

MEETING.- 5th OCTOBER 1915.

A Meeting of the Wexford County Council, was held in the County Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wexford, on 5th October 1915.

Present:- Mr John Bolger, (Chairman) presiding.

Also Messrs C. H. Peacocke, J. S. Hearn, James Lynch, Mark Codd, Thomas Asple, J.T. Mayler, J. J. Stafford, J. Redmond, N. J. Cowman, R. Scallan, L. Barry, P. Keating, J. J. Kehoe, M. Doyle.

The Secretary, County Surveyor, and Solicitor to the Council, were in attendance.

Confirmation of Minutes.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Proposals for Payment.

On the motion of the Chairman,

Seconded by Mr Lynch,

"That the several proposals for payment for salaries and other fixed items of expenditure as recommended for payment by the Finance & Roads Committee and by the proposal Committee be and are hereby adopted."

"Passed"

Resignation of Mr Rice, County Councillor.

Under date 28th September 1915, the following letter was read from Mr Richard A. Rice, County Councillor, for County Electoral Division of Tintern, conveying his resignation.:-

"I regret to say I must resign my position as County Councillor for Tintern. My health has broken down and I have no prospect of attending Council Meetings for a long time as you will see from Dr Dempsey's Certificate.

I must ask you to take the necessary steps as it is not fair to have my district without a representative. I can assure you and every official- and every Member of the Council that it is with extreme regret I write this letter."

Mr Rice forwarded certificate from Br P.J. Dempsey, 7 Merrion Sq., Dublin, that Mr Rice tendered his resignation on his (Dr Dempsey's) advice, as he considered it would be impossible for Mr Rice to attend the meetings of the Council, without running grave risks.

In connection with the matter of fine to which a Councillor resigning was liable, Mr Elgee, Solicitor to the Council, wrote that he was of opinion Mr Rice's case was governed by Article 9 (3a) of the Schedule to the Local



Government (Application of Enactments) Order 1898, and that therefore Mr Rice's resignation can be accepted without levying a fine.

On the motion of Mr Hearn,

seconded by Mr Lynch, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That we accept with great regret the resignation of Mr R. A. Rice, as County Councillor for the County Electoral Division of Tintern, that we hereby declare the office vacant and instruct that the usual notification of same be signed by the Chairman, of this meeting, and two Councillors present thereat, and countersigned by our Secretary, and that said declaration of vacancy in said office be published in the three local papers, co-option of successor to Mr Rice to be made at the Meeting of the County Council to be held on Wednesday 10th November 1915, We consider that as Mr Rice's resignation has been brought by illness, that no fine is payable by him on said resignation."

#### Electric Firer for blasting in Quarries.

On the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by Mr Lynch, the following recommendation from Finance & Roads Committee Meeting of 5th October was agreed to:-

"That as the County Council at their Meeting on 5th May 1915, authorised the County Surveyor to purchase an electric blasting machine for use in quarries cost not to exceed £10, and as we have ascertained that the appurtenances etc., of said machine will be extra, we hereby recommend that the County Surveyor be authorised to expend a sum of £2 over and above the sum of £10 already agreed to for the purpose of procuring electric blasting machine and fittings."

#### Overgrowing hedges etc.,

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Peacocke, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That the County Surveyor be instructed to draw the attention of the Assistant Surveyors to the necessity of having hedges at dangerous corners properly trimmed to avoid the liability of accident to vehicular and motor traffic, and also to request them to do what they possibly can to have removed overhanging boughs of trees which are in a great many places preventing the sun and wind from keeping roads in good order."

#### University Scholarships.

The following Minutes of the Finance & Roads Committee were brought up for confirmation:-



year's syllabus for University Scholarships."

"That History and Historical Geography be included as one of the subjects for next year's syllabus of same."

"That Candidates for University Scholarships must obtain honours in at least two subjects from the list of subjects given in the Syllabus for Scholarships."

"That consideration of revision of University Scholarship Scheme be dealt with at Finance & Roads Committee Meeting preceding the Annual Meeting of the Council in each year."

"That in considering award of Scholarships, in view of the provisions of the Syllabus issued by the County Council, this Committee feel bound to take into account only the marks obtained at Intermediate Examinations."

The following is the list of applications for Scholarships set out in order of merit as per marks obtained for Scholarship at Intermediate examinations--

- 1.- Arthur J. Quirke, Ballinamona, Campile (1313 marks)
- 2.- Dorothy Byrne, Ballycale, Gorey. (1009 marks)
- 3.- N.P. Corish, Talbot Street, Wexford. (950 marks)
- 4.- Wm M. Ryan, Wellington Place, Wexford. (895 marks)
- 5.- Joseph Busher, Henrietta Street, Wexford. (818 marks)
- 6.- Clare Kavanagh, George Street, Wexford. (766 marks)
- 7.- Annie J. Bookey, Ferns. (599 marks)
- 8.- James O'Connor, Common Quay Street, Wexford. (411 marks)

"That we recommend award of University Scholarships to the following:-

Arthur J. Quirke.

Miss Dorothy Byrne.

Wm M. Ryan.

Joseph Busher.

In the case of Mr Corish, who obtained third place, we do not recommend award of a Scholarship as we believe his father will be in a position to provide for University Course without assistance from the County Council."

"That the attention of all University Scholarship Holders be drawn to the resolution of the County Council instructing all Students to reside in approved Collegiate Hostels."



resolution was adopted:-

"That in the event of the report made to our Secretary that Miss Dorothy Byrne, Ballycale, has entered the Loreto Order proving correct, we hereby recommend that the award of University Scholarship be awarded to Miss Clare Kavanagh, George Street, Wexford, who is next in order of merit."

In connection with the refusal of the Finance & Roads Committee to recommend a Scholarship to Mr N. P. Corish, the following letter under date 21st September, was read from Messrs Huggard & Brennan, Solicitors, Wexford:-

"Mr N. P. Corish of Talbot Street, has handed us your letter to him of the 2nd September informing him that although his son has attained 3rd place, the Finance & Roads Committee of the County Council could not see their way to recommend him for a Scholarship. The only reason for this apparently is the rumour that Mr Corish became entitled to a considerable sum of money from a relative who died in America, this to a certain extent is true, but we would point out that Mr Corish has not up to the present, handled a penny of this money, and it is doubtful when this money will actually come to hand, so that at present at all events, he is in need of assistance for the education of his son, and it seems very hard lines on the boy himself that he should be passed over having qualified.

We are<sup>not</sup>/in a position to state exactly the amount of the legacy but in any view, it would seem to us that even if the entire of the legacy came to hand, Mr Corish would be scarcely able to afford to educate his son in a University without assistance, and he instructs us to say that if the money does come to hand and that he is in a position to do so, he will refund to the County Council whatever sum it may have expended on the boy from the time the legacy comes to hand.

Under all the circumstances, we would feel very much obliged if you would bring the matter again before the County Council before they come to a final decision, as it seems to us in view of the facts stated above, the boy is entitled to the scholarship.

Please do not take this letter as being written in any hostile spirit, but Mr Corish called on us and we promised we would do our best for him in the matter."

In connection with the recommendation of the Finance & Roads Committee calling the attention of Scholarship holders to the resolution of the County Council directing that all Scholarship holders should be obliged to reside in



a recognised Collegiate Hostel, Mr T. Bookey, Ferns, wrote asking that his son should be allowed to reside at 50 Heytesbury Street, Dublin, an approved residence, for the completion of his course, as it was not fair to ask students who had made arrangements for their full course to change now. He considered that full benefits could not be obtained from their course by students who would have to reside in Blackrock College, as it was too far from the University. The Hall of residence established by the Jesuit Fathers near the University was too expensive for the ordinary County Council Scholarship student."

"The recommendations of Finance & Roads Committee relative to additional subjects, annual revision, scheme, and Intermediate Marks, were confirmed, on the motion of Mr Asple, seconded by Mr Keating."

"The recommendations of Finance & Roads Committee as to awards of Scholarships were confirmed on the motion of Mr Hearn, seconded by Mr Mark Codd."

On the motion of Mr Stafford, seconded by Mr Hearne, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That Mr Bookey be informed that the County Council cannot see their way to approve of his application or to vary their resolution instructing University Scholarship holders to reside in a Collegiate Hostel."

#### Sealed Orders-Local Government Board.

Under date 9th August 1915, the Local Government Board forwarded Sealed Order No. 41,290-1915, Well and Pump at Kilmannon, area of charge Bridgetown Dispensary District, and under date 15th September- Sealed Order No.48,422-1915-Well and Pump at Screen-area of charge, Crossabeg Dispensary District.

Marked "Read"

#### Motor Car Act 1915.

Under date 20th September 1915, the Local Government Board wrote that by the Expiring Laws Continuance Act 1915, the Motor Car Act 1903 was continued until 31st December 1916.

Marked "Read"

#### Mountgarrett Bridge.

Under date 17th September 1915, the Local Government Board wrote letter No. 48028-1915, as follows:-

"With reference to your letter of the 1st instant, relative to expenditure proposed to be incurred by the County Council of Wexford in rebuilding Mountgarrett Bridge, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland



to state that, if the Council have sufficient appropriate funds with Their Treasurer to enable them to pay their portion of the cost of this work in one year, the Board see no reason for deferring the raising of part of the money until 1918, as suggested.

The following recommendation from Finance & Roads Committee of 5th October was submitted:-

"That the rate of payment of moiety of cost for Mountgarrett Bridge be raised in the two financial years of 1916-7 and 1917-8."

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by Mr Kehoe."

#### Elections & Registration Act 1915.

Under date 6th September 1915, the Local Government Board wrote (letter No. 140M 1915) calling attention to certain provisions of the Elections and Registration Act 1915.

The Finance & Roads Committee had adopted the following recommendation:-

"That all claims for remuneration for work performed under the Registration Act be referred to the Local Government Board for their decision."

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Lynch, seconded by Mr Scallan."

#### Illness of Mr J. F. Sullivan, Rate Collector.

The following recommendation was submitted from the Finance & Roads Committee:-

"That we approve of Mr Patrick Codd, Woodlands, Enniscorthy, acting as deputy for Rate Collector J. F. Sullivan, That this appointment be reported to the Local Government Board, and on receipt of their approval, we are prepared to issue the necessary warrant to Mr Codd, this appointment is in no way to interfere with the liability of Mr Sullivan and his sureties to close the Collection in respect of the half year ended 30th September 1915."

Under date 31st August 1915, the Local Government Board wrote (letter 45963-1915, Wexford County) approving of the appointment of Mr Codd, on the understanding that Mr Sullivan's sureties would consent to the arrangement.

October. "The Secretary stated that Mr Sullivan had closed his collection on 3rd October."

Mr Keating proposed, and Mr Cowman seconded:- That the district of Mr J. F. Sullivan, Rate Collector, be divided to admit of the Council appointing two Collectors."

Mr Barry proposed, and Mr Lynch seconded:- "That the district of Mr J.F. Sullivan, Rate Collector, be not divided."



A poll was taken with the following result:-

For dividing the district:- Messrs Keating, Cowman, Peacocke, Redmond, Kehoe, Asple, Mayler.-7.

Against dividing the district:- Messrs M. Doyle, Barry, M. Codd, Hearn, Lynch, Scallan and the Chairman.-7

The Chairman gave his casting vote, against dividing the district, and declared the proposition of Mr Barry carried.

On the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by Mr Scallan the following resolution was adopted:-

"That our Secretary be instructed to advertise for Rate Collector for No. 7 Collection District, vice Mr J. F. Sullivan resigned. That poundage be fixed at 7d in the £, and that the appointment of new Collector be made at Special Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 20th October at 2.30 p.m.,"

Application Assistant Surveyors for Increase of Salary.

At the July Meeting of the Finance & Roads Committee, a joint application for increase of salary was received from Assistant Surveyors Jones, Kehoe, Paddle, Flood, and Doyle, for an increase of salary.

The following resolution was then adopted by the Finance & Roads Committee Meeting:-

"That Mr Barry, County Surveyor, be instructed to communicate with the Assistant Surveyors drawing attention to the fact that they are "Whole time" Officers of the Council, and must devote all their time to the work of the Council.

That the application of the Assistant Surveyors for increase of salary be adjourned for three months to enable this Committee to ascertain how they perform their duties in the meantime."

At the Meeting of the Finance & Roads Committee on 15th September the County Surveyor called attention to the fact that the districts of the Assistant Surveyors were not evenly divided, Mr Paddle's district being the smallest, and Mr Flood's being a great deal the largest in the County, and he considered it would be advisable that Mr Paddle should relieve Mr Flood of some portion of his district, and that another portion should go to Mr Doyle. If these changes were made the five Assistant Surveyors' districts will be approximately equal in mileage.

The Finance & Roads Committee adopted the following recommendation:-

"That the proposed revision of Assistant Surveyors' districts be considered



when the application for increase of salary will be dealt with."

These matters were considered at the meeting of the Finance & Roads Committee Meeting on 5th October, when the following recommendation was agreed to:-

"That the application of Assistant Surveyors be adjourned for six months and that a small Committee be appointed with the County Surveyor to consider the advisability of appointing a second County Surveyor and one or two additional Assistant Surveyors."

"Confirmed on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Redmond."

The following Committee were appointed:- Messrs M. Hickey, Cowman, Lynch, Lord Courtown, Asple, Scallan, M. Doyle, Hearn, Cloney, Bolger, Peacocke, Keating and Stafford.

On the motion of Mr Stafford, seconded by Mr Peacocke, it was decided that first meeting of the Committee be held on the day of monthly meeting of the Finance & Roads Committee-17th November.

"That the question of procuring an engine for working County Council Stonebreakers be referred to Committee specially appointed to deal with the resolution of Mr Hearn, as regards appointment of ~~an~~ extra Assistant Surveyors and County Surveyor.

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Kehoe, seconded by Mr Lynch."

#### Audit of Accounts of Co. Wexford Infirmary.

Under date 7th August 1915, the Local Government Board wrote that they would be prepared to instruct one of their Auditors to audit the Accounts of the County Wexford Infirmary on receiving a certified copy of a Resolution passed by the Committee requesting them to do so, and agreeing to pay an Audit fee of £3. 3/- for each day or portion of a day necessarily occupied in the audit. The Board were not in a position to have the accounts audited free of charge, but had mentioned a low charge having regard to the circumstances of the Institution.

The Secretary stated he had forwarded a copy of the letter of the Local Government Board to the Registrar of the County Infirmary, and had received a reply asking if the Local Government Board Auditor would audit the accounts of the County Infirmary for the sum of three guineas yearly, as there was only the sum of £1,100 to be dealt with.

The Secretary stated he had forwarded a copy of the letter from the Registrar of the County Infirmary to the Local Government Board.



Sale of Food & Drugs Acts.

Under date 19th August 1915, letter No. G.3488-15, was read from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction, stating that an officer of the Department had purchased five samples of butter at New Ross Butter Market on the 8th July.

The samples were submitted to the Public Analyst for the County Wexford, who certified that they proved to be pure.

Under date 20th September 1915, letter No.G-3916-15, was read from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction, stating that an officer of the Department had obtained on the 18th August at Gorey five samples of butter. The samples were duly submitted to the Public Analyst for the County Wexford, who certified that they proved to be pure.

Under date 10th September 1915, the following letter No.G-3878-15, was read from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction:-

"I have to acquaint you for the information of the Wexford County Council, that an Officer of the Department - Mr James J. Nagle- acting on instructions under Section 2 of the Sale of Food & Drugs Act, 1899, purchased on the 21st ultimo at premises occupied by Messrs Buttle Bros., in Enniscorthy, a sample of butter which was submitted for analysis and was found to contain 23.3 per cent of water - 16 per cent being the maximum proportion of water allowable in a sample of genuine butter under the Sale of Butter (Ireland) Regulations 1902, (copy herewith). A copy of the report received from Mr Nagle in regard to this matter is enclosed, together with the Analyst's certificate and copy thereof.

In this case an offence would appear to have been committed against the provisions of Section 6 of the Sale of Food & Drugs Acts, 1875, and the Department are, therefore, desirous that proceedings should, on behalf of your Local Authority, be instituted in respect of the transaction within 28 days from the date on which the sample was obtained (Vide Sections 2 (2) and 19 Sale of Food & Drugs Act 1899)."

The following recommendation from the Finance & Roads Committee, was read-

"That Mr R. W. Elgee, Solicitor to the County Council be authorised to institute proceedings against Messrs Buttle Bros., Enniscorthy, for an alleged breach of the provisions of the Sale of Butter (Ireland) Regulations 1902.

That we request the Department to have, if possible, analysis and report to the Co Council, more promptly dealt with in such cases in future, owing to the necessity of having proceedings taken within 28 days from the date on which



the samples was obtained."

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Cowman, seconded by Mr Lynch."

"Mr Elgee stated that Messrs Buttle Bros., had been fined 10/- and £1 costs."

Suspension of Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order 1914.

Under date 24th August 1915, letter No. 2985-15, was read from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction;—forwarding Order suspending as from 1st September 1915, inclusive, the operations of all the provisions of the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order of 1914, except Article 12 (1) which prohibits the bringing to a port for shipment of an animal suffering from certain forms of the disease.

Marked "Read"

On the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by Mr Hearn, the following resolution was adopted:—

"That the Secretary make application to Mr R. Malone V. S., for the Microscopical outfit supplied him for work in connection with the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order 1914."

Maintenance of Live Stock (Ireland) Order of 1915.

Under date 27th August 1915, letter No. 2882-15, was read from the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction, forwarding copy of Maintenance of Live Stock (Ireland) Order of 1915, which provides that animals visibly or obviously in calf or in pig shall not be slaughtered or exported, except in the case of the slaughter of an animal under the powers conferred by the Diseases of Animals Acts, or any order made thereunder, or the slaughter of an animal necessary or desirable on account of accidental injury to the animal or its illness, or the slaughter or movement out of Ireland of an animal if in the opinion of the Department the slaughter or movement is desirable for any exceptional reason or purpose, and the slaughter or movement is authorised by a licence granted by the Department of Agriculture & Technical Instruction.6

Marked "Read"

Deductions from Guarantee Fund.

Under date 1st September 1915, a letter was read from the Irish Land Commission stating that they had arranged to furnish County Councils with copies of the lists of defaulting tenant purchasers sent to their Solicitors for legal proceedings immediately after the annual deduction from the Guarantee Fund.

These lists will contain the names of the great majority of the chronic defaulters, and County Councils with these lists before them will have ample



opportunity for taking whatever steps they may consider desirable with the object of securing the prompt payment of annuities and thereby avoiding a charge against the County ratepayers."

"No Order."

Annual Meeting of General Council.

Under date 25th September 1915, Mr A.Keogh-Nolan, Secretary, wrote stating that the Annual Meeting of the Irish County Councils' General Council would be held on 10th December 1915, and that notice of any questions which the Wexford County Council might desire to have discussed at the meeting should reach him not later than 25th November.

Ordered:- "To be brought up at next Meeting of the Co Council."

Co. Wexford Committee of Agriculture & Technical Instruction.

A request was received from the County Wexford Committee of Agriculture & Technical Instruction, for the appointment of Mr John J. Kehoe, County Councillor, to a vacancy on the Committee, also appointment of Mr Garrett J. Cloney, Old Ross Mills, Ballinaboola, vice Mr Adam O'Neill, Lacken New Ross.

On the motion of Mr Hearn, seconded by Mr Asple, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That Messrs J.J.Kehoe, County Councillor, and Garrett J. Cloney, Old Ross Mills, be appointed Members of the County Committee of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, to fill vacancies on said Committee."

Ex-Officio Inspector.-Food & Drugs Act.

Under date 18th August 1915, the County Inspector, R.I.C., Wexford, wrote requesting that Sergeant Michael Nolan, Duncormack, be appointed Ex-Officio Inspector of Food & Drugs for the petty sessions district of Duncormack, and Sergeant Cornelius O'Sullivan, for the petty sessions district of New Ross.

On the motion of Mr J. J. Kehoe, seconded by Mr Asple, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That Sergeant Michael Nolan, R. I. C., Duncormack, be appointed Ex-Officio Inspector under Food & Drugs Acts for the petty sessions district of Duncormack, and Sergeant Cornelius O'Sullivan, for the petty sessions district of New Ross!"

In connection with these appointments the following recommendation was submitted from the Finance & Roads Committee:-

"That in consequence of the delay which occurs in making appointments of ex-officio Inspectors under Food & Drugs Acts at meeting of the County Council,



we recommend the County Council to empower the Finance & Roads Committee to make said appointments."

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Kehoe, seconded by Mr Asple."

Poisons & Pharmacy Act.

Application for a licence under the Poisons & Pharmacy Act was received from Mr W. E. Reynolds, 69 Main Street, Gorey.

On the motion of the Chairman,

Seconded by Mr Peacocke, the following resolution was adopted--

"That a licence under Poisons & Pharmacy Act be issued to Mr W. E. Reynolds, 69 Main Street, Gorey."

Finance & Roads Committee Recommendations.

The following recommendations were submitted from the Finance & Roads Committee:-

Siding at Sparrowsland:- "That the County Surveyor enter into further negotiations with the Secretary of the Dublin & South Eastern Railway Co., relative to obtaining the use of the railway sidings at Sparrowsland and Rathgarogue, for the County Council, to allow of road metalling being loaded therefrom, and that he furnish the Railway Co., with the approximate amount of road metalling which would be handled annually at these sidings."

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Lynch, seconded by Mr Asple."

Wexford Bridge:- "That this meeting approves of the proposition of the County Surveyor to expend a further sum of £20 on the repairs of Wexford Bridge and that he be instructed to bring forward a proposal for this amount at the proposal Committee in November."

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Kehoe, seconded by Mr Cowman."

Obstruction to Traffic:- "That the County Surveyor be instructed to write to the Assistant Surveyors calling their attention to the practice of putting heaps of stones on roads and allowing them to remain so as to interfere with the travelling surface with the possibility of accidents happening involving liability for compensation on the part of the Council. This practice is the more reprehensible as in most cases the material could be banked without causing any inconvenience to traffic. Instances have been quoted in which material thus deposited is dangerous to the public, and we consider as regards such cases that the material should be removed at once."

That the County Surveyor furnish a report to next meeting of the Finance and Roads Committee as to the steps which have been taken to carry out those



Instructions."

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Lynch, seconded by Mr Hearn."

Cherryorchard Quarry:- "That we recommend the County Council to offer no objection to Mr George Sharpe Cherryorchard, disposing of his interest in Cherryorchard Quarry, provided his Successor in title is prepared to enter into an agreement to carry out Mr Sharpe's obligations to the County Council as regards supply of road metalling. We consider Mr Sharpe should put his request in writing, so that it could be submitted with this recommendation to the Co. Council."

The following letter under date 13th September 1915, was read from Mr George Sharpe, in connection with this matter:-

"I wish to make application for permission to dispose or otherwise let my holding at Cherryorchard. The incoming tenant to fulfill all obligations to your County Council for remainder of my Contract. Hoping this will meet with their approval."

"The recommendation of the Finance & Roads Committee was confirmed on the motion of Mr Cowman, seconded by Mr Kehoe,"

Food & Drugs Acts:- Arising out of correspondence with the County Inspector, R. I. C., as to administration of Food & Drugs Acts, the following recommendations of the Finance & Roads Committee were laid before the meeting:-

"That the County Inspector, R.I.C., be requested to inform the County Council of the names of firms supplying seals required under Food & Drugs Acts, and on receipt of this information that our Secretary obtain quotations from such firms for consideration at next meeting of Finance & Roads Committee.

That no change be made in the present system of ordering sample bottles, etc.,"

"That our Secretary obtain quotations for supply of 12 Record and Report Books for use of Inspectors under Food & Drugs Acts, for next meeting of this Committee, on receiving the views of the Local Government Board on the form suggested by the County Inspector, R. I. C., That should the Local Government Board suggest any amendment in the form, our Secretary be instructed to confer with the County Inspector, R.I.C., as to its adoption."

"That a copy of the letter of the County Inspector, R.I.C., relative to the quantity of certain articles which is necessary to take for the purposes of samples under Food & Drugs Acts, be furnished the Local Government Board, and that they be requested to advise the Committee."



"That the tender of Messrs Combridge & Co., 18 to 20 Grafton Street, Dublin, for supply of 13 seals for use of Ex-Officio Inspectors under Food & Drugs Acts, be accepted at £1. 12. 9d, seals to be supplied to the satisfaction of the County Inspector, R. I. C., Wexford, and payment to be made on his certificate."

"Confirmed on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Peacocke."

Weights & Measures:- "That the County Inspector be requested to kindly furnish the Council with the names of firms supplying the articles required by him for Weights and Measures Acts, as set out in letter of 18th August, and on receipt of this information that our Secretary obtain quotations for submission to next meeting of this Committee."

"Confirmed on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Peacocke."

By-Laws New Ross Bridge:- "That a copy of letter of 20th August 1915, from Mr Elgee, Solicitor to the Council, in connection with By-laws New Ross Bridge, be furnished Messrs Lawler & Sons, Caretakers, for their information."

"Confirmed on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Peacocke."

Payment of Poor Rate:- "That this Committee having considered the complaint of Rev T.E. G. Condell as to Rate Collector P. Rossiter, desire to point out to Mr Condell that the rates are payable to the Rate Collector."

"Confirmed on the motion of the Chairman."

Duncannon Harbour:- "That subject to confirmation of County Council, Richard Breen be appointed lamplighter and caretaker of Duncannon Harbour at a salary of £12 per annum and as per terms and conditions (set out in advertisement published in the local papers) governing the appointment. Mr Breen to enter on duty on Monday 11th October 1915."

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by the Chairman."

Irrecoverable Rates Claim of Mr J.F.Sullivan:- In connection with claim of Mr J. F. Sullivan, Rate Collector, for refund of irrecoverable rates, the following recommendation was received from Finance & Roads Committee:-

"That copies of the lists of Irrecoverable Rates in respect of March 1915 rate (except those for E.D. of Newtownbarry) be furnished the Clerk of Enniscorthy Rural District Council, and that he be requested to lay same before a meeting of his Council with a view to ascertaining the correctness of Mr Sullivan's claim."

"Confirmed on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Lynch."

Damage to Road Bridges:- Under date 27th August 1915, Mr R. W. Elgee, Solicitor to the Council, wrote enclosing letters from County Surveyor as to damage done to



the coping of a bridge on Road No. 3 Gorey District, and requesting instructions as to whether he should issue summons against the boys who were stated to have caused the damage, or write their parents to have the coping of the bridge repaired.

The Finance & Roads Committee submitted the following recommendation:-

"That the Committee instruct Mr Elgee, Solicitor to the Council, to prosecute in these cases, provided Mr Paddle Assistant Surveyor, furnishes sufficient information to Mr Elgee to satisfy the latter that there is a reasonable prospect of proving the offence in Court."

Mr Peacocke (Chairman at Committee Meeting) dissented as he considered the Road Contractor should institute proceedings.

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by Mr Bynch."

Printing of Account Books:- Messrs J. English & Co., Wexford tendered for the supply of Subsidiary Account Book of Expenditure, and Receipt Book for General Account, for the sum of £4. 7/-"

"The tender was accepted by the Finance & Roads Committee."

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by Mr Lynch."

Kilmore Harbour:- In connection with Kilmore Harbour the County Surveyor mentioned that it was complained locally that a steam launch was blocking the entrance to the harbour.

The Finance & Roads Committee decided that the matter be referred to Mr Elgee, with a request to write to the Harbour Master full instructions as to his duties, particularly pointing out to him that boats, etc., are obliged to take up the stations pointed out by him."

"Confirmed on the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by the Chairman."

Prosecution of Contractor:- "That our Solicitor be authorised to prosecute Mr Henry P. Gahan, Contractor for work at Boyce's Bay for neglect in carrying out his contract."

"Confirmed on the motion of the Chairman."

State of Rate Collection:- The Secretary laid before the meeting the state of the Rate Collection to the 11th September:-

The following resolution was adopted by Finance & Roads Committee-

"That the attention of Rate Collectors Blake, Redmond, Lacy, Sheehan, Smith, Earle, Mullett, and Doyle, be called to the fact that they had only 19 days from the 11th inst., to close their collections, and that the Finance & Roads Committee consider that if more energy had been displayed by these Collectors in



the discharge of their duties the collection would have been far more advanced. The Committee consider that in view of the present prices Collectors could by the 11th September 1915 have secured at least 70 per cent of their warrants.

The Committee will not approach the Local Government Board for any extension of time in which to close the Collection.

In the cases of Messrs Doyle and Mullett, the Secretary is instructed to communicate with the sureties of these Collectors unless within a week he finds a very substantial improvement in their Collections."

"Confirmed on the motion of the Chairman."

#### Analyst's Report.

The following report under date 26th August 1915, was read from the County Analyst:-

"Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C. B., M. D., Public Analyst for the County Wexford on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 30th June 1915.

149 articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R. I. C., as follows--

<u>Article.</u>	<u>Number.</u>
Milk	47
Butter	37
Buttermilk	21
Whiskey	14
Cheese	9
Margarine	6
Bread	6
Port Wine	3
Separated Milk	2
Rum	1
Gin	1
Claret	1
Tea	1
Total	<u>149</u>

Two certificates were sent to Sergeant White, Wexford, for specimens of milk deficient of at least 23 and 26 per cent of their fats respectively, and one certificate for specimen of butter containing an excess of water namely 17.6 per cent, and one certificate for specimen of buttermilk adulterated with at least 11 per cent of added water exclusive of 25 per cent allowed for churning purposes.

For the Guardians of Enniscorthy Union fifteen drugs were analysed and



were correct.

For the Guardians of Gorey Union six drugs were analysed and were correct

One specimen of water analysed for the Idrone Rural District Council, New Ross had the following composition.

One imperial gallon contained in grains .

Total solid matter	10.500	
Including		*
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.005	
Saline Ammonia	0.016	
Nitric Acid	1.370	
Chlorine	1.190	
Colour	light yellow	

A slightly inferior water.

One specimen of feeding stuff was analysed for the Secretary Co Council.

For the Enniscorthy Co-operative Society, Enniscorthy, one fertilizer was analysed.

For Messrs Buttle Bros., Enniscorthy, one specimen of feeding stuff was analysed.

One specimen of feeding stuff was analysed for Mr Wm Foley, Gorey.

For Shillelagh Union which is partly situated in the County Wexford, eleven drugs were analysed, and were correct.

In the original report on the water above referred to, full details chemical and microscopical, were given, but in the foregoing only the more important points are given.

Total analyses.....186

Marked "Read"

#### Reinstatement of Mr Mansfield.

A resolution was read from the Cork County Council, again requesting the Commissioners of National Education to reinstate Mr Mansfield and his wife in Cullen Boys' National School, Co. Tipperary.

"On the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by Mr M. Doyle, the resolution of Cork County Council was adopted."

#### Imprisonment of Irish Volunteers.

Resolutions were read from the Dublin and Limerick Corporations, protesting against the imprisonment of Irish Volunteers, and drawing attention of Irish Parliamentary representatives to the unequal administration of the law as regards public utterances and writings in Ireland and England.



On the motion of Mr Peacocke, seconded by Mr Lynch, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That in the opinion of this Council the action of the Government in ordering the banishment of Irishmen from their native Country for no reason assigned, constitutes a grave encroachment upon the civil rights of the people, and that it is the duty of public representatives to protest against any unwarranted exercise of despotic powers, and unjust differentiation against Ireland."

(Signed)

John Bolger  
Presiding Chairman.

dated this 12 day of

Nov

1915.



SPECIAL MEETING.-20TH OCTOBER 1915.

A Special Meeting of the Wexford County Council, was held in the County Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wexford, on 20th October 1915.

Present:- Mr John Bolger (Chairman) presiding.

Also present:- Lord Courtown, Messrs Cloney, Asple, Redmond, M. Doyle Kehoe, Cowman, James Codd, O'Neill, Lynch, J. A. Doyle, Hearn, Kinsella, Whelan, Mark Codd, Mayler, Scallan, Keating, and Barry.

The Secretary, and Mr R. W. Elgee, Solicitor to the Council, were in attendance.

The Meeting was specially called for the appointment of Rate Collector for No. 7 Collection District, vice Mr J. F. Sullivan, resigned.

Applications were received from the following:-

- 1.- Patrick Codd, Woodlands, Enniscorthy. Recommended by Very Rev Canon Meehan P. P., Ballindaggin, Rev S. J. Cullen, C. C., Caim, Rev W. F. Benson, Rector, Templeshambo.
- 2.- Patrick Dunne, Newtownbarry, Recommended by Rev A. Forrestal P. P., Newtownbarry, Johnson Mooney & O'Brien, Dublin.
- 3.- Aidan O'Farrell, Cherryorchard, Enniscorthy. (No References)
- 4.- Owen O'Neill, Oldtown, Ferns, Recommended by Rev P. Darcy, P.P., Kilrush, Rev R. Gaul, C. C., Newtownbarry, Rev T. B. Gibson, Ferns.
- 5.- Michael J. Prandy, Ashgrove, Templeshambo, Ferns. Recommended by Rev A. Forrestal P.P., Newtownbarry.
- 6.- Michael Roche, Ballygilliestown, Davidstown. Recommended by Canon O'Connor, Davidstown.

Mr O'Farrell was not in attendance, and as this was essential according to the terms of the advertisement of the position his application was not considered.

The Secretary stated that Mr Patrick Dunne, who was not in attendance, had retired from his candidature.

A Poll was taken between the remaining Candidates with the following result:-

**For Mr Codd:-** Messrs Barry, M. Codd, James Codd, Kinsella, O'Neill, Lynch, Redmond, and Cloney.-8.

**For Mr O'Neill:-** The Chairman.-1

**For Mr Prandy:-** Messrs Whelan, M. Doyle, Cowman, Scallan, Hearn, Kehoe, J. A. Doyle, Lord Courtown.-8



**For Mr Roche:-** Messrs Keating, Mayler, and Asple.-3.

Mr O'Neill dropped out, and a poll was taken between Messrs Codd, Prandy, and Roche, with the following result:-

**For Mr Codd:-** Messrs Barry, M. Codd, James Codd, Kinsella, O'Neill, Lynch, Redmond, Cloney, and the Chairman.-9

**For Mr Prandy:-** Messrs Whelan, M. Doyle, Cowman, Scallan, Hearn, Kehoe, Mayler, James A. Doyle, and Lord Courtown.-9

**For Mr Roche:-** Messrs Keating, and Asple.-2.

The final poll was then taken as between Messrs Codd, and Prandy, with the following result:-

**For Mr Codd:-** Messrs Barry, M. Codd, James Codd, Kinsella, O'Neill, Lynch, Redmond, Asple, Cloney, and the Chairman.-10.

**For Mr Prandy:-** Messrs Whelan, M. Doyle, Cowman, Scallan, Hearn, Kehoe, Keating, Mayler, J. A. Doyle, and Lord Courtown.-10.

The Chairman then gave his casting vote in favour of Mr Codd, whom he declared elected.

Mr Codd suitably returned thanks for his election.

The following is the application of the successful Candidate:-

"I desire to offer myself to your Council as a Candidate for the position of Rate Collector for No.7 Collection District. I am 28 years of age, and enclose three testimonials as to my Character and qualifications

If elected I am confident that I can discharge my duties to your satisfaction, as I have for sometime past been acting as deputy Collector in the district.

I am prepared to enter into security with any guarantee society approved by the County Council, and the Local Government Board."

(Signed)

*John Boyle*  
Presiding Chairman.

Dated this

day of

1915.