

July 3rd 1900

A meeting of the County Council was held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse Wexford on Tuesday July 3rd 1900.

Present In the Chair Mr Edmond Hore Vice Chairman
Other Councillors Messrs Michael Browne, Laurence Murphy, C. H. Peacocke, James Codd, Daniel Dempsey, William Whithy, James E. Mayler, J. F. Walsh, and Capt Walker.

The Secretary to the Council, Capt^m Pigott and the Solicitor Mr R. W. Elger were also in attendance.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & signed

Payment to Asylum

It was decided that a sum amounting to £1322. 7/- be paid the Managing Committee of the Lunatic Asylum on foot of their demand.

The Bank Book showed a balance to the credit of the Council of £3577. 7/-

Security of collector Mullett.

Letter No. 2093 on the Register of the Council from Mr Mullett, Rate collector, as to the amount of the security he had to provide, and his irrecoverable rates was read.

Irrecoverable Rates.

With reference to the latter question the Secretary explained that the collectors had only closed their collections a day or two before the last quarterly meeting, and it was impossible to pay the irrecoverable rates until the receipts had been returned by the collectors, each item examined to ascertain if it could be allowed, and further the sanction of the Local Government Board had to be obtained. In the future however the delay in refunding these rates would be greatly lessened.

The collectors would be obliged to close on the 31st March and 30th Sep^r in each year, and the irrecoverable rates could then be paid at the quarterly meetings in May and Nov^r following.

It was decided that the question of the amount of security given by Mr Mullett be considered by the Finance Committee.

The following resolution was then adopted on the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by Mr Dimpsey:

"That we recommend the amount of irrecoverable rates be paid to the collectors at the quarterly meeting in August, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board.

Death of collector Geo Larkin

The Secretary reported to the meeting the death of Mr George Larkin, Poor Rate Collector for No. 2. District of the County. He had also informed the Local Government Board of the matter, and of his intention to recommend to the meeting that the securities of Mr Larkin be called upon to complete the collection."

In response to his request the Local Government Board had forwarded an answer to his letter, by wire as follows:

"With reference to your letter of the 2nd inst the Local Government Board desire to state that the persons mentioned therein would ^{require to} be duly appointed Poor Rate Collectors, and furnished with a warrant by the County Council in order to enable them to collect and levy poor rates. If the amount of the uncollected rates of the late collector Larkin is very small the Board are of opinion that the Council may find it expedient to carry the balance forward into the present half-year's collection."

Secretary Local Government Board"

"On the motion of Mr Peacocke seconded by Capt Walker, it was decided that the Council make a temporary appointment, the Secretary having explained that the late collector had only begun his collection at the time of his death.

On the motion of Mr Browne seconded by Mr Mayler the following resolution was also adopted.

Resolved that Mr B. Larkin, be appointed Poor Rate collector for the purpose of completing the collection of his late father, for the half year, ending 30th Sept 1900, in the event of the same securities as acted for his father, giving a bond to the Council with Mr Larkin for the due and faithful

Meeting July 28th 1900

By directions of the Chairman of the Council, Sir J. H. Pratten Esq. Bart M.P.

A Special Meeting of the Wexford Co. Council, was held in the Council Chamber, Court House Wexford, on July 28th 1900.

Present:- In the Chair- Mr. Edmond Hore Vice Chm.
Other Councillors Messrs C. H. Peacocke, M. Browne, Daniel Dempsey, M. Hickey, M. J. Redmond, Jas. E. Mayler, Laurence Murphy, James Donohoe, James A. Doyle, William Whitty, P. Ryan.

Mr. H. J. Fuzelle, Assistant Secretary to the Council and Mr. R. W. Elger Solicitor to the Council were also in attendance

Co. & Assist. Surveyors' Salaries

The meeting was called to consider what steps the Council might consider advisable to take in connection with the question of the increased salaries to the County and Assistant Surveyors.

On the motion of Mr. Peacocke, seconded by Mr. Donohoe, it was decided that the question be discussed in Committee.

Mr. Peacocke proposed that Mr. Elger Solicitor to the Council be directed to take whatever steps he considered necessary to obtain a conditional order be certiorari, towards setting aside the sealed orders of the Local Government Board, in the cases of the increased salaries to our County and Assistant Surveyors.

Mr. Donohoe seconded the resolution which was passed nem con.

Mr. Dempsey proposed, and Mr. Whitty seconded the following resolution was unanimously adopted

Resolved, That Mr. J. J. Blaney M.P. B.L. be employed to draft the affidavits and move for the conditional orders in these cases.

A letter was read from Mr Owen Doyle regretting his inability to attend the meeting, and stating that he would agree to whatever course the meeting decided upon adopting

It was decided that Mr Webster County Surveyor be asked to furnish the Council with a list of "new roads" from the passing of the Local Government Act to the date of his application for increased salary Nov 8th 1899

W. H. Graham Esq.

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