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WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

MONTHLY MEETING 8th JUNE 1936.

MINUTES

County Hall, WEXFORD.

N. J. FRIZELLE, Secretary, Wexford Co. Council. The monthly meeting of Wexford County Council was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 8th June 1936.

Present:- Mr. Corish (Vice-Chairman) and subsequently
Mr. D. Allen (Chairman) presided; also, Messrs. J.J. Bowe,
Patk. Colfer, John Connors, C. Culleton, Wm. Cullimore,
John Cummins, John Day, Col. C.M. Gibbon, W.P. Keegan, John
P. Kelly, Wm. Kinsella, Jas. Lawler, Thos. McCarthy, T.J.
Meyler, Philip Murphy, Sean O'Byrne, Miss N. O'Ryan, Col.
R.P. Wemyss Quin, Ml. Redmond, Thos. Redmond, Patk. Ronan,
Malachi Sweetman and James E. Walsh.

The Secretary, County Surveyor, County Solicitor and the five Assistant Surveyors were in attendance.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

PAYMENTS

Treasurer's Advice Notes for £11302. 5. 9d were examined and signed.

THE LATE MR. MICHAEL DOYLE

A vote of condolence to Mr. Myles Smyth, County Councillor, on the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. Michael Doyle, Gorey, was adopted in the usual manner on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. McCarthy.

The Secretary on behalf of himself and staff also expressed sympathy with Mr. Smyth.

STRIKING OF RATE FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 1936-37

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Mr. M. Redmond:-

"That we hereby allow and make the rates as agreed to at meeting of this Council on 9th March 1936 and as set out and assessed in Rate Books for each Collection District for this County, our Secretary having certified at foot of valuation of the hereditaments now in force therein is concerned is in conformity with the valuation supplied by General Valuation Office and in accordance with instructions of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health and that occupiers of Agricultural Land be given such relief in respect of rates on agricultural land as has been provided by the Oireachtas for the financial year ending 31st March, 1937, such relief to be given by way of abatement as determined by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

That the following sums, as agreed to at meeting of this County Council, held on 9th March, 1936, be demanded from the three Urban Councils of the County, for financial year 1936/37:-

Enniscorthy. . £3,210.12.2.

New Ross . . (2,950. 9. 8.

do. (maintenance of (Urban Roads in (Urban district)(475. 0. 0.

Wexford. . . 6,325. 15. 9."

(This was the special business of the meeting).

MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEES.

MEETING 22nd MAY, 1936: The Minutes of Finance
Committee in respect of this meeting were submitted
as follows:-

The fortnightly meeting of Finance Committee was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 22nd May 1936.

Present: - Messrs. P. Colfer, W. Cullimore, W. P. Keegan, John P. Kelly, Wm. Kinsella, Sean O'Byrne and Miss O'Ryan.

The Secretary, Assistant Secretary, County Surveyor, County Solicitor and Rates Inspector were also in attendance.

On the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Kelly, the chair was taken by Miss O'Ryan.

After confirmation of Minutes, Mr. Corish, Vice-Chairman, County Council, presided.

After examination of Treasurer's Advice Note, the Chairman (Mr. Allen) attended and presided for the rest of the meeting.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

PAYMENTS

Treasurer's Advice Note for £2989. 10. 7d was examined and signed.

RATE COLLECTION

STATE OF: The state of the Rate Collection to date was submitted as follows:-

J. P. J. M. J.	J. Murphy Curtis Carty J. O'Reilly Kehoe Deegan Kenny Doyle		96.1 93.3 91.4 90.7 89.8 88.9 88.6 84.5
M. J. J.	Gannon No. McCarthy Cummins Flood Nolan Dunne	10	84.2 83.6 83.5 82.8 79.4 77.2
S. J. W.	Gannon No. J. Sinnott Cummins Quirke Murphy Doyle	6	77.0 73.0 71.5 70.7 70.2 68.3

PERMANENT COLLECTOR FOR DISTRICT NO. 7: With reference to proposed appointment of permanent Collector for No. 7 District, the following advertisement was approved on the motion of the Chairman (Mr. Corish) and seconded by Mr. Kelly and it was directed it should be forwarded for sanction of the Minister:-

WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR FOR NO. 7 DISTRICT

The above Council will, at their meeting to be held on Tuesday, 30th June 1936 at 10.30 a.m. ("Official" time), consider applications for the position of Rate Collector for No. 7 District which comprises the District Electoral Divisions of:- Ballindaggin, Castledockrell, Killoughrim, Kilrush, Marshalstown, Moyacomb, Newtownbarry, Rossard, St. Mary's and Tombrack.

Candidates must be over 21 years on 1st June 1936, and must submit birth or baptismal certificate with application.

Remuneration - 7d in the £ on all monies collected and lodged (provided warrants are closed by statutory dates) with statutory fees for work in the preparation of Electors' Lists.

Terms and conditions of appointment, which should be obtained by all intending candidates, will be furnished on application to the Undersigned.

Applications (with testimonials and reputable evidence as to character) must be lodged with the Undersigned not later than 27th June 1936 at 10 o'clock a.m. (official time).

The Council do not bind themselves to make any appointment at meeting on 30th June 1936.

The successful candidate must receive the approval of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

N. J. FRIZELLE, Secretary.

Wexford County Council, County Hall, WEXFORD.

COMPLAINT AGAINST RATE COLLECTOR: The following under date 20th May 1936 was read from Rate Collector Matthew Murphy (District No. 12):-

"In reply to your letter of the 16th instant re John Sheil's complaint against me, I beg to state that on 28th October he got a six days'notice, on the 20th November, my solicitor sent out 26 letters of application including Mr. Sheil's. On the 19th December, there were four summons sent out all for first moiety rate. On the 30th December Sheil left the rates at Mrs. Stamps.

If I am to be called before the Council whenever a Ratepayer makes a complaint to a member of the Council, I think it is only fair that a certain amount of expenses should be allowed to me.

I am trying to carry out my duties to the best of my ability and naturally I feel that I am being hampered in these duties when I can be called before the Council at the behest of any Ratepayer who considers he has a grievance by any action taken by me in the execution of my duties as Rate Collector."

Miss O'Ryan said there appeared to be some opposition to the Rate Collector in the district.

The Rates Inspector said that Murphy was a rather tactless man, but it was a difficult district to work in.

After a long discussion, the following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Corish, seconded by the Chairman:-

John Sheil, the Assistant in Stamp's shop and the Rate Collector with a view to ascertaining the dates (1) when the Rate Collector called on the Ratepayer; (2) when six day notice was issued; (3) when solicitor applied for payment; (4) when the summons was issued against Sheil; (5) when the latter left the rates at Stamp's shop, and (6) when they were taken up by the Rate Collector. That report regarding these dates be furnished the Finance Committee. Also that Rates Inspector endeavour to procure for the Finance Committee information as to friction which appears to exist between the Collector and some of the Ratepayers."

It was decided to inform Collector Murphy that the Finance Committee would call for his attendance at any meeting at which they believed it to be necessary to elicit any facts in connection with his Rate Collection.

POUNDAGE TO COLLECTORS: The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. Colfer:-

"That the Council be recommended to procure the sanction of the Minister to the payment of Poundage to Collectors who lodge a sum equivalent to the amount of current warrant and arrears of financial year 1935/36 by the 30th May 1936."

IMPROVEMENT VILLAGE STREETS

The Chairman referred to the great necessity which existed for the improvement of the village streets of the County, many of which were in very bad condition, and even where reasonably passable occasioned so much dust through

motor traffic that the residents were put to loss as well as to inconvenience. The Government were providing two and a quarter millions for improvement and development work and there was no doubt that some of this money could be most usefully spent in improving their village streets. They could divide the streets into two lists putting into No. 1 those which most urgently needed attention and reserving the second list for further consideration. The Council should, however, bear in mind that it would be necessary in order to qualify for the State grant that substantial local contribution towards the various works would have to be forthcoming.

Miss O'Ryan pointed out that the Grant would be only available for work on road work which would not be done by the Council in the ordinary way, in other words, for reconstruction and improvement, but not for maintenance.

The Chairman proposed the following resolution which was seconded by Mr. Colfer and passed nem. con :-

"That as regards proposals for improvement and reconstruction of village streets in County Wexford, we hereby approve of the submission of the names of the following villages and amounts as estimated by the County Surveyor:-

Coolgreaney £920; Courtown and Riverchapel £1100;
Kilmuckridge £1,000; Monamolin £980; Ballycarney £600;
Kiltealy £920; The Ballagh £300; Castlebridge £550; Crossabeg £480; Slade and Churchtown £360; Saltmills £100; Ballyhack £500; Clongeen £400; Tagoat £280; Taghmon £1200;
Bridgetown £600; Duncormack £600. Total £10,890.

That we recommend the County Council to accept these proposals and to agree to contribute one moiety of the amount actually spent for this Scheme provided the other moiety be available from State funds."



SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS

Under date 7th May, 1936, the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote (H.92376/36 Loch Garman), stating that the Minister had sanctioned a proposal of the Wexford County Council to advance £95 to Patrick Murphy in respect of a new house to be erected at Rosetown, Barntown, under the Small Dwellings Acts and in lieu of advance of £72 already sanctioned.

Under date 12th May, 1936, the Minister for Local Government and Public Health wrote H.96586/36 Loch Garman, that the Minister had sanctioned an advance of £195 under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts to James Sinnott in respect of house to be erected at Seamount, Gorey.

The application of John Eustace, Clonleigh, Palace,
New Ross, for an advance of £100 under the Small Dwellings
Acquisition Act, was passed on the motion of the Chairman
seconded by Mr. Corish.

It was decided that an application from Samuel McCutcheon, Coolbrook, Wellingtonbridge, Oil Salesman, for a loan of £300 be adjourned for further inquiries.

It was stated that Mr. McCutcheon did not require any advance under Small Dwellings Acquisition Act for the purpose of erecting a residence, as his present premises were very substantial and suitable.

In connection with the loan advanced to Michael Wickham, Tomnalosset, Enniscorthy, for house at Knockmarshal, Mr. Kelly said that a lodger named Bass still occupied the place and was so far as he could learn, paying 10/- or 12/- per week. Some time ago, Mr. Elgee, Solicitor, had been directed to take up possession and he (Mr. Kelly) wished to know what had been done in the matter.

Mr. Elgee said he was dealing with the matter.

WARBLE FLY (TREATMENT OF CATTLE) ORDER 1936 Under date 19th May, 1936, the Department of Agriculture wrote:-"In reply to your letter of the 11th instant, I have to refer you to Article 12 of the above Order which renders it unlawful for any person to sell any preparation for dressing cattle for warble infestation unless such preparation is contained in a sealed package on the outside of which there is certain printed matter, including the words "Approved by the Minister for Agriculture". This provision is designed to secure that no unapproved and possibly ineffective or adulterated or otherwise spurious preparations will be sold for the purposes of the Order. It was not assumed that the sample mentioned in this Department's letter of the 9th instant to the Local Authority was spurious or ineffective. The matter was referred to the Local Authority for attention in view of the fact that the sample did not comply with the foregoing requirements. It is, of course, a matter for consideration by the Local Authority whether the purpose in view would not be sufficiently served by, in the first instance, warning the trader who was offering the powder for sale against any further similar infringment of the Order." Under date 19th May, 1936, letter was read from Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor, forwarding list of questions which he had asked the Department in view of their first letter as to Warble Fly Powder sold in this instance. Mr. Elgee, Solicitor, stated he had supplied Mr. Thornton on request with a sample of the powder which had been forwarded by the Department to the County Council. After discussion the following resolution was adopted:-"That the attention of Mr. Alphonsus Thornton, Chemist. Enniscorthy, be called by Mr. John Elgee, County Council Solicitor, to the necessity of adhering strictly to the instructions under the Warble Fly (Treatment of Cattle) Order 1936, relative to the sale of powders under the Order. The Council would expect that in future that Mr. Thornton would exercise special care in seeing that any preparation sold on his premises for dressing cattle for Warble Fly infestation is contained in a sealed package on the outside of which there is the printed matter required by Article 12 of the Warble Fly Order 1936, including the words "Approved by the Minister for Agriculture".

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LOAN FOR PURCHASE OF HEAD RENT COUNTY BUILDINGS

Under date 21st May 1936, the Manager, National Bank,

Wexford, wrote that his Directors would favourably consider

Wexford, wrote that his Directors would favourably consider the advancement of a loan of £4151 for the purpose of purchasing the ground rent of the County Buildings, repayment to be spread over a period of 15 years on the usual terms as to Interest and Security, viz., Mortgage over the Rates, Rate of Interest 1 under Irish Banks Rate varying with a minimum of 4 in accordance with the decision of the Irish Banks Standing Committee.

The Chairman proposed and Mr. O'Byrne seconded the following resolution which was adopted:-

"That the National Bank (Treasurer of County Council) be requested to advance Loan of £4151 for the purchase of ground rent of County Buildings at 4% fixed Interest for the full period of 15 years."

Under date 19th May 1936 the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote (S.92170-36-Loch Garman) that in connection with application to Commissioners of Public Works for advance of Loan to redeem ground rent of County Buildings the matter had been referred to them for attention and it was requested that full particulars as to the acquisition of the premises would be submitted.

It was decided to adjourn consideration of this letter pending the result of negotiations in the matter with the Treasurer of the County Council.

ROSSLARE SEWERAGE

Under date 19th May 1936 the County Surveyor wrote that a letter had been received from the Engineer of above Scheme as regards the removal of the projection at the Golf Hotel, Rosslare. When the Committee inspected the place it was considered this building should come down so as to allow of the proper laying of the sewer pipes.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. Kinsella:-

"That the matter of removal of projection at Golf
Hotel, Rosslare, be again referred to the County Surveyor
to submit information as to the conditions agreed to by the
County Council when an application to allow of the erection
of the building was made to them."

ROSSLARE ROAD OBSTRUCTION

Under date 22nd May 1936, Mr. Elgee, Solicitor, wrote that the structure which the County Surveyor had reported as blocking the road at Rosslare Strand and which was owned by Mr. McGurk was on a public right of way leading to the Strand, over which the County Council had no control.

No order.

ROAD MATTERS

WORK AT KILTREA QUARRY: A letter from Mr. Kelly, under date 20th April as to work in this quarry was referred from the general meeting of the County Council in May to Finance Committee for consideration. Mr. Kelly said that there were five of the regular staff of road workers breaking stones by hand in Kiltrea quarry. Three of these men had 4 years' stamps to their credit. At one time a number of casual workers were employed at this particular work. Mr. Kelly then gave the names of seven married men with dependents who were on Unemployment Assistance with about 10/-each week and he contended these men should get some of the work in the quarry as heretofore.

Under date 6th May, 1936, Mr. Ennis, Assistant Surveyor, pointed out that the men in this section referred to by Mr. Kelly were employed at Main Road Work for three months, winter work or by-roads for three months and in Kiltrea Quarry (preparation of material) four months. This was a total of 10 months. Often with the stamps which they

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thing as a reserve. He had no room for any further men in the Section. Of the seven men mentioned by Mr. Kelly, only one ever worked for him and for a short period only. Of course, the amount of work available in this Section was not nearly so large as before the main road from Enniscorthy to Ballymackessy was rolled.

It was decided on the motion of Mr. Colfer seconded by Mr. Kinsella to accept the explanation of Mr. Ennis in this matter as satisfactory.

COMPLAINT RE HAULAGE: Under date 20th April 1936, Patrick Clear, Ballyprecus, Bunclody, wrote as to haulage work and the letter which had been referred from general meeting of the County Council to Finance Committee for consideration, was dealt with. Clear pointed out that he started work with the County Council over 20 years ago, and no fault had ever been found with him. He had hauled for the Council during crucial periods. A few years ago, when farmers would not work for the Council he had two or three horses employed, but for the last five years work grew less and less so that he had been employed only for three weeks for the last six months. He complained that at the present there was very little haulage from Ryland Wood to Corragh, and farmers were employed. Men who had land and other means of livelihood were at work while he (Clear) who had not a perch of land or house of his own, was unable to secure a day's work.

Under date 6th May, 1936, Mr. Ennis, Assistant Surveyor, wrote that Clear could be described as a professional
haulier, having three good horses. Formerly, he, to a
large extent, lived by County Council work, but latterly
this had been greatly cut down, because, while formerly
Clear got all work in Ryland Quarry and adjoining Section,
this had been divided by Order of the County Council, and

now Clear got somewhat less than half of his former employ-

ment. The second reason was that haulage to roads was now

given by competitive tender, and he did not receive one-third

Miss O'Ryan seconded.

Passed.

ROAD NO. 50: Letter from Mr. Kelly under date 20th April 1936, which had been referred from County Council general meeting to the Finance Committee, for consideration, pointed out that Road No. 50 had been changed to a different Section, from Ballinlug to Ballymackessy some time ago, with the result that men from another Section, including the ganger, had to come a distance of six or seven miles to work on the road in question. The Section these men normally worked in was twice the size of the section in which the above road was before being changed, and yet these men could get out stones and have the hand-breaking of them as well. Six men who had seen Mr. Kelly, had written to object to this, and also, to the fact that 300 yards of stones were hauled from Cherryorchard Quarry to Scollagh Gap. This material could have been obtained from Grange quarry. The men who came into the Section to work had two or three years stamps to their credit, while the men on whose behalf he had written, were all married and getting from 8/- to 10/- Unemployment Assistance. He stated that if they were expected to pay rent and rates they should get a share of the work in their own section.

Under date 6th May 1936, Mr. Ennis, Assistant Surveyor, wrote that some years back Road No. 50 had been changed from Section 16 to 17. Formerly, Section 16 had 13 miles of unrolled main road, and Section 17, 6 miles of rolled and none of unrolled Main Road. Six miles of rolled road would not yield very much work, and he, Mr. Ennis, found that the foreman in Section 16 had more main road work than he could manage, with the result that road No. 50, which was five miles long, was put into Section 17. This left eight miles in Section 16 and this was found to be much more satisfactory than the previous arrangement. The road

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were simply untrue. The statement that Section 17 was twice as large as Section 16 was also untrue. Even with the change, he, Mr. Ennis found, the effective work yield of 16 was still rather greater than 17. As regards the statement that 300 cubic yards of stones were being brought from Cherryorchard to the Scollagh Gap road, what had been decided was to spread about 140 cubic yards of 1/2 inch chippings on this road. These could not possibly be supplied by Rathduff or Grange quarry. The latter quarry could hardly supply sufficient chips for the main roads adjacent to it. Even if they could be had they would cost considerably more. Of the six men whose names were given only one ever worked for him and for a short period only.

Mr. Colfer proposed and Mr. O'Byrne seconded a resolution that Mr. Ennis' explanation be regarded as satisfactory. Passed.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT

The Secretary reported that £2810 Road Improvement Grant 1935-36 had been lodged by the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) to the credit of the County Council.

ALLEGED REMOVAL OF ROAD MATERIAL

Under date 19th May 1936, Mr. Elgee, Solicitor, wrote that Nicholas Butler, Newbawn, Foulksmills, was at the District Court held on 19th May, fined £2 (the full amount allowed by Act of Parliament) in a prosecution for the removal of road material.

A BROKEN DOWN ROAD

Under date 20th May 1936 Mr. John R. Cousins, Hill, Bridgetown, wrote that he had been notified to repair road which had been worn down by his cattle going to his land every day. He repaired the road seven years ago, though he had no liability in the matter, as he was not supposed to keep up a contract road. He also wanted to be paid for the work which he had carried out on the road.

The County Surveyor said he had seen the place, and as far as he could make out a deep drain on the road close to Mr. Cousins' house was broken down by his cattle. The ganger, John Roche, complained of the damage done by the cattle to Mr. Moche, but, he (County Surveyor) considered it was "up to" the Council to build a road so that cattle could be driven along it. He thought a retaining wall of concrete should be built there.

It was decided to refer the matter to the County Surveyor who was instructed to confer with Mr. Elgee, Solicitor, as to the liability of the Council.

KILMANNOCK DRAINAGE RATES

Under date 8th May 1936 letter from Mr. N. J. Murphy, Hon. Secretary, Kilmannock Drainage Committee, which was referred from County Council meeting re payment of Kilmannock Drainage Rates to Finance Committee for consideration was read. Mr. Murphy pointed out that the Rate Collector was pressing the Drainage Ratepayers for payment. At present, the drainage was useless as it was nullified by the salt water coming through the foundation of the Causeway roads from the flooded lands at Fisherstown, so that at every Spring tide the drain is full and might as well never have been cleaned up. The whole Scheme was faulty and when it was being carried out the ratepayers were informed it was for the relief of unemployment. The ordinary County Rate on the affected holdings was higher than rates and annuities on the surrounding estates. He did not see how some of the owners could pay what was really an unjust imposition. asked the County Council to press the Department of Local Government and Public Health for a remission or at least a

very substantial modification of the original drainage charges.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Golfer seconded by Mr. Kinsella:-

"The Finance Committee, in view of their experience relative to a similar request in connection with the Sow Drainage area, cannot hold out any hope of reduction in the amount of loan advanced for improvement of Kilmannock Drainage Area, but are prepared to ask the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to allow the collection to be dealt with similar to the collection of the Sow Drainage Rate, viz., by the collection of one year's Drainage rate each year until amount of Charging Order has been repaid by Drainage Ratepayers. The expenditure for maintenance of Area to be collected from Drainage Ratepayers in addition to the sum set out in Charging Order.

COMPENSATION TO A GANGER

Mr. Keegan said there was a rumour in the district that a ganger named Redmond, Curratubbin, who was receiving compensation for injury had been engaged on work of his own when the injury took place. He did not know how true this was, but he asked the County Surveyor to ascertain all possible information in the matter.

The County Surveyor said there was a rumour that the man had been cutting firewood for himself when the accident occurred but this was denied. He would go into the matter fully.

LOAN VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS

Under date 14th May 1936, the Commissioners of Public Works wrote (C.92/13/2/36) that as regards payment of further instalment of £1093. 14. 4d of the loan of £3500 sanctioned for the erection and equipment of Vocational Schools at Adamstown, Kilmuckridge and Shelbaggin, they were

referring the relevant papers to their Architect for his report. They would issue the amount he recommended. As the Mortgage Deeds for this loan did not cover the purchase of the sites, they could not advance any money for the purpose, but they suggested that the Council should communicate with the Department of Local Government and Public Health in the matter.

The Secretary stated that the County Council had borrowed the amount asked for by County Vocational Education Committee.

Mr. Kelly proposed and Mr. Corish seconded the following resolution which was adopted:-

"That copy of letter from Commissioners of Public Works under date 14th May 1936 (C.92/13/2/36) be referred to for their observations to County Wexford Vocational Education Committee."

PERMANENT APPOINTMENT SHORTHAND-TYPIST

Under date 19th May 1936, the Department of Local
Government and Public Health wrote (G.102730/36-Loch Garman)
that the Minister had sanctioned the permanent appointment
of Miss Kathleen Tobin as Shorthand-Typist under Wexford
County Council on the terms and conditions set out in replies
to queries and on the conditions of the published advertisement inviting applications for the position.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The report of Scholarship Committee held on 16th May 1936, was submitted as follows:-

WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE

MEETING 16th MAY 1936.

A meeting of above Committee was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 16th May 1936.

Very Rev. J. Doran (President St. Peter's College), presided and there were also present: - Miss O'Ryan, Messrs. R. Corish, T.D., John J. Kelly, N.T., and Hugh O'Byrne.

The Secretary to the County Council was also in attendance.

SECONDARY AND VOCATIONAL SCHEME: The following recommendation of Galway Education Committee was considered:-

"That candidates present themselves for only one optional subject."

It was pointed out that the aim of Wexford County

Council as regards subjects of examination for scholarships
was to have all elementary Schools on an equal footing. At
present, in a two-teacher school, it is not possible,
during school hours to provide for the teaching of optional
subjects except in girls' schools in which needlework is
included in the curriculum.

It may be argued that pupils are not obliged to qualify in two optional subjects to secure a scholarship, but it is manifest that so long as students are given credit for these subjects by examiners they are in a much more favourable position to qualify than pupils who rely on the marks obtained in the compulsory subjects only.

The Galway resolution commended itself favourably to the Committee in view of the fact that with some sacrifice a teacher might be able to prepare pupils in one optional subject in a school in which preparation of two would be out of the question.

The Committee strongly favour the inclusion of one optional subject only in future schemes and recommend the County Council to use their best efforts to secure the sanction of the Department of Education to this proposal, which would certainly be of considerable help to the pupils of the smaller schools.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME: The working of the following resolution adopted at the meeting of the County Council on 11th May 1936 was considered at length:-

"That in future all applicants for University Scholarships whose parents or guardians are in receipt of a taxable income in excess of £200 be regarded as ineligible for award of University Scholarships."

Figures of various incomes were examined and it was ascertained the allowances were so many that very few parents or guardians would be inside the limit.

The meeting recommended the Finance Committee to

(1) Fix an amount of gross income and in respect of which
the following figures were offered as a basis for discussion:-

Income not to exceed £560 for six children
£510 for five children
£410 for two or three children
and £320 for one child, particulars of Income in each case
to be supported by Statutory Declaration made before
District Justice or Peace Commissioner.

(2) To revert to the procedure by which each individual case was considered on its merits.

After considerable discussion, the following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Mr. O'Byrne:-

"That the report of Scholarship Committee submitted to this meeting be received and adopted.

That we recommend the County Council to insert the following clause in University Scholarship Scheme:- 'That parents or guardians of children who are assessable for Income Tax (Except under Schedules A and B) be regarded as not coming within the scope of Section 10(2) of the Irish University Act, 1908, as being in need of assistance to provide a University education for their children!."

In connection with payments under University Scholar-ship Scheme to J. M. Druhan, who had taken a position in the Government Service, it was decided that he should be requested to refund a sum of £2. Druhan claimed there was a sum of £3. 10. 0 due to him on foot of the Scholar-ship.

COMPENSATION FOR CRIMINAL INJURY

Application for compensation for £30 from the Minister for Lands, for the burning of one acre of forestry plantation and one hundred yards of rabbit fencing, was referred to Mr. Elgee, Solicitor.

On the motion of Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Colfer, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That the minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 22nd May, 1936, be received and considered."

WARBLE FLY (TREATMENT OF CATTLE) ORDER, 1936: The Secretary read letter from Mr. Thornton, Chemist, Enniscorthy, enclosing letter from Messrs. Cooper & Co., Manufacturers of powder, relative to which complaint was made by the Department and which stated that on analysis the sample submitted was found to be genuine.

ROSSLARE SEWERAGE & PROJECTION, GOLF HOTEL: The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan, seconded by Mr. Kelly:-

"That Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor, be instructed to report to Finance Committee as to necessary steps to be taken to have projection of the Golf Hotel removed, as, from the report of the Engineer at the Rosslare Sewarage Scheme, the sewerage pipes cannot be properly laid unless the building itself is taken down."

SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME: In connection with the recommendations of the Scholarship Committee, adopted by the Finance Committee, the following notice of motion by Miss O'Ryan was considered:-

"That, as the proposal of the County Council, adopted at last meeting, regarding eligibility of candidates for University Scholarships, whose parents or guardians are in receipt of taxable income up to £200, would not carry into effect the provisions of Section 10(2) of the Irish University Act, 1908, the Council agree to the following recommendation of the Finance Committee in connection with eligibility of candidates being adopted:- 'That parents or guardians

of children who are assessable for income tax (except under Schedules A and B) be regarded as not coming within the scope of Section 10(2) of the Irish University Act, 1908, as being in need of assistance to provide a University education for their children'." In moving the motion Miss O'Ryan pointed out that she had brought it forward not for the purpose of penalising anybody, but in order to provide some standard of stabilisation for deciding who would be eligible for award of University Scholarships. In order to save the unpleasant task of rejecting particular pupils by laying down a standard it would be understood by everyone that steps had to be taken by the Council to decide who were or were not in need of assistance in order to provide University Education for their children. Colonel Gibbon seconded the motion which was adopted. The Secretary stated that of the 28 applications received for award of University Scholarship the parents of three pupils only had taxable incomes. 1. Robert P. Doyle, Main Street, Wexford. This man's wife was not living with him but resided in Rosslare with her children. According to the returns he made to the County Council respecting his income, he appears to have received only allowance for an unmarried man. If he were living with his wife and family he would not be assessable for income tax. 2. James Kelly, South Main Street, Wexford, had given his taxable income at £130. 3. Michael Murphy, N.T., Cushinstown, New Ross, had returned £107 as taxable income. On the motion of Colonel Quin, seconded by the Chairman, the following resolution was adopted:-"That the following applicants for University © WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL ARCHIVES

Scholarships be regarded as eligible to compete for same:-

John A. Bolger, Victoria Place, New Ross. James Breen, 24 McCurtain Street, Gorey. William Brewer, Irishtown, New Ross. Brendan Corish, 1 St. Ibar's Villas, Wexford. Patrick Doyle, Custom House Quay, Wexford. Johanna Egan, Fethard-on-Sea, Co. Wexford. John Flynn, Ballymaclare, Campile. Charles Forde, 2 Slaney Street, Wexford. James A. Forde, Delta Cottage, Gorey. John French, 28 Main Street, Gorey. William J. Hanlon, 7 Friary Place, Enniscorthy. Eileen Hennessy, Priory Lane, New Ross. Anne Hickey, Westgate, Wexford. Margaret Hughes, Irish Street Hill, Bunclody. John Patrick Kehoe, Creacon, New Ross. Mary E. Kelly, Ballymorris, Ballyhogue, Enniscorthy. James J. Meyler, Blackhall, Glynn. Philip M. Murphy, Knockreigh, Adamstown. Bridget O'Donnell, Duncannon, CO. Wexford. James O'Flaherty, Hill Street, Wexford. Nicholas O'Grady, 16, Carrigeen Street, Wexford. Laurence O'Rourke, Brownstown, Newbawn, Co. Wexford Edmond P. Rossiter, Broadway, Co. Wexford. John Ryan, 16 Quay, New Ross. Patrick Whitmore, Bishapswater, Wexford.

That in the opinion of this Council Mr. R.P. Doyle,
South Main Street, Wexford, James Kelly, South Main
Street, Wexford, and Michael Murphy, N.T., Cushinstown,
are in a position to provide University Education
for their children. In consequence this Council
believes they are not in need of assistance to
provide such education."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan, seconded by Mr. Corish:-

"That minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 22nd May, 1936, be and are hereby adopted."

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING - 5th JUNE, 1936: The minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 5th June, 1936, were submitted as follows:-

The fortnightly meeting of Finance Committee was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 5th June 1936.

Mr. Denis Allen (Chairman) and, subsequently, Mr. Sean O'Byrne, presided. Also present:- Messrs. John P. Kelly, W. P. Keegan and Patrick Colfer.

The County Surveyor, County Solicitor, Assistant Secretary and Rate Inspector were also in attendance.

The Minutes of last Meeting were confirmed.

PAYMENTS

Treasurer's Advice Note for £4096. 0. 1 was examined and signed.

RATE COLLECTION

STATE OF: The state of the Rate Collection was submitted as follows:-

	tage of Gross			
E. J. Murphy John Curtis Patrick Carty J. J. O'Reilly John Deegan Maurice Kehoe Denis Kenny Philip Doyle M. McCarthy John Flood Joseph Cummins Sean Gannon (No. 10) Patrick Nolan Art Dunne John J. Sinnott Sean Gannon (No. 6) James Quirke Matthew Murphy Walter Cummins William Doyle	Warrant. 96.5 94.7 93.3 92.5 90.5 89.3 85.9 85.4 84.6 82.8 80.0 77.7 77.2 76.1 73.5 72.4 70.8			
Total	84.0			
The amount of the 1935/36 Warrant was Arrears Carried forward	£. s. d. 98977. 0. 6 16757. 8. 8	£.	s.	đ.
Total Warrant		115734.	9.	2
Lodgment and Discount Irrecoverable Rates	97221. 14. 1 799. 3. 9	98020.	17.	10
Uncollected		£17713.	11.	4

The amount of arrears carried forward at close of last year's collection was £16757. 8. 8. The amount outstanding is therefore £956. 2. 8 in excess of the amount carried forward last year.

None of the Collectors had lodged an amount equivalent to the 1935/36 warrant plus arrears carried forward from the 1934/35 assessment.

Five Collectors had each lodged a sum exceeding amount represented by net warrant for 1935/36, excluding arrears, allowance having been made for irrecoverable items. The following are the amounts lodged by these Collectors in excess of the amount of the net warrant for 1935/36:-

Philip Doyle 33. 16. 7

Joseph Cummins 102. 4. 6

Sean Gannon (No. 10) 59. 13. 5

John Curtis 45. 3. 9

Patrick Carty 98. 15. 1

Total £339. 13. 4.

The following are the amounts by which each of the remaining Collectors failed to reach amount equivalent to net warrant for 1935/36, excluding arrears:-

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James Quirke William Doyle M. McCarthy Patrick Nolan Sean Gannon (No. 6) John Deegan John Flood Walter Cummins Matthew Murphy J. J. O'Reilly Denis Kenny Art Dunne J. J. Sinnott E. J. Murphy Maurice Kehoe	£. 94. 17. 35. 12. 89. 27. 55. 147. 141. 108. 102. 290. 113. 16. 42.	s. 10. 1. 4. 11. 16. 15. 16. 17. 18. 18. 15. 11.	d. 0 9

Irrecoverable Rates Lists and Temporary Uncollectable Rates Lists for each Collector were placed on the table for the Meeting.

Total £1295. 16. 0

The amount of Irrecoverable Rates for each Collector

was:-8 88. 13. James Quirke 30. William Doyle 10. 10 Philip Doyle 30. 3. 1 14. 110. M. McCarthy 7 2 Patrick Nolan 86. 16. 59 Sean Gannon (No. 6) 28. 12. 82. John Deegan 19. Joseph Cummins 27. 2 0. John Flood 3. 19. 9 Sean Gannon (No. 10) 23. 28. 18. Walter Cummins 9 Matthew Murphy 20. 16. 6. 11 J. J. O'Reilly 11. 5. Denis Kenny 18. 106. 5. Art Dunne 9 John J. Sinnott 10. E. J. Murphy 8 8. 4. 14. 5. Maurice Kehoe John Curtis 21. 11 Patrick Carty 47. 15. Total £799. 3. 9.

The amount of Temporary Uncollectable Rates in each Collector's District is:-

James Quirke William Doyle Philip Doyle M. McCarthy Patrick Nolan Sean Gannon (No. 6) John Deegan Joseph Cummins John Flood Sean Gannon (No. 10) Walter Cummins Matthew Murphy J. J. O'Reilly Denis Kenny Art Dunne J. J. Sinnott E. J. Murphy Maurice Kehoe John Curtis Patrick Carty	£. s. d. 2185. 5. 11 1715. 4. 5 706. 10. 6 743. 5. 8 1330. 1. 5 792. 19. 8 570. 17. 0 846. 5. 2 556. 19. 11 575. 18. 2 1460. 17. 1 1034. 1. 4 402. 1. 3 478. 4. 8 1690. 1. 6 1523. 11. 5 170. 8. 3 391. 4. 5 267. 16. 10

Total £17713. 11. 4.

Mr. Elgee, Solicitor, stated he had a sum of approximately £50 on hands for lodgment for Mr. Quirke's district.

On the motion of the Chairman, it was decided that, if Rate Inspector considers, on re-examination of Temporary Uncollectable Lists of these Collectors, who had not lodged an amount equivalent to the 1935/36 net warrant, any such Collectors have included items which should have been

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Uncollectable Lists and the Rate Collectos concerned be called upon by the Secretary to lodge amounts of rates represented by these items.

APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF RATE COLLECTORS FROM IRISH LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS' UNION (WEXFORD BRANCH):

Under date 3rd June, 1936, the following letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Local Government Officials'
Union (Wexford Branch):-

"I am directed by the Local Government Officials Union to state it is understood that the Rate Collectors have now closed their Warrants for the year 1935/6, and I am to request the County Council to pay poundage on the collection as soon as possible.

For the past three years, the Council have paid each Collector a sum of sixpence for investigating each application for abstement of rates, but up to the present no payment has been made in respect of this work for the year 1935/6. I am, therefore, to request that payment be made on the same basis as previous years.

I am further desired to call the attention of the County Council to the very heavy cost involved to each Rate Collector in providing a Fidelity Guarantee Bond each year. The Union understands that a large number of County Councils pay the premium on these Bonds, and feels that it is only necessary to call the attention of Wexford County Council to this matter to have it remedied and the costs transferred from the Collectors to the Council.

I am, as well, to call attention to the case of Matthew Murphy, Rate Collector, whose poundage of approximately £40 on the First Moiety Collection for 1935/6 was cut by no less than £17, he only being paid £23. This is a great hardship on the Collector, who was also cut £13 for 1934/5, leaving him £30 out of pocket to date.

The Union feels that this man has been penalised too much, and consider it would be only just for the County Council to pay him the amount due. I am, therefore, to request your Council to be so good as to pay Collector Murphy the balance of commission due to him as early as possible."

It was decided on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. O'Byrne to point out to the Secretary of the Irish Local Government Officials' Union (Wexford Branch) that none of the Rate Collectors had lodged a sum equivalent to the 1935/36 warrant plus arrears carried forward from 1934/35 assessment.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. O'Byrne, it was decided that Collectors be paid at a similar rate to last year, viz., 6d per form for checking abatement forms.

It was decided to refer the application for the payment by the County Council of premiums for Rate Collectors' Fidelity Guarantee Bonds to next meeting of the County Council.

It was pointed out that the amount of the premium paid by each Collector was £5. 12. 6.

It was also decided to point out to the Irish Local Government Officials' Union (Wexford Branch) that Collector M. Murphy had been paid the full amount of poundage fees sanctioned by the Department of Local Government and Public Health.

RATE COLLECTOR MATTHEW MURPHY: In reference to complaint submitted to last meeting from Mr. John Sheil, Ballyhubbock, Kilmuckridge, regarding rates left by him at Mrs. Stamp's. Blackwater for Collector M. Murphy, the Rate Inspector stated that Mr. Sheil contended he left the rates for the Collector at Mrs. Stamp's on 24th December, 1935, and that he (Mr. Sheil) called to Stamp's on 13th January 1936, but found the rates had not been taken up by the Collector. In the meantime he had been served with a summons. Mr. Sheil also wrote that the assistant at Stamp's tole him that the Collector called on several occasions and stated he had no books with him and did not take the money. The Rate Inspector informed the Committee that he had called to Stamp's where they told him they did not know the date on which the money was left. The Assistant told him she did not remember the Rate Collector refusing to accept the rates.

On the motion of Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Colfer, it was decided that no further action be taken in the

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EMPLOYMENT ALLOWANCE CLAIMS: The following letter, under date 25th May 1936 (Circular Letter No. 19/6/36) was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health:-

"I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to inform you that, as notified to you on 6th February (Circular No. 19/1/36), the 16th April must be regarded as the last day for the receipt of employment allowance claims unless the County Council fixes a later date, not being later than the date on which the rate is made. Where the County Council fixes a later date the Minister's sanction should be obtained. In applying for sanction it should be stated that the date fixed was prior to the date on which the rate was made."

It was decided on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne, seconded by Mr. Colfer, to make application to the Minister for sanction that the 16th May, 1936, be regarded as the last date for receipt of employment allowance claim.

SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS

The following letter, under date 25th May, 1936, (H.109530/36-Loch Garman) was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health:-

"With reference to your letter of the 20th instant on the subject, I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to state that he has sanctioned the making by the Wexford County Council of the following advance under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:-

Name. Premises. Amount.

David Murphy. Curraghgraigue, £100."

Ballindaggin.

The following letter under date 29th May, 1936, (H.111012)36 - Loch Garmain), was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health:-

"With reference to your letter of the 22nd instant relative to the proposal of the Wexford County Council to advance the sum of £140 under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts to Mr. Owen Hiney, Rectory Road, Enniscorthy, I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to state that having regard to the market value of the house and to the amount of the grant payable under the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1932, he is of opinion that the amount of the proposed advance is excessive. The documents which accompanied your letter under reply are returned herewith."

It was pointed out that the value of the house and plot in this case was £225; the Government Grant amounted to £70; difference £155. The County Council proposed to advance 90 per cent of £155, viz., £140.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. O'Byrne, it was decided to request the Department of Local Government and Public Health to intimate to the County Council what percentage of the difference between the value of the house and the Government Grant the Minister considered the County Council should advance to applicants for loans under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

Under date 30th May, 1936, the following letter was read from Mr. J. Elgee, County Solicitor:-

"As directed I wrote to the Agricultural Credit Corporation asking them if they would postpone their Charge registered against the Lands on which Mr. Hempenstall proposes to give a Charge to the County Council under the above Acts to the Mortgage which Mr. Hempenstall would execute to the Council to enable the Council to be a first charge against the Lands, and I heard from them this morning stating, that they would be prepared to do this on my submitting a proposed Draft Deed of Postponement to their Solicitor for his approval."

APPLICATION FROM COUNTY REGISTRAR

The following requisition under date 22nd May 1936 furnished by the County Registrar to the County Surveyor was submitted:-

"The linoleum on the floor of my Public Office and the Office of the Sheriff's Department is in a bad state of repair and requires renewing. I understand there is linoleum on the County Council premises available. I shall be obliged if you will have this done.

I also require a large safe for my Public Office, and shall be obliged if you will have same supplied."

It was decided on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the linoleum required in the office of the Sheriff's Department be supplied and that the application for safe be adjourned to next meeting, the County Surveyor in the meantime to obtain further information as to the type of safe required, size, etc.

SANCTION OF LOAN OF £4000 - ROAD RECONSTRUCTION

Under date 23rd May, 1936, the following letter (S.110104/36, Loch Garmain) was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health:-

"With reference to your letter of the 25th ultimo, I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to state that he has sanctioned the raising by the Wexford County Council of a loan of £4,000 to defray expenditure on road reconstruction works; the loan to be obtained from the Council's Treasurer and to be repayable over a period of 10 years with interest at the usual rate.

A signed duplicate of this letter is enclosed for the Treasurer."

PAYING ORDERS FOR INDIVIDUAL ROAD WORKERS

Under date 27th May, 1936, the following letter (R/RM/32) was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads):-

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"With further reference to your letter of 25th instant,

I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and

Public Health to state that he will raise no objection to

expenditure of £50 on clerical assistance in connection with

payment of individual road workers for year ending 31st

December, 1936."

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION

Under date 4th June 1936, the following letter (G.116671/36 - Loch Garman) was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health:-

"With reference to your letter of the 29th ultimo, I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to inform you that, in pursuance of the Local Authorities (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1921, as extended, he has consented to the Wexford County Council borrowing by way of temporary overdraft, for the purpose of providing temporarily for current expenses, a sum not exceeding in the aggregate £30,000 (Thirty thousand pounds).

This sanction extends to the period ending 30th instant."

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S EXPENSES

The County Surveyor submitted the following claim for expenses:-

1935 10th May	Attending Conference of Surveyor L.G.D. in Dublin.	s, £1 : 10 : 0d
12th Februs	New Ross Urban Roads.	£1 : 10 : 0d
17th April	Attending Office of Public Works with County Council Committee re Tacumshane Lake and Courtown Harbour.	£1:10:0d
	Total	£4:10:00.

It was decided on the motion of Mr. Colfer, seconded by Mr. Keegan that the amount claimed be paid.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The following application under date 28th May, 1936, was read from Superintendent William Ryan, Garda Siochana, Enniscorthy:-

"It will be necessary for the purpose of repair of this Bridge to close road to traffic from 1st July to 19th August, 1936, both dates inclusive. I have already published in the Press the necessary notices, and now ask for authority to apply to the Local Government Department for permission to close road to traffic during above period."

The meeting considered that the material should be on the site before the Bridge is closed.

It was decided on the motion of Mr. Colfer, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that application be made to the Department of Local Government and Public Health for permission to close the road over this Bridge to traffic from 1st July, 1936, to 19th August, 1936, both dates inclusive.

COMPENSATION PAID TO GANGER

Regarding reference made at last meeting of Finance
Committee to compensation paid to Ganger Redmond, Curratubbin, the County Surveyor stated that the Assistant
Surveyor for the district, Mr. T. Treanor, was satisfied
that the ganger was working for the County Council when the
accident occurred.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT ACT

It was decided, on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Kelly, to request Mr. J. Elgee, County Solicitor, to submit report as to the obligations of the County Council in connection with the operation of the above Act.

It was decided that the following Committee be appointed to deal with the effect of the Act on County Council workers and that copy of Mr. Elgee's report be submitted to the Committee:-

The Chairman (Mr. D. Allen), the Vice-Chairman (Alderman R. Corish), and Mr. T. McCarthy, with the Secretary, the County Surveyor and the County Solicitor.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. Corish:-

"That the Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 5th June 1936 as submitted to this meeting be received and considered."

RATE COLLECTORS' FIDELITY GUARANTEE BONDS: The Secretary in reply to Col. Quin stated that the premium for each of these bonds was £5. 12. 6d.

Mr. Corish proposed and Mr. Kelly seconded the following resolution:-

"That subject to the sanction of the Department of Local Government and Public Health the Council contribute for each Rate Collector half cost of premium of Fidelity Guarantee Bonds, viz., £2. 16. 3d."

Mr. O'Byrne opposed. The Rate Collectors according to the conditions of their appointment were expected to pay the full cost of fidelity guarantee bond premiums.

Col. Quin was also against the proposal. If this concession was given Rate Collectors it should be also afforded to other officers who had an equally good claim.

A poll was taken with the following result:-

For the motion: - Messrs. Colfer, Corish, Culleton, Cullimore, Cummins, Keegan, Kelly, Lawlor, M. Redmond, Thos. Redmond, Miss O'Ryan and P. Ronan. - 12.

Against:- Messrs. Bowe, Connors, Day, Gibbon, McCarthy, Philip Murphy, O'Byrne, Col. Quin and the Chairman. -9.

Mr. Sweetman (1) did not vote and Messrs. Meyler and Walsh (2) were not present when poll was taken.

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT ACT 1936: Circular Letter under date 5th June 1936 (Circular No. 73/36) relative to above was read for the meeting.

The Secretary stated that the Sub-Committee appointed

in connection with this matter by the Finance Committee would make a detailed report to the Council later.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by the Chairman:-

"That the Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 5th June 1936 be and are hereby confirmed."

KNOCKNASILLOGUE WATER SUPPLY

The following of which he had given previous notice was moved by the Chairman:-

"That the County Council consents to the borrowing by County Wexford Board of Health and Public Assistance of £600 for the purpose of providing a Water Supply at Knock-nasillogue, Gorey District."

(This motion was circulated to members of County Council on 14th April 1936).

In moving his motion the Chairman said that a water supply was very necessary for the districts. This would be provided by a ram. Water was scarce in the district and frequent and pressing representations had been made to the Board of Health to provide a supply. The area of charge would be Oulart Dispensary District plus a small contribution from the County at Large funds.

Mr. Ronan seconded the motion which was adopted nem.con.

RECRUITMENT OF JUNIOR CLERICAL OFFICERS AND TYPISTS

Circular letter under date 25th May 1936 (69/36) was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health.

Miss O'Ryan proposed and Mr. Culleton seconded the following resolution which was adopted unanimously:-

"That we approve of the proposals of the Department of Local Government and Public Health as to the adoption of the standard of examination provided by the Local Appointments Commission for posts of Junior Clerical Officers and Typists, but that actual examination be conducted by Examiners nominated by the County Council."

SHEEP DIPPING ORDER 1915

Under date 2nd June 1936 (E.3309-36), the Department of Agriculture wrote that, with reference to the provisional re-appointment for the dipping periods of the current year of the six Sheep Dipping Inspectors at remuneration of £1 per week each for both dipping periods and refund of actual amount expended for postage incurred in connection with the Sheep Dipping Scheme, it was requested that information should be given as to whether the Inspectors had undertaken to furnish weekly reports, and, when they did, notification of their actual appointment should be sent to the Department.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Col. Quin:-

"That, in view of the fact that the six lay Sheep
Dipping Inspectors have agreed to furnish weekly reports to
the County Council in addition to those forwarded to the
Veterinary Inspectors of the Council, the following Inspectors be re-appointed:-

James Murphy, Coolbawn, Ferns; (for the Electoral Divisions of Ballycarney, Ballymore, Castledockrill, Ferns, Kilbora, Kilcormack, Kilrush, Marshalstown, Moyacomb, Newtownbarry, St. Mary's, The Harrow, Tinnacross, Tombrack and Rossard).

Myles Roban, St. John's Villas, Enniscorthy; (for the Electoral Divisions of Ballindaggin, Ballyhogue, Ballyhus-kard, Ballyvaldon, Bolaboy, Bree, Castleboro, Castle Ellis, Castle Talbot, Clonroche, Edermine, Enniscorthy Rural, Killanne, Killoughrim, Kilmallock, Kiltealy and The Leap).

Patrick Ormonde, Ballyellis, Carnew; (for the Electoral Divisions of Ballylarkin, Ballynestragh, Coolgreany, Cour-

town, Gorey Rural, Gorey Urban, Kilgorman, Kilnahue, Limerick, Monaseed and Wingfield). Thomas Prendergast, Knockskimolin, Oulart; (for the Electoral Divisions of Ardamine, Ballybeg, Ballycanew, Ballyellis, Ballygarrett, Ballyoughter, Cahore, Ford, Huntingtown, Kilcomb, Killenagh, Killincooley, Monamolin, Rossminogue and Wells). Mr. M. J. Hennessy, Monamolin, Rathnure, Enniscorthy, for New Ross District. Mr. James Hayden, Corlican, Killurin, for Wexford District. Remuneration £1 per week for both dipping periods with out-of-pocket expenses of postage." IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION On the motion of Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Culleton, Mr. R. Corish was re-appointed representative of the County Council on the Board of Directors of the Irish Tourist Association. REPORT OF MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL Minutes of Meeting of County Councils' General Council, held on 7th May, 1936, were submitted and approved on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Miss O'Ryan. COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH Under date 2nd June 1936, the following resolution was read from the County Board of Health :-"That the Board of Health have noted Dr. Bastible's absence from their meeting of to-day, and on former occasions; that they have considered his explanation as to noninspection of schools unsatisfactory; that they disapprove of his action regarding attendance at the V.D. Clinic, which was a direct defiance of the Board's order, and as his recent actions have not been such as to inspire confidence they recommend to the County Council and to the Minister the © WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL ARCHIVES

suspension of the Schemes at present in operation and a general investigation by the Ministry's Inspectors of the working of the Department of the Co. Medical Officer of Health."

Under date 6th June, 1936, the following was read from Dr. C. Bastible, County Medical Officer of Health:-

"I wish to apply for the three weeks leave which is due to me for this year. I shall probably be taking it soon but I shall let you know the exact dates as soon as I have made my holiday arrangements."

On the motion of Mr. Corish, seconded by Miss O'Ryan, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That application of Dr. C. Bastible, County Medical Officer of Health, for three weeks' leave be acceded to, leave to be taken as from 10th instant, and to be regarded as sick leave if medical certificate is forthcoming."

"That the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to take any further steps that may be necessary in consultation with the Board of Health."

"That consideration of the resolution of the County
Board of Health, relative to the manner in which this officer
is discharging his duties be adjourned to the Annual Meeting
of the County Council to be held on the 30th June 1936."

Under date 5th June, 1936, the following letter was read from the County Medical Officer of Health:-

"Please stop payment of my cheque for last month as it has been lost."

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Miss O'Ryan, it was decided that Duplicate Paying Order be issued to the County Medical Officer of Health after the lapse of a reasable interval in order to ascertain if the original will be forthcoming.

ROAD MATTERS

ROAD MAINTENANCE GRANT: Under date 27th May, 1936, the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) wrote (R.G.M/32) that a sum of £1841 in respect of Road Maintenance Grant for 1935/36 had been lodged to the credit of the County Council.

CUSH GAP: A very extensively signed memorial was received from the ratepayers of Ballyconigar Upper, requesting the Council to take immediate steps to have a new gap made to the sea shore at Cush, Ballyconigar Upper. Ballyconigar is an ideal seaside resort, but had been handicapped in recent years through want of easy access to the strand. A number of the inhabitants earn their livelihood renting their houses to visitors for the Summer, but, owing to the difficulty of getting to the strand, the number of visitors had been seriously decreasing. Lime burning was carried out in the district, but this also had been greatly hampered by the destruction of the Gap.

A deputation consisting of Messrs. Peter Dempsey, Ballyconigar, Blackwater and Michael Mangan and Thomas O'Brien, Blackwater, came before the meeting to urge the necessity of the work.

Mr. Dempsey acted as spokesman and said that a new road, 50 yards to the south of the present gap could be made through a field of Thomas O'Brien, provided he received reasonable compensation. Twenty families in Ballyconigar kept visitors, principally from Enniscorthy and district. At the present time no house in the district had been set and this was a very great hardship on the people concerned.

The County Surveyor explained that the whole coast there had eroded. At one time, previous to his taking up duty in County Wexford, there was a proper roadway to the sea, but this had been completely washed away. The work

proposed would cost £300 or £400 and, as regards compensation for the land, he thought the Council should be in a position to ascertain the amount before anything was done.

Mr. Dempsey said the new roadway could be made through a field of Mr. O'Brien's.

The Chairman pressed the latter to name a sum which he would be prepared to take for the amount of land necessary for the road but failed to secure any answer from Mr. O'Erien except that he had the field tilled and it was the best land in his possession.

In reply to the Chairman, Mr. Dempsey said he could not give any undertaking that the people of the district would give free labour or help in any other way.

The Chairman said it would depend very much upon what local help would be forthcoming by labour or free land as to whether the Council would push forward the project.

After further discussion, it was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. Colfer:-

"That the following Committee be appointed to visit the site proposed for new gap at Cush, Ballyconigar Upper, and report to the County Council thereon: - Messrs. Kinsella, McCarthy, Kelly, Smyth, and Miss O'Ryan with the County Surveyor."

Passed.

ENNISCORTHY-BLACKWATER ROAD: An extensively signed memorial was submitted from ratepayers and users of Enniscorthy-Blackwater Road asking to have the road attended to immediately. The surface was in a deplorable condition, and, if money for its steamrolling was not at the moment forthcoming, the "potholes" which were very numerous and dangerous should be seen to at once.

The County Surveyor pointed out that the first part of this road near Enniscorthy and the part near Blackwater

were link roads, while the middle section passing through the Ballagh, between Castle Ellis and Blackwater, was only an ordinary County road and was in poor condition. It was very narrow and there were several extremely bad and dangerous turns. As he said, the middle section was very bad but the only thing they could do at the moment, owing to the state of the road finances was to fill the "potholes", and, even with only doing that, all the money would be expended by November.

Col. Gibbon urged they should apply for a State Grant to carry out the necessary work on this road.

Miss O'Ryan said that, in view of the increased money which was to be provided by the State this year for the relief of unemployment, she considered that the County Surveyor should arrange a list of places at which he considers unemployment was most pronounced and where it was most necessary to expend money for road repair.

It was decided to refer Miss O'Ryan's suggestion to the County Surveyor for his attention to submit tentative proposals to the next meeting of the Finance Committee.

Col. Gibbon proposed:- "That the County Surveyor communicate with the Tourist Association and ask them to approach the Government with a view to having some repairs carried out by the County Council from State Grant to Enniscorthy-Blackwater road via The Ballagh."

Mr. Kinsella seconded.

Passed.

MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES: It was decided that applications relating to Templederry Lane; cleaning of river at Raheen, Clonroche; and laneway at Ballylacey be listed for favourable consideration when money is available under Minor Relief Schemes Vote.

ROADWAY AT GRUGANE: Under date 4th June 1936, resolution was submitted from Broadway and Tacumshane Fianna Fail

Cumann asking the County Council to make a roadway to Grugane as the right of way was washed away by flooding of lake and storms during the Winter and the place was inaccessible to residents and school children except through the land. A danger signal was also necessary at Carne School on account of the dangerous crossing.

Mr. Birthistle, Assistant Surveyor for the district, said that the road complained of was really to the foreshore of Tacumshane Lake and could not be repaired until the latter was drained. It would be included under the Relief Scheme after the draining of the lake as he intended to combine these two works. It would cost only about £20.

In reply to Col. Gibbon, the County Surveyor said as regards the drainage of Tacumshane Lake, Mr. Candy, Chief Engineer of the Office of Public Works had informed him that if anything were done before Autumn it would mean the ponding back of the water on to the tilled land of the people in the neighbourhood of the lake. He, however, expected a formal report from Mr. Candy in the meantime.

Col. Gibbon spoke at some length as to the necessity of obtaining an advance Grant to ensure a proper opening while the lake was very low. He proposed that the Office of Public Works be asked to provide a sum of £150 as an advance Grant to open out tunnel at Tacumshane Lake which would be available when the bigger work at the lake would be in progress and would provide facilities when dealing with the general cutting of the banks at Tacumshane.

Mr. Culleton seconded the resolution which was passed.

In reply to Mr. Culleton, the County Surveyor said that Mr. Candy was not in favour of the tunnel, nor was he (County Surveyor). They could never deal with the water unless they had a solid bank. As the present bank was porous, more water would come in through the tunnel than would flow out.

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APPLICATION PERMISSION TO ERECT WALL: Under date 26th May, 1936, Mr. Michael Kelly, Riverchapel, Courtown Harbour, wrote, asking for permission to erect a wall in front of his house, four feet out from the walls of the house, 29 feet long and 3 feet high. His intention was to have a small flower garden in front and provide protection for his children. The street of Riverchapel, though very wide, had become very dangerous through increased motor traffic and the erection of the wall would ensure the safety of his children.

On the motion of Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Corish, the application was referred to the County Surveyor for report.

NO. 4 OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEE

Under date 12th May, 1936, letter was read from No. 4
Old Age Pension Sub-Committee, recommending the appointment
of Mr. D. W. Butler, Courtown Harbour, as a member of that
Sub-Committee, vice Mr. K. MacNeill, who was leaving the
County.

On the motion of Mr. Ronan seconded by Miss O'Ryan, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That Mr. D. W. Butler, Courtown Harbour, be appointed a member of No. 4 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee vice Mr. K. McNeill."

POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT LICENCES

On the motion of Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Colfer, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That renewals of licences under Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, issue to:-

James J. Codd, 26/27 Court Street, Enniscorthy.

James J. Hennessy, South Street, New Ross.

Richard Breen, Commercial Quay, Wexford."

APPLICATION LICENCE FOR PETROL PUMP

Under date 13th May, 1936, Mr. James Carroll, Taghmon, applied for licence for petrol pump.

Approved, on the motion of Miss O'Ryan, seconded by Col. Gibbon, provided plan showing exact position as regards kerb and centre of the road and exact distance from same is furnished County Surveyor for his approval. And also provided the County Surveyor approves of site and that tank is not placed under road.

PROTECTION OF WILD BIRDS

Under date 24th May 1936, the following letter was read from Mr. C. B. Moffat, Hon. Secretary, The Irish Society for the Protection of Birds:-

"On behalf of the Committee of this Society I write to ask you to lay before your Council the fact that the Order protecting the eggs of certain Wild Birds in County Wexford (No. 23 of 1933) expires with the close of the present year.

It is highly important that the Minister for Justice should be asked to renew this Order before the beginning of the nesting season of 1937. The birds to which it relates are the puffin, guillemot, razorbill, kittiwake, shearwater shelduck, rock-dove, oyster-catcher, lapwing, peregrine falcon, raven and tern. There is another Order in force in your County (No. 12 of 1931) protecting the eggs of the chough, fulman peterel, gannet, kingfisher and turtle dove; but this does not call for renewal, as it does not expire.

These Orders have for the past six years been of the highest value, especially on the Saltee Islands, where the vigorous manner in which they have been kept in force by the Gardai has gained for the islands a world-wide reputation as a sanctuary for breeding birds, and has led to the return of several species that had previously disappeared from them.

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Hoping that the Council will take the necessary steps towards getting the Order of 1933 renewed."

Col. Gibbon said he would give the necessary notice of motion to carry out the request of the Irish Society for the Protection of Birds for consideration at the Annual Meeting of the County Council to be held on 30th June, 1936.

MENTAL DEFECTIVES

Resolution was read from Grangegorman Mental Hospital

Joint Committee as to Mental Defectives and Sane Epileptics

being dealt with in suitable institutions or centres.

The Chairman stated that, at the present moment, an investigation was taking place into this matter by a Commission.

The resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Kelly.

Signed. The Alla 30th fun o 36

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WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

ANNUAL MEETING 30th JUNE 1936.

MINUTES

County Hall, WEXFORD.

N. J. FRIZELLE, Secretary, Wexford Co. Council. The annual meeting of Wexford County Council was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 30th June, 1936.

Present:- Mr. D. Allen, Chairman (presiding), also,
Messrs. J. J. Bowe, Patk. Colfer, R. Corish, C. Culleton,
Wm. Cullimore, John Cummins, John Day, Col. C.M. Gibbon,
W. P. Keegan, John P. Kelly, Wm. Kinsella, James Lawler,
T. J. Meyler, Sean O'Byrne, Miss N. O'Ryan, Ml. Redmond,
Thos. Redmond, Patk. Ronan, Myles Smyth and Malachi
Sweetman.

The Secretary, County Surveyor, County Solicitor and the five Assistant Surveyors were also in attendance.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

PAYMENTS

Treasurer's Advice Notes for the following sums were examined and signed: Ordinary Payments £7992. 6. 6d; Transfers to Public Bodies £22085. 5. Od., and loan transfers £973. 7. Od.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Mr. Cummins proposed the following resolution:
"That Mr. Denis Allen be re-elected Chairman of

Wexford County Council for the ensuing year and that he
hold office until his successor has been appointed and has
taken office."

In moving his motion, Mr. Cummins said he had expressed his pleasure on two former occasions when he proposed Mr. Allen for the chair. On the present occasion, he felt even a greater pleasure in recommending his selection to the Council. He was quite sure it would be recognised that words were unnecessary since Mr. Allen as Chairman had given the greatest satisfaction in the discharge of his duties. He had been most kind and courteous to every

Miss O'Ryan said they all recognised the wonderful service Mr. Doyle had given to the Council, and how whole-heartedly he had worked for its welfare. They certainly wished him a speedy return to participate in their deliberations.

The Chairman wished to associate himself with the tribute paid to Mr. Doyle. His absence was the biggest loss the Council had sustained for a considerable time. Although he and Mr. Doyle did not agree on some points he certainly recognised the wonderful ability and acumen that Mr. Doyle had voted to the affairs of the Council. He hoped that Mr. Doyle's health would speedily improve and that he would be once again with them as of old.

THE LATE MR. M. J. DOYLE, MAIN STREET, GOREY.

On the motion of Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mr. Keegan, it was decided that the following letter from Mr. Smyth, County Councillor, thanking the Council for their resolution of sympathy in the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. M. J. Doyle, Gorey, be inserted on the minutes of this day's meeting:-

"Will you please convey to the members of the County Council my very sincere thanks for their kind vote of sympathy with me in my recent bereavement. I also wish to thank yourself for your personal sympathy."

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 19th June, 1936, were submitted as follows:-

The fortnightly meeting of Finance Committee was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 19th June, 1936.

Present:- Messrs. P. Colfer, W. Cullimore, W. P. Keegan, John P. Kelly, Wm. Kinsella, Sean O'Byrne and Miss O'Ryan.

The Secretary, Assistant Secretary, County Surveyor, County Solicitor and Rates Inspector were also in attendance.

On the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. O'Byrne, the chair was taken by Miss O'Ryan.

The Chairman (Mr. Allen) and Vice-Chairman (Mr. Corish) attended after confirmation of Minutes of last meeting, and the Chairman presided for the rest of the meeting.

PAYMENTS

Treasurer's Advice Note for £3923. 10. 11d was examined and signed.

RATE COLLECTION

CLOSE OF: The Secretary reported that since last meeting of the Committee he had communicated with any Rate Collector who had not lodged a sum equivalent to net amount of warrant for 1935/36, pointing out that arrears should be reduced before the present meeting of the Committee. The amounts of the Collectors' Temporary Uncollectable Lists were reduced since the last meeting by £421. 3. 10d. The total amount of the arrears proposed to be carried forward amounted to £17,240. 13. 2d.

Temporary Uncollectable Lists having been examined, it was decided that the amounts set out thereon be carried forward for collection with 1936/37 warrants as follows:-

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It was agreed that the following amounts be struck off as irrecoverable:-

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It was decided on the motion of the Chairman that lists of outstanding arrears be printed and circulated to Councillors.

It was further decided that Rates Inspector pay particular attention to any Collection District in which the amount of the arrears had increased by £50 as compared with last year.

ARREARS OF RATES: In reference to £337. 11. 8 arrears due on holding of Mernagh's, Ballyhogue, Mr. Gannon, Rate Collector for No. 10 area wrote that Mr. Bolger, Solicitor, had informed him he would be prepared to pay two years' Rates if the balance was struck out. This would amount to £189. 17. 11d.

The following order was made: - Mr. Gannon to be informed that in this case the Finance Committee see no reason why the full amount due should not be collected.

PROPOSED AMALGAMATION OF COLLECTION DISTRICTS: Under date 10th June 1936 the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote (G.107471-36 Loch Garman) that in view of the fact that on 31st May 1936 22 per cent of Warrant was outstanding in district No. 6 and 9 per cent in district No. 10 the Minister would await information as to the amounts of the 1935-36 warrants declared to be irrecoverable and temporarily uncollectable before deciding if the assignment of the amalgamated districts to Collector Gannon would be sanctioned.

Letter was read from Collector Gannon under date 17th
June 1936, stating he had done his best to secure a satisfactory close to the collection, but had not been able to
secure another penny out of any of the ratepayers in arrear.
A large amount of the arrears in No. 10 District was on
Mernagh's holding in Ballyhogue, the amount due being
£337. 11. 8d.

"There are four holdings out of which I got no rates two of these are derelict and I have instalment orders
against the other two. In two other cases, I got roughly
half year's rates. One of these is now derelict and the
other is managed by Auctioneer who is doing his best as
between rent and rates. In all other cases, I got one
year's rates and over. I may mention that everything
possible was done during the year to reduce arrears all
round. In these circumstances, I trust your Council will
use its best endeavour to have the amalgamation of the two
districts sanctioned by the Department. As you know, they
are now two of the smallest districts in the County and

when I was appointed to No. 10 district, the rate in the £ was nearly double what it is now allowing for the Agricultural Grant."

It was decided to send Collector Gannon's explanation to the Minister with a request from the Finance Committee that the proposed amalgamation of Districts Nos. 6 and 10 be sanctioned.

COLLECTION DISTRICT NO. 7: Under date 17th June 1936 the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote (G.128356/36 Loch Garman) that the Minister would raise no objection to the terms and conditions proposed in connection with the filling of the vacant Rate Collectorship in No. 7 District.

TEMPORARY RATE CLERKS' EMPLOYMENT: It was decided that T. O'Leary, John Street, Wexford, and Michael Kirwan, Enniscorthy, be employed at work on Rate Books.

It was reported that Edward Brennan, temporary Rate Clerk, had left Wexford to take up permanent employment.

Under date 15th June, Mr. P. Nolan, Rate Collector as Hon. Secretary to County Rate Collectors' Association wrote that at a meeting of the Collectors on 10th June it was decided in connection with the work of obtaining the number of each qualification certificate issued under the Unemployment Assistance Act 1933 that unless the Collectors received at least one shilling and sixpence for each workman named on each Employment Form they could not see their way to carry out the work. It was also decided to send a deputation from the meeting to next meeting of the Finance Committee.

Messrs. J. Cummins and P. Nolan attended as a deputation. The former, who acted a spokesman, said that extra great difficulty would be experienced by the Collectors in when Collector visited a farmer's place the workman might be down "through the land" or in town and even when found, he might not be able to lay his hand on the card. Then he might be at home and on onterview with him the Collector might find the card not available. Then some men would have left their former employers and numbers would not have been registered at all.

The following resolution was adopted: "That as regards procuring the numbers of qualification certificates: of workmen by Rate Collectors, we request the Department of Industry and Commerce to have facilities afforded Rate Collectors to inspect the Unemployment Registers at Local Employment Exchanges with a view to obtaining the numbers of qualification certificates of workmen in respect of whom employment allowances have been made in Rate Assessments.

That, in our opinion, any remuneration to be paid to Rate Collectors for this work should be provided from State funds.

That other County Councils be asked what steps they have taken in this matter including amount of remuneration (if any) allowed Rate Collectors.

That copy of this resolution be furnished Departments of Local Government and Public Health and of Industry and Commerce."

APPLICATION RE RATES: Under date 17th June 1936, Messrs.

Huggard, Brennan and Godfrey, Solicitors, Wexford, wrote
that Mr. Wm. C. Walker, Ballybrennan, Killinick had purchased holding at Ballybrennan from John Redmond and though
there was a considerable sum due for rates on the place
they held Mr. Walker was liable for payment of two years'
only.

It was decided to adjourn consideration of this

application to next meeting of Finance Committee. Meantime, Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor is to ascertain (a) date
of purchase of holding by Mr. Walker; (b) amount paid; (c)
Redmond's address; (d) Has Mr. Walker paid Land Commission
annuity for this holding and if so, for how long? Copy
of letter to be sent Rate Collector of the District for his
observations.

APPLICATION TEMPORARY CLERKS AT RATE WORK: The eighteen temporary clerks engaged in writing up Rate Books and Receipt and Demand Note Books, made application for increase of remuneration from 1/- to 1/6 per hour; also that they should be allowed to work 44 hour week in which a holyday occurs.

Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor said that if this application was to be considered it should be done through notice of motion.

Mr. Kelly said he would give notice of motion for the County Council meeting of 30th June 1936 that the application be granted.

EMPLOYMENT CLAIMS - EXTENTION PERIOD: Under date 16th
June 1936 the Department of Local Government and Public
Health wrote that the Minister would raise no objection to
the extension up to the 16th May of the period for the
receipt of employment claims in connection with Agricultural
Grant Employment Allowance as requested by the Co. Council.

SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS

Samuel McCutcheon, Coolbrook, Wellingtonbridge, applied for £300 loan for £500 house.

On the motion of Mr. Colfer seconded by Mr. Kelly, it was decided that loan of £300 less amount of Government Grant be advanced to Mr. McCutcheon.

The Secretary reported that loan of £155 was agreed to be advanced to Patrick Byrne for house at Blackstoops, © WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL ARCHIVES

Enniscorthy. This man erected the house, but no money had been paid over to him.

Mr. Kelly proposed and Mr. Colfer seconded the following resolution:-

"That loan of £155 agreed to be advanced to Patrick

Byrne for house at Blackstoops, Enniscorthy, be transferred

to Daniel Sullivan, Ballyeland, Davidstown."

Passed.

In regard to sub-tenancy for house erected by Wickham at Tomnalosset, Mr. Elgee, in reply to Mr. Kelly, stated he had this matter in hands.

Under date 8th June, 1936, the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Housing Section) wrote (H.116770/36 Loch Garman) that the proposal to advance £100 under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts to Dominick Cosgrave in respect of house to be erected at Cahore, Gorey, had been approved by the Minister.

WARBLE FLY (TREATMENT OF CATTLE) ORDER 1936

Under date 9th June, 1936, the Department of Agriculture wrote (E.4224/36) that arrangements should be made to dispense with the services of the temporary Warble Fly Inspectors, as and from the 30th June 1936 and that all returns and reports required of them under the Order should be furnished not later than this date.

The Secretary stated the instructions of the Department in this matter had been complied with.

In connection with sample of Warble Fly Powder taken at premises of Mr. Alphonsus Thornton, Chemist, Market Square, Enniscorthy, the Department of Agriculture wrote under date 8th June (E.1012/36) that the question as to whether the powder sold by Mr. Thornton was genuine or otherwise, was not directly at issue. It was in connection with the requirement that approved preparations should

be sold in sealed packages, bearing thereon certain printed matter, including an intimation of approval by the Minister for Agriculture, that any action should be taken by the local Authority. The nature of this action whether to institute proceedings against Mr. Thornton or to warn him against any further infringements of the Order, was a matter for the County Council.

The Secretary stated that a warning had been issued to Mr. Thornton by Mr. Elgee, County Council Solicitor.

The Secretary stated that under date 12th June, 1936, Mr. F. S. Ringwood, M.R.C.V.S., Enniscorthy, wrote stating he had another sample of powder given him by the Inspector of No. 4 Area (W. Brien) which did not comply with the regulations.

In reply to a request by the Secretary, Mr. Ringwood forwarded on the 17th June, 1936, sample of this powder, taken up at Mr. Masterson's, Garrybrit, and which was said to have been purchased locally a month previously.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor, was in communication with Mr. Ringwood in the matter.

PROPOSED LOAN FOR COUNTY COUNCIL BUILDINGS

Under date 5th June, 1936, the Manager, National Bank, Wexford, wrote that as regards loan of £4,151 (to be repaid over a period of 15 years) for the purpose of purchasing ground rent of the premises on which the County Buildings were erected, he had received a reply from his Board that the Bank could not depart from the Banks Standing Committee's decision in this matter, and would not agree that the rate of Interest for redemption of the loan would be 4% fixed. The Interest would have to be ½% under Irish Banks' Rate, varying with a minimum of 4%.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Mr. Kelly:-

"That the County Council be recommended to procure (subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health) loan of £4151 to redeem ground rent of premises on which County Buildings have been erected on the terms of letter of Manager of National Bank, Wexford (County Council Treasurer) under date 5th June, 1936."

REVISIONS OF VALUATION

The various applications for annual revisions of valuation were submitted to the meeting and approved for transmission to General Valuation Office on the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. Colfer.

ROSSLARE SEWERAGE - GOLF HOTEL PROJECTION

Under date 13th June, 1936, Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor. wrote that on the 30th May, 1932, the question of this projection came before the County Council, on consideration of Report of a Committee appointed to consider the matter, as to whether Mr. Sinnott, proprietor of Golf Hotel, should be called upon to remove the structure adjoining his hotel at Rosslare Strand in so far as it encroached within the limited distance from the centre of the public road. was then decided after a long discussion that no action be taken, provided Mr. Sinnott gave an undertaking that the premises so erected would never be used as a Bar for sale of intoxicating liquor. This undertaking had been kept. Having regard to this resolution of the Council and to the fact that no steps had been taken to compel Mr. Sinnott to remove the building since 1932, Mr. Elgee was of opinion that the County Council could not now compel Mr. Sinnott to remove it, as by their resolution of the 30th May, 1932. they had, to all intents, waived their rights to call for its removal.

The following resolution was adopted:-

"That the Finance Committee considers it inadvisable to proceed further with the proposal to remove the projection at the Golf Hotel, Rosslare, and are of opinion that an alternative route which would not require any interference with the building in question, could be secured for the laying of the sewerage pipes."

LEAVE OF COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

The following letter under date 9th June, 1936, was read from Dr. C. Bastible, County Medical Officer of Health:

"I received your letter of the 9th instant regarding my application for leave. I suggested to you in my original application of the 6th instant that I would let you know later the exact dates.

I now apply for my annual three weeks leave beginning the 1st July and ending on the 22nd July and I appoint Dr.

T. J. O'Sullivan as my locum. Dr. O'Sullivan is at present doing duty in Co. Donegal but he will be free at the end of this month.

With regard to putting an application for sick leave, you may not be aware that I consulted a specialist while in Switzerland and he certified me to be perfectly well. Consequently, I cannot conscientiously ask any medical man to give me a certificate stating that I am not well.

Mr. Colfer proposed and Mr. Kinsella seconded the following resolution which was adopted:-

"That the Minister for Local Government and Public
Health be requested to sanction three weeks leave of absence
to Dr. C. Bastible, Co. Medical Officer of Health, as from
lst July 1936, and that Dr. T. J. O'Sullivan, DP.H. be
appointed as substitute during Dr. Bastible's absence,
remuneration £10. 10. 0 per week with allowance for vouched
travelling expenses at rate of £200 per annum."

"That the resolution from County Board of Health as to the manner in which the work of the Department of the

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County Medical Officer of Health is being carried out, be referred for consideration to the annual meeting of the County Council."

"That the correspondence received from County Board of Health and from Dr. Bastible in reference to this matter and also as to leave of County Medical Officer of Health be furnished to the Department of Local Government and Public Health for their information."

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

In connection with application of Patrick Robert
Doyle, Pavilion, Rosslare Strand, to be deemed eligible to
compete for University Scholarship, the Council at their
last meeting decided that as his father had a certain amount
of taxable income, this candidate was debarred from availing
of any benefit under the Scheme.

Mr. Corish explained that Mrs. Doyle had not lived with her husband for a number of years, and that she was the guardian and only support of the children. Her means were very small and it would be absolutely impossible for her to provide University education for her son.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Corish seconded by Miss O'Ryan:-

"That provided new application form under University; Scholarship Scheme be lodged for Patrick R. Doyle, Pavilion, Rosslare Strand by his mother as his guardian, the County Council be recommended to regard him as eligible to compete for said Scholarship."

Representations were received from James Kelly, 53
South Main Street, Wexford, father of Johanna M. Kelly, and Michael Murphy, Cushinstown N.S., father of Michael Murphy, two applicants for University Scholarships declared ineligible to compete as their parents were in receipt of taxable income.

The Finance Committee directed the Secretary to point out to Messrs. Kelly and Murphy that the County Council had adopted a resolution that the children of persons who were in receipt of any taxable income, could not be regarded as eligible to compete for University Scholarships.

RELIEF WORKS

Mr. Corish proposed that the County Council should communicate with Office of Public Works, and ask them how they proposed to distribute the very considerable sum which had been set aside for Relief Works this year, and also for information as to the nature of the works that would be eligible for this grant.

Mr. Colfer seconded and the motion was passed.

The County Surveyor said he had already consulted that day with the Assistant Surveyors in this matter. They went into the proposed Schemes and the class of works they would put forward to avail of the Grant. He noticed that on any single work they could spend now up to £300; previously, £40 or £50 was the maximum.

GOREY LIVE STOCK POUND

Mr. Elgee submitted letter from Messrs. Huggard,
Brennan and Godfrey, Solicitors, Gorey, under date 16th June
1936, stating that their client, John Valentine, Courtkeeper,
would be prepared to sell the Pound in Gorey, and perhaps
the County Council might submit an offer in this connection.

The County Surveyor mentioned that the County Registrar required other pounds as well as that in Gorey.

It was decided to refer the matter of pounds generally including the question of Gorey pound to the County Surveyor for report.

INSURANCE MATTERS

The County Surveyor stated that he had with an Inspector from the Insurance Company and the County Solicitor, tant Surveyors and the carriage of explosives. It would mean an increase of 25% on their present Insurance policies. He had arranged for temporary cover.

It was decided on the motion of the Chairman, seconded Mr. Colfer, that the County Surveyor submit proposals in this matter, and also as to the question of potential liability policy to cover damage caused by carters hauling materials for the County Council to the next meeting of the County Council.

SHEEP DIBPING ORDER 1915

The Department of Agriculture wrote under date 15th June 1936 (E.3309/36) that they noted that in view of the Inspectors concerned having undertaken to furnish weekly reports, these officers had been re-appointed for the two dipping periods of 1936.

Weekly reports to date under above Order from Inspectors were submitted to the meeting.

SAFE FOR COUNTY REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

Under date 18th June, 1936, the County Surveyor wrote that he had obtained particulars of safes and submitted them to the County Registrar who had the selection under consideration. The Registrar pointed out he had difficulty in allocating space for the safe and suggested the adjournment of the matter pending decision regarding the necessity for two courts of Justice.

Adjourned.

BLASTING IN CORRIGANEAGH QUARRY

Undated letter was received from Bessie Steacy,
Corriganeagh, Gorey, that three settings of geese, two
settings of turkeys, as well as settings of hens had been
destroyed owing to blasting work in Corriganeagh quarry
adjoining her dwelling. They were the only property her

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sister and she had to dress with and keep themselves. In the circumstances she looked to the County Council for compensation.

The County Surveyor stated he had forwarded copy of this letter to the Insurance Company. There had been a somewhat similar claim some years ago, which had been allowed by the Company.

It was decided to refer the matter to Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL APPLICATION

The Garda Siochana, New Ross district, wrote under date 13th June, 1936, that application would be made at New Ross district Court on 23rd June 1936, under the Childrens' Act 1908, Section 58(b) to have Michael Foley, of Ballyrue, New Ross, 11 years, committed to Industrial School.

Referred to Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor.

BINDING COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

On the motion of Mr. Colfer, seconded by Mr. Keegan, the quotation of Messrs. J. English & Co., Commercial Quay, Wexford, to bind Minutes of the Council for 1935 at 17/6 (same price as last year) was accepted.

APPLICATION RE BUILDING OF HOUSE

Edward Kehoe, Tullycanna, Ballymitty, wrote applying for permission to erect a car house adjoining his residence.

Referred to County Surveyor.

APPLICATION RE ERECTION OF WALL

Letter from Michael Kelly, Riverchapel, Courtown, as to erection of wall in front of his house, was referred to the County Surveyor for report.

SANCTION TEMPORARY FILING CLERK

Under date 5th June, 1936, the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote (G.116665/36 Loch Garman) sanctioning the employment of Miss Ellen Hore, as filing clerk etcl, on a temporary basis, for two months at rate of 25/© WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL ARCHIVES

On the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. Colfer, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That Minutes of Finance Committee in respect of meeting held on 19th June, 1936, as submitted to this meeting, be received and considered."

RATE COLLECTION, CLOSE OF: The following table showing arrears of Rate Collection carried forward to 1936/37
Warrant was submitted:-

		Arrears ca forward to Warrant.		Percentage of Arrears.
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	Total.	17240.	13. 2	14.9

The Secretary stated that the arrears showed an increase over those carried forward last year of £483. 4. 6d. Included in the amount was approximately £10,000 of old rates carried forward for a number of years past, and which were regarded as irrecoverable.

APPLICATION TEMPORARY CLERKS AT RATE BOOK WORK: In connection with application of temporary clerks for an increase of 50% in their remuneration, the following motion of which he had given previous notice was submitted from Mr. Kelly:-

"That the application of Temporary Rate Clerks for an increase in their remuneration from 1/- to 1/6 per hour be agreed to."

which the temporary assistants were called on to carry out.

Mr. Corish proposed that the increase as from last meeting of Finance Committee be 12d per hour, which would provide remuneration up to £2. 9. 6d per week. This would be 6d less than what the Wexford Corporation were paying labourers.

Mr. Kelly withdrew his motion and seconded that of Mr. Corish.

Mr. Cummins pointed out that as the work of writing up rate books and receipt and demand notes was practically complete, the matter should be adjourned till next year, when it could be considered at the time of the question of the employment of Rate Clerks.

He moved a resolution to this effect which was seconded by Mr. Bowe.

On a show of hands 13 voted in favour of Mr. Cummins! amendment and 4 against.

The amendment, on being put as the substantive motion, was passed without dissent.

LEAVE COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH: Under date 27th June, 1936, the following was read from Dr. T.J. O'Sullivan, M.B., 16, Northumberland Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin:-

"Dr. C. Bastible, County Medical Officer of Health, is suffering from nervous debility. He will need at least two months' leave of absence."

Miss O'Ryan proposed and Mr. Colfer seconded the

following resolution:-

"That in accordance with Medical Certificate submitted to this meeting, two months' leave as from 27th June, 1936, be granted to Dr. C. Bastible, County Medical Officer of Health."

Under date 9th June, 1936, the Department of Local Government and Public Health wrote (P.H.122840-36 Loch Garman Ae) stating that the proposal of the County Council to grant 3 weeks leave of absence to Dr. Bastible, County Medical Officer of Health had been approved.

Under date 24th June, 1936, the Board of Health and Public Assistance wrote suggesting that a Diary of the work carried out by the department of the County Medical Officer of Health be submitted monthly to the Board or to the County Council.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Mr. Kelly:-

"That County Medical Officer of Health be instructed to furnish monthly diary of work to the County Board of Health and that the latter call the attention from time to time of the County Council to any exceptional circumstances which may be mentioned in the report."

The consideration of resolution of the County Board of Health and Public Assistance adopted at meeting of 2nd June, 1936, as the unsatisfactory manner in which the County Medical Officer of Health had been performing his duty was on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Mr. Corish adjourned until the expiration of the two months' leave of absence granted that day to the officer in question.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME: In connection with the application of Patrick Robert Doyle, Pavilion, Rosslare Strand, to be regarded as eligible for competition for University Scholarship, the following resolution, of which

Mr. Culleton seconded.

Under date 29th June, 1936, Mrs. Doyle wrote that the only means she had to keep herself and two children were £1. 12. O which she received from her husband.

The motion was adopted without dissent.

GOREY LIVE STOCK POUND: It was decided that Mr. Elgee, County Solicitor, ask Messrs. Huggard, Brennan and Godfrey to furnish Abstract of Title of Mr. Valentine to Gorey Pound

INSURANCE MATTERS: The County Surveyor stated he would submit quotations to next meeting of the Finance Committee.

APPLICATION ERECTION OF WALL: Under date 22nd June, 1936, Mr. Treanor, Assistant Surveyor, wrote recommending that permission for the erection of this wall at Riverchapel be given by the County Council. The house, being somewhat under road level, the wall would prevent surface water from the road lying near the door. A proposal to make a path opposite all the houses in this part of the village of Riverchapel had been before the County Council, but was not approved. If the remainder of the residents decided to erect a wall as proposed by Mr. Kelly, there would be no necessity for the path.

The County Surveyor said it would be a different proposition if all the residents decided to erect walls at the place as they would have a uniform line. But if there was to be a wall for one house only the projection would be awkward, and might interfere with the development of the village later.

It was decided on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Mr. Colfer that the following Sub-Committee be appointed to visit the place and report, viz., The Chairman, Messrs. O'Byrne, Keegan and Smyth with the County Surveyor and Mr. Treanor, Assistant Surveyor for the district.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Cummins seconded by Mr. Colfer:-

"That the several resolutions on the Minutes of the Finance Committee of the 19th June 1936 as submitted to this meeting be and the same are hereby confirmed and approved."

POUNDAGE TO COLLECTORS

Mr. T. Redmond proposed that representations be made to the Department of Local Government and Public Health to allow poundage to be paid Rate Collectors on amounts collected and lodged up to date of present meeting. Collectors E. J. Murphy and J. Curtis had worked to the last ounce to secure full payment of their rates but had not reached the figure required by the Minister.

Mr. Colfer seconded.

The Secretary pointed out that the Finance Committee had agreed on several occasions that Collectors should lodge an amount equivalent to current warrant, with the full amount of last year's arrears.

The Chairman pointed out that in his interview with an Official of the Department of Local Government, it had been stated on more than one occasion that counties which were

supposed to be much poorer than Co. Wexford had nearly all their rates lodged, and also that the arrears in County Wexford were exceptionally high.

Mr. T. Redmond held that it was unfair not to recognise the work of really good Collectors. The collection would be more satisfactory if they were not penalised by others who were not so energetic.

The resolution was adopted.

PRINTING LISTS OF OUTSTANDING RATES

Two tenders were received for printing lists of outstanding rates from People Newspapers, Ltd. at £13. 14. 6 and Redmond Bros., Enniscorthy at £15.

On the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Kelly, it was decided that the tender of the People at £13. 14. 6 be accepted.

RATE ABATEMENTS

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Mr. Kelly:-

"That this Council agrees to amount of abatement of rates for persons at work on holdings and as appearing on employment forms for year ending 31st December 1935."

RATE COLLECTORS' FIDELITY GUARANTEE BONDS

Under date 19th January, 1936, the Minister for Local Government and Public Health wrote (G.126414/36 Loch Garman) that he would raise no objection to half the annual cost of each Rate Collector's Fidelity Guarantee Bond beingborne by the Council.

SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITIONS ACTS - DEMAND NOTES

On the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Cummins the following resolution was adopted:-

"That Collector Gannon be appointed temporarily for

No. 6 District and Collector J. Deegan temporarily for
No. 7 District (pending sanction) to enable Demand Notes
in connection with Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts to be
served without delay."

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT ACT 1936

The following report of Special Committee appointed to consider the provisions of the above Act was submitted and approved on the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. Culleton:-

A Meeting of the Sub-Committee appointed to consider how the County Council was affected by the Conditions of Employment Act 1936, was held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on 22nd June, 1936.

Present:- Mr. D. Allen, Chairman Wexford County Council, presiding and Mr. R. Corish.

The County Secretary, County Surveyor and County Solicitor were also present.

Copy of letter of Department of Local Government and Public Health under date 5th June 1936 (No. 73/36) explanatory of the main provisions of the Act and copy of report of County Solicitor on the same lines had been circulated to Members of the Committee.

The various sections of the Act having been examined, the County Surveyor was instructed to have the necessary directions issued to Assistant Surveyors and Gangers.

HOLIDAYS: As regards the six holidays provided for workers it was decided that the County Council be recommended to substitute the following Scheduled days:-

For St. Stephen's Day - First January.

For Easter Monday - Ascension Thursday.

For Whit Monday - Corpus Christi.

For First Monday in August - 15th August.

If any substituted holiday falls upon a Sunday the most convenient of the following four Church holidays to be taken instead:-

29th June; 1st November; 8th December or 6th January.

ANNUAL LEAVE: As regards annual six days' leave, it was agreed owing to the fact that so many different classes of men according to the Act have to be dealt with that it was advisable to leave the matter to the discretion of the County Surveyor.

The County Council workers - up to the operation of the Act - worked a 50 hour week, but in view of the passing of the Statute this has been reduced to a week of 48 hours.

It was decided that during "Summer" time work should begin at 8.20 a.m. to 6 p.m. and at the conclusion of "Summer" time the dinner interval should be reduced to 30 minutes leaving the working period from 8 a.m. to 5.10 p.m. with the 30 minutes interval. On Saturdays work will start at 8.20 p.m. and finish at 1 p.m. for "Summer" time and from 8 a.m. to 12.40 p.m. for the rest of the year.

PIECE WORK: The County Surveyor pointed out that only a small amount of piece work was carried out under the Council while there was a series of regulations governing it. In the main these applied only to factories or works in which piece work was general and some of the regulations could only be applied to County Council workers with difficulty.

It was decided that the County Council should submit for the approval of the Minister for Industry and Commerce a scheme dealing with the piece work in which the Council were concerned, for the purpose of obtaining a permit under Section 19(2).

WILD BIRDS PROTECTION ACT

The following motion, of which he had given previous notice was moved by Col. Gibbon seconded by Mr. Corish and passed nem. con.:-

"That the Minister for Justice be requested to renew Order No. 23 of 1933 as from 1st January 1937 and which prohibits the taking of eggs of the following birds:Puffin, Guillemot, Razorbill, Kittiwake, Shearwater, Shellduck, Rockdove, Oyster Catcher, Lapwing, Peregrine Falcon, Raven and Tern throughout County Wexford including Keeragh and Saltee Islands between the first day of March 1937 and first day of August 1937 and between 1st day of March and 1st day of August in each year for a period of four years from 1st day of March 1937."

APPOINTMENT RATE COLLECTOR NO. 7 DISTRICT

The only application received for the position of Rate Collector for the above district was from John Deegan, Ballinure, Marshalstown, Temporary Collector for the district, under date 26th June 1936 and who wrote that he applied in accordance with the terms of the advertisement and the conditions of appointment governing the position. He stated that he had been doing temporary duty in this district for 9 years, during which he believed he had carried out the duties to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Mr. Deegan submitted references from Mr. Mulcahy,
Manager of the National Bank, Enniscorthy, Mr. O'Flaherty,
Solicitor, Enniscorthy and Mr. W. K. Stamp, 20 Market
Square, Enniscorthy.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Culleton seconded by Mr. Kelly:-

"That John Deegan, Ballinure, Marshalstown, Enniscorthy, be appointed Rate Collector for No. 7 Collection District on the terms and conditions governing the appointment and of the advertisement issued in connection with same.

appointment to be subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health. FERNS LIGHTING Sealed Order was received from the Department of Local Government and Public Health under date 8th June 1936 (Uimh. P.H.93190-36) fixing the area of charge for the lighting of Ferns Village as follows:-Half on Ferns Dispensary District and the other moiety on Townlands of Castleland, Coolbawn, Ferns, Ferns Lower and Ferns Upper. KILMANNOCK DRAINAGE SCHEME The following is extract from letter of the Department of Local Government and Public Health under date 24th June 1936 (F.130103-36) Wexford Co.) relative to the proposal of the Council to have "spread over" as regards the collection of Drainage Rate for Kilmannock Drainage Area: -"The Minister will not raise any objection to the proposals of the County Council with respect to the collection of the annuity payable under the Charging Order on the understanding that the sums paid to the Commissioners of Public Works out of the County fund will be collected in full and lodged to the credit of the County fund." The following under date 28th June 1936 was read from Mr. N. J. Murphy, Kilmokea, Campile:-Thanks for your letter and copy of reply from Local Government Department. On behalf of the aggrieved Marsh owners, I beg to thank you, and through you each and every member of your Council for your efforts to secure redress of a grievance - the result of a bad piece of Departmental blundering. At a meeting of the farmers concerned in the Kilmannock Drainage it was decided to ask your Council to formulate a scheme for relief of unemployment, namely, the cleaning up of all subsidiary drains in the area. The work carried out by the Board of Works in 1925, was of very little use, when all the side drains were neglected. We understand, that County Councils are to be asked © WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL ARCHIVES

In connection with letter from Department of Local Government and Public Health under date 22nd June, (No. S.92065/36, Ilgh(S.C.)) re above Act, the following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Corish, seconded by Mr. Kelly:-

"That Paying Order for £162. O. 11d issue, being amount assessed on Wexford County Council in respect of Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act 1926, for year ended 31st March, 1936."

ANNUAL MEETING COUNTY COUNCILS! GENERAL COUNCIL

Under date 17th June, 1936, the Secretary, County Councils' General Council wrote that the annual meeting of that body would take place on Thursday, 6th August 1936.

The Secretary stated that if any member had any matter to be considered at this meeting, the Finance Committee would deal with it in the first instance.

HOLIDAYS OF OFFICE STAFF

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Ml. Redmond, seconded by Mr. Corish:-

"That the usual Summer holidays be granted to the County Secretary and County Surveyor, and that they be empowered to arrange for the holidays of their staffs having regard to the exigency of the work in each Department."

HIGH TENSION ELECTRIC UNDERGROUND CABLE AT GOREY

Under date 22nd June, 1936, letter was received from the Electricity Supply Board, 60/62 Upper Mount Street,
Dublin stating it was proposed to lay a high tension under-

ground cable at Gorey as indicated on drawing which was enclosed. This cable would necessitate the breaking up of roads and footpaths, but, of course, care would be taken to cause the minimum amount of disturbance and to avoid damage to persons using the roads etc. and to the property of Wexford County Council and the Gorey Town Commissioners. The work would be carried out by the Board's employees under the direct supervision of the Board's Engineer, who would be instructed to get into communication with the County Surveyor and to meet the latter's requirements as far as possible.

Mr. Treanor, Assistant Surveyor for the district, reported that on the 13th June, 1936, a representative of the Electricity Supply Board had consulted him as to opening the streets and footpaths in connection with laying of this high tension cable. He (Mr. Treanor) stated that all necessary openings might be made, but restoration should be carried out by the County Council workers, a matter which (Mr. Treanor held) should be insisted upon. Further he did not approve of footpaths being taken up except where necessary.

Mr. Corish proposed and Mr. O'Byrne seconded the following resolution which was adopted:-

"That permission be granted to the Electricity Supply Board to lay high tension cable at Gorey town subject to observance of the recommendation in letter of Mr. Treanor, Assistant Surveyor for the district, and to the Electricity Supply Board agreeing to maintain for at least six months to the satisfaction of County Surveyor any roads or footpaths restored after laying cable, copy of Mr. Treanor's letter to be furnished to the Electricity Supply Board."

Mr. O'Byrne proposed and the Chairman seconded the following:-

"That in connection with proposed overhead electric

line from Gorey Avenue to Old Union Buildings, Gorey, we

request that wires should be conveyed along the County Road.

If brought direct through the land they will interfere with

MAIN ROAD UPKEEP GRANT 1936/37

Under date 18th June, 1936, the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) wrote (RGM/201/36) that the grant provisionally allocated for the upkeep of Main Roads for current financial year for County Wexford had been fixed at £11,958. Payment of the amount was contingent on the usual conditions as to surface dressing etc.

DRAINAGE AT TACUMSHANE LAKE

Under date 22nd June, 1936, the following letter (C.93/11/1/36) to the County Surveyor from the Office of Public Works was read:-

"In reply to your letter of the 16th instant to our Chief Engineer, I am to say that it is not proposed for the present at all exents to make a further grant available for the drainage of Tacumshane Lake. The Chief Engineer is of opinion that any attempt to re-open the cut now would be severely handicapped by the absence of scour due to the small head of water available and that the work of excavating would be very expensive. It is not likely that the case would be ripe for consideration again before the Winter, and in view of the fate of last Winter's experiment it is considered that the results likely to be obtained are speculative. Perhaps you will be good enough to inform the County Council accordingly."

of Works to provide a small amount to do some preliminary work on the inner side of the sand bank. This would help the principal work of cutting the bank later and the latter maght be done in two days instead of taking three weeks in "chancy" weather. Everybody realised that the cut should be made in winter as the water would not rise till November or December. No one in their senses would consider the question of cutting the bank at the present. He proposed

the following resolution:-

"That the Office of Public Works be requested to furnish a small grant to carry out preliminary work at Tacumshane Lake, the Chairman and Mr. Corish to interest themselves in endeavouring to obtain this concession.

That in the meantime the County Surveyor lay before the Office of Public Works the exact nature of the preliminary work in question. That copy of his statement be furnished to Messr. Allen and Corish, and that the latter be requested to again interview Mr. Candy, Chief Engineer of the Office of Public Works in connection with the matter."

Mr. Culleton seconded. Passed.

NEW GAP AT BALLYCONIGAR UPPER

The following report submitted by the County Surveyor was approved on the motion of Mr. O'Byrne seconded by Mr. Lawlor:-

At last Meeting of County Council a Special Committee was appointed to visit Ballyconigar Upper with a view to providing proper roadway to the sea at Cush Gap.

The Meeting of Committee was held on Friday last, 26th instant.

Miss O'Ryan and Mr. Kelly wrote that they could not attend.

Mr. W. Kinsella, M.C.C., attended and the following were also present:-

Canon Quigley, Blackwater, Messrs. Thomas O'Brien and O. Brien, Peter Dempsey, Pat O'Brien, Denis Corrigan, W. F. Barry, County Surveyor and T. Cullen, Assistant Surveyor.

It was decided that no further useful work could be carried out at the Gap, and that new way to the sea could be formed much easier a short distance further south.

This will necessitate making new roadway and cutting through a field (area 1½ st. acrs. approx) owned by Mr. Thomas

O'Brien, Ballyconigar. It was pointed out that this new work and likelihood of trespass afterwards would render field useless for agricultural purposes. Mr. O'Brien is prepared to hand over this field for the sum of £25 which was considered reasonable.

As County Council have no funds available this year to meet the cost of proposed work it was decided to make application for a grant under Minor Relief Scheme.

MINOR RELIEF SCHEMES

It was decided on the motion of Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. Lawlor that the following applications for repairs of lanes etc. be scheduled under Minor Relief Schemes Vote:-

- (1) Ballykilty Lane.
- (2) Bridge on lane over stream to the residence of Patrick Donohoe, Ballinabarna, Enniscorthy.
- (3) Cleaning up Blackwater river passing through Coolgarrow, Cooladine etc. near Enniscorthy.

TAGHMON STREETS

The following resolution was received from Taghmon
Development Association:-

"That the forthcoming repairs and rolling of the Streets of Taghmon be done by local labour as far as possible."

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. Corish seconded by Mr. Ml. Redmond:-

"That the resolution of Taghmon Development Association as to employment of local labour for rolling work at Taghmon village streets be referred to the County Surveyor for his favourable consideration."

PETROL PUMP LICENCE

Application for licence for petrol pump was received from R. H. Nixon, Junior, '42 Main Street, Gorey.

The Local Taxation Officer reported that the pump was an old type and had not, according to the Garda Siochana, been previously licenced.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of Miss O'Ryan seconded by Mr. Colfer:-

"That licence for petrol pump issue to R. N. Nixon, Junior, Main Street, Gorey."

POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT LICENCES.

The following resolution was adopted on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Ronan:-

"That new licences under Poisons and Pharmacy Act
1908 issue to Garrett Byrne, Bree, Ballyhogue, and William
R. Hamilton, Bullring, Wexford, and renewals of licences
to Laurence Harpur, North Main Street, Wexford; Daniel
Keating, Quay Street, New Ross; Myles Byrne, Market House,
Main Street, Gorey; Edward Rochford, Taghmon and Henry
Hill, Ballycanew, Gorey.

REPUBLICAN PRISONERS

Under date 16th June, 1936, statement was received from Republican Prisoners Publicity Committee.

The Chairman said that matters of this description had, up to the present, been ruled out of order and he would follow the same procedure in the present instance. The document did not concern the business of the County Council in any way and he would rule that it should not be read or discussed.

Signed. Muziles