Council

Passed Unanimously

It was agreed that Architects be invited to send in Plans, free of cost to the Council, the man whose Plans are accepted, to be appointed to superintend the carrying out of the work at a fee of 5% upon the outlay.

The Clerk stated that through a mistake on his part the acting Town Surveyor's Salary, amount £4 6s 8, was omitted from the Treasurer's Authority Form signed by the Chairman and two

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members at the meeting held on Wednesday evening and he asked that a Paying Order be now signed for the amount, as it would be too long to leave it unpaid until next Finance meeting.

It was accordingly

Ordered

That the Treasurer's Authority for payment of same be duly signed.

Attention was drawn to the fact that "Standings" were being erected in Robert St, and the members all agreed it was very unfair to local traders, in the same business, who contribute largely to the rates of the town, to allow them to build temporary shops in the streets free. After some discussion it was

Proposed by Peter Murphy and
Seconded by William McCabe

That the proprietors of those temporary shops be charged a rent of ten shillings per week

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting Concluded.

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Tuesday April 27th 1909

A meeting of the Finance Committee Committee was held this evening at 4.30 Oclock P.M. to transact business and consider Abstract of Uncollected Poor Rate

Present Messrs John L Keane J.P presiding
Peter and Murphy

The Abstract of uncollected Poor Rate amounting to £147-9-7 was considered in detail by the Committee and they unanimously decided to recommend that sums amounting to £122-9-7 be carried forward and that £25-6-0 be cancelled after which

The Meeting Adjourned.

Tuesday, April 27th 1909

A meeting of the Housing Committee was held this day at 5.30 P.M to transact business of the Committee.

Present Messrs John L Keane J.P
Peter and Murphy

The committee discussed the question of Sites and other details, and were of opinion that nothing definite can be done, until Plans are obtained. They accordingly decided to invite Architects to submit Plans of twenty-five houses at an estimated cost of £100, but actual cost not to exceed £110 per house, the Plans to be submitted free of cost to the Council; the designer of the Plan that may be accepted to be appointed Architect of the work at the usual fee of 5% on the cost of the work.

The Meeting Adjourned

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