

Town Commissioners Office

Ballyshannon

12th Sept. 1918.

A Special meeting was held today at 8 o'clock P.M. to consider tenders for the repairs to the Town Commissioners houses in Erne Street.

The following were present, viz:-

Mr Edward Stephens, presiding

" John Sweeney

" James Mc Loughe

" James Campbell

" Michael Gillen

" William Mc Menamin

" John J. O'Dowd.

The following tenders were received, viz:-

From Mr James Dundas, East Port.

£ 25. 0. 0

From Mr Patrick Daly, West Rock

£ 10. 5. 0.

It was unanimously agreed that the tender of Mr P. Daly be accepted, being the lowest. The chairman and Mr Sweeney were appointed to see that the work was carried out according to specification.

The following report was received from Mr. Bernard Coyle, Shop Inspector:

" I visited Mr. John Anderson's shop in Main St. about 4.15 p.m. on 21st Aug, 1918 and found his assistant making a sale of a quantity of meat. The purchaser was Mr. Jas. Gallagher, Back St."

(Signed) Bernard Coyle,

Erne St. 21st Aug. 1918.

After some discussion it was unanimously agreed on the motion of Mr. Jas. Mc Loughe seconded by Mr. Wm. Mc Menamin

" That the Town Com^{rs}. institute legal proceedings against John Anderson, Butcher Victualler for failing to comply with the

Closing Order made by the Commissioners under the Shops Act 1912 by keeping his premises open for serving customers & for serving a customer after 10 p.m. on Wednesday, 21st Aug. 1918

The following letter was read from Messrs. John Myles & Co.

To the Chairman, Ballyshannon Town Com^{rs}

Dear Sir

The Commissioners not having accepted our tender for the lights of the streets please note that we withdraw our tender
Yours faithfully,
John Myles & Co."

After ^{the} inspection of the Rate Book the meeting terminated.

Yours faithfully,
15/14/18

Town Commissioners Office
Monday 7th October 1918.

The monthly meeting of the Board was held today at 8 o'clock P.M.

The following members were present viz:-

Mr Edward Stephens. President

" William Mac. Meramin

" Michael Gillen

" James Campbell

" James Mac. Donagle.

The Chairman, after referring in feeling terms to the death of Mr Morgan Sweeney, father of Mr John Sweeney, a popular member of the Board, proposed the following resolution of condolence which was seconded by Mr Gillen and passed unanimously. viz:- "That we, the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners desire to place on record our deep regret at the death of Mr Morgan Sweeney, whose sterling character gained for him the respect and esteem of all classes and we tender to our colleague Mr John Sweeney and other relatives our sincere sympathy in their bereavement, and that this Board do now adjourn without transacting any business as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased."

The meeting accordingly adjourned.

Yours faithfully,
15/14/18

Town Commissioners Office
Ballyphannon
Cob 14th 1918.

The adjourned monthly meeting of the Board was held today at 8 o'clock P.M.

The following members were present viz:

- Mr Edward Stephens. Presiding.
- " William Mc. Manamin
- " John Sweeney
- " James Campbell
- " John J. O'Lowd.
- " James Mc. Conigle.

The minutes of previous meetings were read and signed.

The following letter was read from Mr Sweeney.
Commercial Hotel
Ballyphannon
10th Oct. 1918.

Dear Sir,

Please convey to the Ballyphannon Town Commissioners my sincere gratitude for their kind note of sympathy with me and the other members of my family on the death of my dear father. I also desire to thank you for kindly associating yourself with the note of sympathy.

Faithfully Yours
John Sweeney.

To Mr E. Lynch
Clerk Ballyphannon Town Commissioners,
Ballyphannon.

After some discussion re the lighting of the streets of the town it was finally decided to take no action in the matter at present.

It was unanimously resolved on the motion of Mr. J. Mc Conigle seconded by Mr Jas. Campbell that legal proceedings be taken against Mr John Anderson, Victualler for breach of the Shops Act 1912 and that Mr Rogers, Solicitor be informed to act for the Commissioners.

Mr Sweeney made a report on the state of the houses in Coulshank with regard to the way the Contractor, Mr. Daly, carried out the works. It was decided that before paying Mr Daly, the gentlemen present at this meeting should see the houses & how the work was carried out. Mr Broal, Rate Collector made a report of some persons refusing to pay their rates & he was ordered to have summonses issued against the defaulters.

It was unanimously agreed to advertise for a new Rate Collector in person of Mr Broal who intends to resign, for the collection of the Rate made for the year ending 31st March 1918.

The following sums were received up to the end of last month viz:

From Francis Lushill for Rents from Town Houses	£ 3 0 0
Revenue from Rates.	18 0 0
Francis Lushill Rents from Town Houses.	5 10 0
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	<u>£ 26 10 0</u>

The following payments were made.

viz: The Board of Works for Instalment due 1st November 1918.	26 13 9
The Local Government Board for audit of A/cs for year ending 31st March 1918	2 2 0
John Sweeney for Leavering of Streets	4 8 0
Edward Lynch, Town Clerk, for 1/2 year's salary and incidental expenses.	11 3 3
James Mc. Loran, for Plumbing repairs	10 0 0
John Gillespie for Rates on Town Houses for 1/2 year	6 4 2
Francis Lushill, for poundage on Rents collected and lodged to date	1 5 6
Francis Lushill for 1/2 year's salary as street inspector	3 0 0
	<u>£ 55 6 8</u>

The following statement was made by Mr Stephens, Chairman.

Gentlemen,
with reference to a letter which

appeared in the Press some weeks ago, I desire to say a few words. The writer's attempt to put the Board in a false position before the public by casting the blame on us for not having the streets of the town lighted. You, gentlemen know the facts. Messrs. Nyles & Co. were asked to tender for the lighting. They sent in a tender for £100. We offered £90, and it was an open secret that our offer was going to be accepted. However, for some reason best known to the firm, they wrote withdrawing their offer, making the shallow excuse that the Commissioners were not quick enough in accepting. You know & every intelligent person in town knows that there could be no acceptance or rejection except at a statutory meeting of this Board. We must conduct our affairs on business lines & in accordance with the law. Messrs. Nyles, too, wished to prove that we favoured the Gas Co. in the previous year. The favour we showed them was to accept their tender, being the lowest, and to agree to the maximum number of lamps which their service enabled them to erect. When we ask Messrs. Nyles or any other firm for a tender we shall do so in a courteous but independent manner. We should not be expected to humiliate ourselves by going hat in hand. Some of the best cities in the three Kingdoms are at present without light, and Ballyshannon is not such a busy thoroughfare that it cannot put up with a similar inconvenience for the period of the war. I should like to point out in conclusion that the complaint of Messrs. Nyles as to the variation of the dates on which the lamps were to be lighted was due to the Daylight Saving Act. The meeting then terminated.

Yours truly
Wm. J. H. H.

Town Commissioners Office
Ballyshannon

Monday, November 4th 1918

The monthly meeting of the Board was held today at 8 o'clock P.M. The following members were present viz:-

Mr Edward Stephens, presiding,
" James Mc Conigle
" P. H. Daly
" J. J. O'Dowd
" John Sweeney
" James Campbell
" Michael Gillen
" William Mc Menamin.

The minutes of previous meeting were read & signed. The following sums were received up to the close of last month viz:-

From Francis Tuhill, for Rents	}	£	3-18-0
" " from Town Houses			1-1-0
From Robert Nyles, Portion of fines		£	4-19-0

The following payments were made viz:- to Bernard Boyle, Shop Inspector £ 1-0-0
A letter was read from the L. G. Board with a letter enclosed which was sent to them by Mr Reid, Solicitor, complaining of the state of the town with regard to the lighting of the streets, and after some discussion the Clerk was instructed to forward the following letter to the L. G. Board.

Town Commrs. Office
Ballyshannon
5th Nov. 1918

Sir,

At a meeting of the Ballyshannon Town Comrs. held on the 4th inst. I was directed to say in reply to your letter of the 28th ult. no 5565/1918 that Messrs Nyles & Co. were asked for a tender for the lighting of the streets of the town in August last. Messrs Nyles offered to supply the lighting at the sum of £100 (one hundred pounds)

The Commissioners at their meeting considered the tender and unanimously decided to offer the firm referred to ninety pounds (£90) the same amount as paid to the Gas Works Company for the previous year's lighting.

Messrs Myles reply to the offer of the Commissioners was a letter withdrawing their tender.

Subjoined is a copy of Messrs Myles' letter.
Ballyshannon
10/9/18

To the Chairman

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

Dear Sir,

The Commissioners, not having accepted our tender for the lights of the streets, please note that we withdraw our tender,

Yours faithfully
John Myles & Co.

The Commissioners do not feel called upon to make a detailed reply to Mr Reid's letter to your Board which is full of inaccuracies, save to remark that the financial position of the Commissioners does not justify them in paying out of the public funds a sum of money for lighting which might place the Board in a serious financial position, nor do they feel that the ratepayers, for whom Mr Reid alleges he speaks, have a greater grievance than those in many other towns where it has been decided not to light the streets at present in the interests of economy. I am to add that no complaint has reached the Board concerning the non-lighting of the town.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
Edward Lynch
Town Clerk.

The Secretary
Local Government Board
Custom House,
Dublin.

The following gentlemen were appointed as a deputation to wait on Messrs Myles with a view to asking him to light the town viz: - Messrs P. H. Daly & John Sweeney & were empowered to make the necessary arrangements should they be received favourably.

Mr Francis Tuthill was, on the motion of Mr James Mc Conigle, seconded by Mr J. Sweeney, appointed Street Inspector for the term ending 31st March 1919.

The meeting then terminated.

J. M. Myles

10/9/18

Town Commissioners' Office
Ballyshannon
Nov. 11th 1918.

A Special Meeting was held to day at 8 o'clock P.M. to consider what reply Messrs Nyles & Co would make to the offer of the Town Commissioners through their deputation with regard to the lighting of the Town.

The following members were present, viz:-

Mr Edward Stephens, Presiding.

" John Lweeney

" William McManamin

" James Campbell

" P. H. Daly

" James Mc Loughe

Messrs Daly & Lweeney reported that they had interviewed Messrs. Nyles & Co re lighting of Streets. & Messrs Nyles made an offer to light the town for a period of 3 years at £100 per year, less £5 each year as a rebate for 12 yearly prompt payments, & to have a light at Market Yard placed in a more convenient place viz:- at Mr Barry's, Portusson.

After some discussion it was unanimously decided to refuse Messrs Nyles' offer.

The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr B. Mc Ladden, Secy. Co. Council for a copy of the agreement entered into between the Co. Council & Messrs Nyles & Co. Ballyshannon.

The meeting then adjourned for a week.

Donegal 15th 1918

15th 1918

15th 1918

Town Commissioners' Office
Ballyshannon
November 18th 1918.

A Special Meeting was held to day at 8 o'clock P.M. to consider the agreement entered into between Messrs Nyles & Co of Ballyshannon & the Donegal Co. Council.

The following were present viz:-

Mr Edward Stephens, Presiding.

" John Lweeney

" William McManamin

" James Mc. Loughe

" James Campbell

" John J. O'Dowd.

The agreement referred to was read by the Clerk & subsequently it was proposed by Mr. Stephens and seconded by Mr Mc Loughe & passed unanimously & that we the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners respectfully request the Donegal Co. Council to terminate the existing agreement between the Council & Messrs Nyles & Co. Ballyshannon, whereby the Council permit Messrs. Nyles & Co. to use the public streets of the town of Ballyshannon for their Electric Light Supply undertaking, on the following grounds:-

(1) That Messrs Nyles & Co. have demanded and are demanding prohibitive prices for public lighting,
(2) That when requested by the Town Commissioners to tender for the lighting of the streets, Messrs. Nyles acted in a most arbitrary manner, first in withdrawing their tender and when afterwards approached by a deputation of the Commissioners demanded guarantees and sought to impose stipulations, which no self-respecting Board could agree to.

(3) That householders and other consumers have had their supply of current cut off by Messrs Nyles without reasonable cause - the full charge demanded having been paid.

(4) That Messrs Nyles are running the Electric Supply undertaking as a business speculation without making practically any contribution to the County Rates.

We further request that in any future agreement between the County Council and Messrs. Nyles, the Council should fix a reasonable rent for the Electric poles and wires; that private consumers of the electric current should be afforded proper security against arbitrary disturbance; and that the terms of the agreement generally should be of such a nature as to render it impossible for Messrs. Nyles to exercise discriminatory power in supplying light to ratepayers and householders in the town."

Mr. Crook tendered his resignation as Town Rate collector and handed in his discharge sheet showing an irrecoverable amount of £14.7.8½ from a total Rate of £192.17.5 levied against him.

A cheque was passed to Mr. Goal ^{for the amount} for the amount of the Rate collected and lodged viz. £148.9.8½ which at 4/- in the pound amounted to. £8.18.6

Mr. James Mc Conigle proposed & Mr. Swaney seconded that as no applications had been received for the position of Rate Collector, that the clerks be instructed to advertise in the "Dougal Vindicator" for a Rate Collector at the increased poundage of 1/3 in the pound. (passed unanimously.)

The following resolution was, on the proposition of the chairman, & seconded by Mr. James Mc Conigle, passed unanimously viz:—

That with the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners desire to extend our congratulations to Very Rev. Bernard Kelly, on his elevation by his Holiness the Pope to the exalted dignity of Dean of the ancient Diocese of Raphoe.

We pray that he may live many years to enjoy the dignity to which his saintly character and manifold services in the Church have entitled him."

The meeting then terminated.

The following letter was ordered to be forwarded with the above resolution to the Co. Council,

Town Commissioners' Office
Ballyshannon
18th Nov. 1918.

Sir,

I am directed by the Town Commissioners to forward you copy of resolutions unanimously adopted at the

last meeting.

I am instructed to give the names and addresses of the persons from whom Messrs. Nyles & Co. cut the light off. — John Mc Conigle, Drapers, Main St. Ballyshannon
John Belleisle, Rate Collector, Market Gard. Ballyshannon.

I am also to say that the second offer of Messrs. Nyles to supply public lighting — this offer carrying with it impossible conditions — was also withdrawn before the date of the Board meeting. The considered opinion of my Board is that Messrs. Nyles electric undertaking has ceased to be effectively used for public and private lighting.

The latest demand of the firm is an increase of 2d per unit, the price now is fixed at 8c.

Your obedient servant

Edward Lynch
Town Clerk

Bernard Mc Tadden Esq.
County Dougal Co. Council

Lifford

The meeting then terminated.

Yours truly

Yours truly

9th Nov 1918

Town Commissioner's Office
Ballyshannon

Monday, 3rd December, 1918.

No meeting was held today, a quorum not being present.
Mrs Stephens and Mr O'Dowd only attended.

Yours truly

A. H. M. M.

Dec 15th 1919

Town Commissioner's Office
Ballyshannon.

December 18th 1918.

A Special meeting was held today at 8 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of advertising for a Town Rate collector at an increased poundage.

The following were present viz:-

Mr Edward Stephens, President.

" William McManis.

" James Mc Loughe.

" John Sweeney.

" James Campbell.

Mr J. Sweeney proposed & Mr J. Mc Loughe seconded that the poundage on Rate collection be increased to 16¹⁰/₁₀₀ in the £0 & that posters be displayed asking for applicants for the position. Passed unanimously.

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr. J. Mc Caffrey, Co. Surveyor with reference to the taking over of the sweeping or cleansing of the streets by the Contractors at present employed by the Co. Council, and to add on an additional amount to their present contracts for so doing.

The meeting then terminated.

Yours truly

A. H. M. M.

Dec 15th 1919

Town Commissioner's Office
 Ballyshannon
 Monday 6th January 1919

No meeting held today. No members attended.

Mr W. J. Kelly
 14/1/19
 15/1/19

Town Commissioner's Office
 Ballyshannon
 January 13th 1919.

The monthly meeting of the Board was held today at 8 o'clock P.M.

The following members were present viz:-

Mr Edward Stephens presiding

" Michael Dillen

" John Lweeney

" William Mc. Menamin

" James Campbell

" James Mc. Donigles

" John J. O'Donohue

" Paddy H. Daly

The minutes of previous meetings were read & signed.

Mr Tutill handed in the following letter.

College Street
 Ballyshannon

13th Jan. 1919.

To Presiding Chairman

and Members Ballyshannon Town Commissioner's

Gentlemen,

I would kindly ask you to relieve me of the cleaning of the streets, as I find it impossible to get men.

Your obedient servant

J. Tutill.

Mr Tutill applied for a bonus on collection of rents from Town houses for past year.

Mr Daly proposed and Mr Lweeney seconded & it was passed unanimously that a bonus of 6^d (Sixpence) in the £ to be given to Mr Tutill on last year's collection of rents.

The following letter was read.

County Surveyor's Office
 Donegal

2nd Jan. 1919.

Edward Hyde Esq.

Town Clerk

Ballyshannon.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter re sweeping of the streets by the contractors.

Simply I beg to state that the sweeping of the streets forms part of their contracts, and I fail to see what additional amount is necessary to give them. While the Commissioners keep the men employed sweeping, this saves the contractors an expense. If the Commissioners are desirous of assisting them I would suggest that they purchase a horse-sweeping brush and allow the contractors to use it for sweeping the streets.

Yours faithfully,
John Caffrey.

Mr Sweeney proposed and Mr O'Dowd seconded and it was unanimously agreed that Mr F. Luthill be relieved of his contract for the cleansing of the streets of the town.

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr Caffrey the County Surveyor, informing him that the cleansing of the streets was left in the hands of the Co. Council to deal with the contractors.

There were two applications for the position of Town Gate Collector viz. from Mr. P. Fleming and Mr L. Croal.

Mr Mc Donigle proposed, and Mr McManamin seconded & it was unanimously passed that Mr Croal be appointed Gate Collector for the town.

Mr Sweeney stated that Mr Nyles agreed to accept £60 for the present year and £80 per year for each of the next two years for the lighting of the town.

Mr Gillis & Mr Sweeney were deputed to have an agreement drawn up with Messrs. Nyles & Co.

Mr McManamin proposed & Mr Stephens seconded & it was unanimously passed. "That we the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners as representing the people of Ballyshannon, call upon the British Government to immediately release all Irish Political Prisoners at present confined in British jails," and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Chief Secretary & to the local Press.

Having examined the Rent Collector's accounts, we find the sum of £215.0 (old arrears) to be irrecoverable from 76 houses in Bond Street and we accordingly discharged the amount.

The following sums were received up to the close of last month viz.:-

From Francis Luthill - Rents	£ 4.6.0
" Larence Croal - Rates	6.0.8
" Francis Luthill - Rents	3.12.0
	£ 13.18.8

The following payments were made.

To Patriots' Duty Repairs to houses	£ 10.5.0
" John Sweeney - scavenging	7.16.0
" Francis Luthill - Bonuses on	
" Rents collected last year	1.6.3
" Alfred Stubbs, Rents	2.10.9
" Mr Gillespie - 1/2 year's rent of Room	10.0
" Mr Maguire - Preparing Rate	
" Collectors' Bond	1.6.0
" Kelly's odd Dublin Stationery	7.0
	£ 24.1.0

The meeting then terminated.

James McDonigle
Vice Chairman
7th Feby 1919

Town Commissioners Office
Thursday 23rd Jan. 1919

A special meeting of the Board was held today at 12 o'clock (noon) to elect a chairman and vice-chairman of the Board for the ensuing year.

The following members attended viz:-

Mr Michael Lillen, presiding.

" John J. O'Dowd.

" Edward Stephens

" James Mc Conigle

" William Mc Menamin.

The chairman explained the object of the meeting, and accordingly proposed ^{by Mr Stephens} & Mr Lillen seconded and it was passed unanimously that Mr John Lweeney be elected chairman.

Mr Mc Menamin proposed & Mr O'Dowd seconded that Mr James Mc Conigle be elected vice-chairman, which was passed unanimously.

The meeting then terminated.

James Mc Conigle

Vice Chairman

7th February 1919

Town Commissioners Office

Ballyshannon

Tuesday 4th Feb 1919

The monthly meeting was held today at 8 o'clock P.M.

The following members attended viz:-

Mr James Mc Conigle, vice-chairman, presiding.

" Edward Stephens

" James Campbell

" John J. O'Dowd

" Michael Lillen.

The following vote of sympathy was on the motion of Mr Mc Conigle, seconded by Mr O'Dowd, passed unanimously viz:-

That we have heard with deep regret of the death of Mr Mc Menamin, father of our ~~respected~~ esteemed colleague, Mr William Mc Menamin and we tender him our deep sympathy in the loss & sorrow occasioned to him, and that we adjourn this meeting without transacting any business as a mark of respect to the deceased's memory.

The meeting accordingly adjourned.

James Mc Conigle

Vice Chairman

7th Feb 1919

down Commissioners' Office
Friday 7th February 1919.

The adjourned monthly meeting of the Board was held today at 8 o'clock P.M.

The following were present, viz.

Mr James Mc Donnell, vice-chairman, presiding.

" Edward Stephens

" William Mc Menamin

" Michael Gillen

" John J. O'Dowd

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed. Mr Mc Menamin returned thanks to the Board for vote of condolence passed to him of the death of his father.

The Clerk was ordered to write Messrs. Nyles, re the state of Erne Street with regard to light.

The following letter was read:—

Commercial Hotel
Ballyshannon
Jan'y 21st 1919.

The Chairman, Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform the Board that the deputation appointed by the Commission (Mr M. Gillen and myself) met Messrs. Nyles' manager, and it was mutually agreed that Messrs. Nyles would light the streets for three years on the following terms viz:— 1918 and 1919 at £60, 1919-1920 at £80, and 1920-1921 at £80.

I am now informed that Messrs. Nyles, refuse to light the town for a longer period than one year, ending April next. Messrs. Nyles' representative promised to have the lights restored to those whose current had been cut off. I desire to make Mr Gillen's and my own position clear to your Board.

Remain, dear Sir
Yours respectfully,
John Sweeney

The clerk was directed to forward the following letter to the Secretary, Donegal Co. Council.

Town Commissioners Office
Ballyshannon
7th Feby, 1919.

Sir,

I am instructed to forward you enclosed cutting from "Donegal Indicator" of date 24th Ult. containing copy of a letter from Mr John Sweeney, C. J. C. who with Mr Gillen J. C. was appointed to arrange terms for the town lighting. You will observe, Messrs. Nyles, Electric Light Contractors, refuse to abide by the terms agreed on. I am to say that the Commissioners will feel obliged if you will now put on the agenda for next meeting of County Council, the resolution passed by the Town Commissioners on the 18th day of November 1918 and forwarded to you at that time.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,
Edward Lynch
Town Clerk.

The Secretary,
Donegal County Council
Lifford, Co. Donegal.

Having examined the Rent Collector's account, we find the sum of £2.5.0 (old arrears) to be unrecoverable from No 6 House in Erne Street, and we accordingly discharge the amount.

The meeting then terminated.

James McDonnell
Vice Chairman
10th March 1919

Town Commissioner's Office

Ballyshannon

Monday 10th March 1919

The monthly meeting of the Board was held today at 8 o'clock P.M.

The following were present viz:-

Mr James McConigle, Vice-Chairman, presiding

" Edward Stephens.

" William McCreanain

" John J. O'Dowd

" Michael Gillett.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed. The clerk was instructed to write Mr Dwyer with regard to a request made by the Town Trustees re lighting of Commissioner's Room, asking him to state the cause of his refusal to do so.

Mr Luthill was ordered to have some repairs done to Miss Curran's house in Cove Street.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr McConigle, seconded by Mr Stephens & passed unanimously. viz:- That we, the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners in view of the disgraceful state of the streets of the town which have not been cleaned for many months, ask the Co. Council to instruct their Co. Surveyor to take steps to put an end to the present intolerable state of affairs.

We enclose copy of a letter received from the Co. Surveyor (Mr Coffey) dated 2nd January 1919 from which the Co. Council will see that the Town Commrs. can only undertake the cleaning of the streets at the risk of being surcharged.

The clerk was instructed to send ^{a copy of} the resolution to Mr B. McFadden, Secty. Co. Council asking him to have the matter done to at once.

After some discussion the Board agreed to accept the resignations of Messrs. John Sweeney, and P. H. Daly and subsequently Mr James McConigle gave notice that two Commissioners would be co-opted at next monthly meeting to fill the vacancies caused by Messrs. Sweeney's & Daly's resignations. Mr Luthill reported that Mrs Curran refused to pay any rent until

her house would be repaired.

The meeting then separated.

James McConigle

Vice Chairman
7th April 1919

Town Commissioners Office
Ballyshannon
Monday 4th April 1919

The monthly meeting of the Board was held today at 5 o'clock P.M.

The following were present viz:-

Mr James McFingale, presiding.

" John J. O'Dowd

" Michael Gillen

" James Campbell

" Edward Stephens.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

After a letter from the Secty. of the Co. Council was read re. the sweeping of the streets, it was decided to take no further action in the matter until after Co. Council meeting on 15th inst.

The following sums were received up to the close of last month.

viz:- From Francis Luthill for Rents	£ 4-10-0
Mr R. Ryles, Proportion of fines awarded quarter ending 3/12/18	2-6
Terence Croal, Footway Rates	15-0-0
Francis Luthill, Rents from Town Houses	4-8-0
Terence Croal, Town Rates	10-0-0
Francis Luthill, Rents from Town Houses	3-8-0
Terence Croal, Town Rates	10-0-0
Rates on Government Property	1-14-7
Francis Luthill, Rents Town Houses	4-8-0
	£ 53-11-1

The following payments were made, viz:-

To Edward Stephens, Town Clerk, half year's salary	10-0-0
Salary and incidental expenses to 4th April	13-4
Francis Luthill, poundage on Rents collected and lodged up to and including 31st March 1919 on 240 @ 1/4 per lb	1-4-6
Francis Luthill Half Year's Salary as Street Inspector.	3-0-0
Mr Maguire, Solicitor, Costs in Shop's act case with Doyle	19-3
Mr P. B. Stephens, for Stationery	7-7
Messrs William Kelly Son for coal	3-6
The Banks of Ireland, Dublin, interest on loan	26-4-7
	£ 42-12-9

After hearing a letter read from Mr B. Mc Ladda Secty. Co. Council, re the sweeping of the streets, it was decided to leave the matter over until after the meeting of the Co. Council.

After hearing a report from Mr Luthill with regard to Mrs Lormie's refusal to pay rent, the Clerk was ~~infor~~ instructed to write her informing her that a notice to quit would be served unless she settled up by 20th inst.

Mr Luthill was unanimously appointed Town Inspector.

On the motion of Mr M. Gillen seconded by Mr O'Dowd it was unanimously agreed that Mr Friday Mc Creedy and Mr James Gavigan be co-opted members of the Board. Mr Luthill handed in a notice that he would resign the clerkship at the meeting on 5th May.

He got permission to have an advertisement inserted for work in the "Indicator" for a clerk.

~~The meeting then separated.~~

On the motion of Mr M. Gillen seconded by Mr J. J. O'Dowd it was unanimously agreed that Messrs Friday Mc Creedy and James Gavigan be co-opted members of the Board, respectively, in room of Messrs. P. H. Daly and John Sweeney resigned.

The meeting then separated.

James Mc Congle Vice Chairman
18th Sept 1918

Town Commissioners Office
Ballyshannon

Monday 12th May 1919.

No meeting held today, the following three members
only, having attended viz:—

Messrs James McConigle, Vice-Chairman

" William Mc. Menamin

" John J. O'Dowd.

James McConigle, Vice Chairman

1st Sept 1919

Town Commissioners Office
Ballyshannon

Monday June 9th 1919

No meeting held today - no quorum being available.

The following members attended. viz:—

Messrs James McConigle, Vice Chairman

" John J. O'Dowd.

" William Mc. Menamin

" Finlay Mc. Bready.

James McConigle

Vice Chairman

1st Sept 1919

Town Commissioners Office
Ballyshannon

Monday 7th July 1919.

No meeting held to-day, no quorum being available.

The following members were present: viz

Mr James Mc Gough, Vice-chairman

" J. J. O'Dowd

" Wm. Mc. Shanahan

" Luitay Mc Leready.

James Mc Gough Vice Chairman

18 Sept '19

Town Commissioners Office
Ballyshannon

Monday 4th August 1919

No Meeting held to-day, no members being present.

James Mc Gough

Vice Chairman

18 Sept 1919

Town Commissioners' Office
 Ballyshannon
 Monday 1st Sept. 1919

The monthly meeting of the Board was held today at 8 o'clock p.m.

The following members attended

viz. Mr. Jas. Mc Gonigle Vice-Chairman presiding
 " Wm. Mc Menamin
 " Jas. Campbell
 " J. J. O'Dowd
 " Finlay N. Mc Gready

The minutes of previous meetings were read & signed.

The rate-collector Mr. Fras. Tuthill reported that Mrs. Gorman, Erne St. had paid no rent since last meeting.

It was proposed by Mr. J. Mc Gonigle seconded by Mr. Campbell that a notice to quit be served on her.

Mr. J. Mc Gonigle gave notice that he would propose a member for co-option at next meeting.

The clerk was instructed to write Mr. Terence Croal, rate collector to have his rate closed at the October meeting.

On the proposition of Mr. J. Mc Gonigle seconded by Mr. J. J. O'Dowd it was unanimously agreed that the new rate be struck at next meeting for the service of the year ending 31st March 1920.

It was unanimously decided to ask Messrs. Myles & Co. to tender for the lighting of the town.

The following sums were received up to the close of last month:-

From Mr. Terence Croal for rates	£10..0..0
" Robt. Myles for fines	1..10..6
" Fras. Tuthill for rents	3..8..6
" Terence Croal for rates	11..10..0
" Terence Croal for rates	10..10..0
" Fras. Tuthill for rents	4..10..6
" Registrar of Petty Sessions	4..5..8
Mr. Fras. Tuthill for rents	2..14..0
" Terence Croal for rates	8..0..0
" Robt. Myles for fines	15..3
" Fras. Tuthill for rents	4..0..0
	<u>£61..4..5</u>

The following payments were made viz:-

To Edward Lynch Town Clerk	£5..0..0
Fras. Tuthill rate collector	£1..5..0
^{Messrs. Myles & Co. electric light}	60..0..0
Jas. Dundas for plumbing at town houses	10..6..9
	<u>£76..11..9</u>

The meeting then terminated.

Yours truly
 Wm. Mc Menamin
 15th 9th 1919

Town Commissioners' Office
Ballyshannon,
Monday 8th Sept. 1919

A special meeting was held today at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m. to consider tender for lighting the streets of the town

The following members were present:-
viz. Mr. Jno. McConigle Vice Chairman
" Finlay N. McCready
" James Campbell
" Michael Gillen
" Edward Stephens
" J. J. O'Dowd
" Wm McMenamin

The tender of Messrs Myles & Co (of which the following is a copy) was considered & unanimously accepted:-
" Electric Supply Station
D. Shannon
8th Sept. 1919

To the Chairman of the D. Shannon Town Commissioners
Dear Sir

We propose to light the streets of Ballyshannon with Electric Light from the 15th Sept. 1919 to the 30th April 1920

The number of lamps to be the same as last year and at or near the positions of existing lamps i.e. 60 lamps of 50 c.p. each (counting lamp in Diamond as three lamps & Bridge End as two) with the following additions as enumerated by the Chairman - Cloghan 1. Donegal Station 1. Postnason Road 3.
Hours of lighting - From one hour after sunset until 11.30 p.m. with the exception of 7 days at each full moon. - For the sum of Ninety Pounds (£90). Payment as formerly - one half in January 1920 and one half in June 1920
Yours faithfully
James Myles
James Myles

Mr. Campbell proposed & Mr. McMenamin

seconded that the Clerk write to the Market Trustees that the Commissioners on behalf of the ratepayers wish that for the convenience of the public the Market Yard be lighted by electricity out of the funds of the Market trustees

Given in witness
Hand of Mr. Jno

Town Commissioners Office
Dallyshamarr

Octo, 6th 1919

The monthly meeting was held to-day at 8 o'clock P.M.

The following members were present viz:-

Messrs James Campbell
" Edward Stephens
" F. Mc. Cready
" Wm. Mc. Menamin
" J. J. O'Dowd.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed.

Letter read from Mr B Laughlin re sweeping of streets was approved for future consideration.

A discussion arose with regard to a light on East Rocks and Mr Mc Cready promised to see Messrs Inglew with regard to it.

Mr Mc. Menamin proposed & Mr O'Dowd seconded that Mr Lawrence Mc Shea be co-opted a Town Commissioner with regard to the non-payment of rent by Mrs Gorman it was proposed by Mr Mc. Cready & seconded by Mr Campbell that the case be placed in the hands of a solicitor.

~~The following sums were received up to the close of last month~~

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viz. Y. Futhill, Rents Town House £ 4.16.0

The following payments were made,

Dr Bank of Futhill for 1/2 years Remuneration Shuldy Inspector, restriction of Rent	£ 1.0
" Dr Johnston, Provincial Bank	" 1.0
" " John Gillaspie, Rates Town House	£ 5.10
" " Bank of Lolland, for instalment due 11/200-19	26.5.2
	<u>£ 44.13.0</u>

James Mc Gough Vice Chairman
10th November 1919

Town Commissioners Office
Dallyshamarr

The adjourned meeting of the Board was held to-day at 8 o'clock P.M. The following attended viz:-

Messrs James Mc Gough, Vice-Chairman, presiding
" James Campbell
" Edward Stephens
" F. Mc. Cready
" Wm. Mc. Menamin
" J. J. O'Dowd

Mr Francis Futhill was unanimously appointed as Inspector of Streets.

The Town Rate for the service of the year ending 31st March 1920 was duly signed.

A letter ^{was} read from Mr J. Gillaspie, Scty. Market Trustees & ~~the~~ the clerk was instructed to write to the effect that the Commissioners could take no responsibility for the lighting of Market Yard. It was proposed by Mr Mc. Cready & seconded by Mr Campbell that the Town Rate collector and his duties be written to, to have Rate closed at November meeting.

James Mc Gough Vice Chairman
10th November 1919

Town Commissioners Office
Ballyshamara

Monday, Nov. 10th 1919.

The Monthly meeting of the Board was held today at the hour of 8 o'clock P.M.

The following members were present
viz:- Messrs James Mc Gougeon Vice Chairman, presiding.

- " James Campbell
- " Furlay J.C. Gready
- " Vincent Mc Shea
- " Messrs. Mc Menamin

Mr Mc Shea made the usual declaration.

Minutes of previous meeting were read & signed.

The following sums were received up to the close of last month viz:-

From James Duffhill - Rents	£ 4.16.0
" Terry Croal - Rates	£ 12.10.0
" J. Duffhill - Rents	£ 3.4.0
" J. Croal - Rates	2.10.0
" R. Myers proportion of fines awarded for quarter ending 30/9/19.	1.7.9
" J. Croal - Rates	40.0.0
" J. Croal - Rates	10.0.0
" J. Croal - do	15.0.0
" J. Croal - do	10.0.0
" J. Croal - do	10.9.0
	<u>£ 105.0.9</u>

The following payments were made

viz:- Mr. Johnston, Insurance	£ 1.1.0
" - John Gillispie, Rent	13.5.10
" - E. Lynch, Balance of Salary	5.0.0
" " E. Lynch, incidental expenses to date.	11.9
" " Thos. Mc Guinness (High Inspector)	1.0.0
" " John Back of ...	15.5.2
" " Michael Maguire, Adm. Law costs	1.4.0
	<u>£ 48.7.9</u>
	7.15.9

The Clerk was ordered to advertise for a Rate collector in the two local papers.

Applications to be considered at a meeting to be held on 24th inst.

Messrs. Mc Gready & Mc Gougeon were appointed to see Mrs German's house & look up what repairs were necessary.

The Town Clerk handed in a notice of resignation, but was asked to hold office for another month, and to have an advertisement inserted in local papers for a Town Clerk. Applications to be considered at meeting on 1st December.

The meeting then separated.
James Mc Gougeon Vice Chairman
1st Dec 1919.



Town Commissioners' Office
Ballyshannon

Monday, November 24th 1919

No meeting held today, only four members being present.

The Clerk was ordered to re-advertise for a Rate Collector as up to that date there were no applications, in answer to former advertisement.

James McGonigle Vice Chairman
1st Dec 1919

Town Commissioners' Office
Ballyshannon

Monday 1st Dec. 1919

The Monthly Meeting was held today at 8 o'clock P.M.

The following members attended:

- Messrs: Jas. McGonigle Vice-Chairman, presiding.
- " J. J. O'Dowd
- " Finlay M. McBready
- " Jas. Campbell
- " Edward Stephens
- " Terence McShea
- " Wm. McManamin

The minutes of previous meetings were read & signed.

The following sums were received up to the close of last month:-

Y. Croal for Rates	£40 0 0
Ditto " "	10 0 0
" " "	15 0 0
" " "	10 0 0
" " "	10 9 0

Tras. Tuthill for

	£ 3 9 0
	£88 9 0

The following payments were made:-

Edw Lynch Town Clerk, 1 month's salary to 31st Oct 19	£ 1 13 4
Alfred Stubbs, Head Rent of Town House (less income tax £1-1-0)	2 9 0
Terence Croal on a/c of collection of rates	10 0 0
	£ 14 2 4

Mr Tuthill, Rent Collector, reported that John Wood, a tenant in one of the Long Street houses was 10/- in arrears of rent.

The Clerk was instructed to prepare a notice to quit.

A letter from the Gas Company will bill enclosed for £45-0-0 for balance of gas a/c was left over for future consideration.

A telegram was read from Mr Morrison, Coal Controller's representative for Ireland, reducing the price of coal by 10/- per ton and 6d per cwt.

Applications for the position of Town Rate Collector were considered.

The following applied, viz:-

- Miss M. Mc Grath
- Mr. Thomas Finney
- + Patrick Magee.

Mr Mc Shea proposed that Mr Finney be appointed.

Mr Mc Bready seconded.

Mr Stephens proposed that Mr Magee be appointed. There was no seconder.

Mr Campbell proposed that Miss Mc Grath be appointed & Mr O'Dowd seconded.

On a vote being taken there voted for Mr Finney, the following viz:-

- Messrs. Mc Bready, Mc Shea & McManamin.
- (Total 3 votes)

- For Miss Mc Grath, Messrs. Campbell, Stephens, O'Dowd, and Mr. McGonigle, Vice Chairman.

Total 4 votes.

The Vice-Chairman declared Miss Mc Grath duly elected.

The board ordered that the Bond between Miss Mc Grath, & her sureties & the Town Commissioners be made up forthwith.

The election of a Town Clerk was then proceeded with.

The following applied viz:-

Messrs. Jacks Reilly
Patrick Mc. Dermott.

Mr Mc. Dermott proposed and Mr Stephens seconded that Mr Mc. Dermott be appointed. There being no proposer for Mr Reilly. Mr Mc. Dermott was declared elected unanimously.

The following cheques were signed.

~~Messrs. E. Lynch and Son, Dublin, to Mr. J. J. O'Dowd £ 1-13-4~~
 " Alfred Hobbs, Head. Bank of Town }
 " houses, Co. Income Tax £ 1-1-0 } 2-9-0
 " James Conal on acct of collection of Rates £ 10-0-0
 £ 14-2-4

A letter was read from Mr B. Laughlin, Road Contractor, claiming (by bill enclosed) the sum of £ 7-0-0 for sweeping some of the streets of the town.

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr Laughlin saying that in the face of Mr Caffrey's letter (Co. Surveyor), the Commissioners could not see their way to pay the amount until they consulted the L. G. Board Auditor.

The Clerk was instructed to inform Miss McGrath and Mr Mc. Dermott of the respective appointments.

The names were separated.

James Mc. Gough Vice Chairman
5th January 1920

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

Minutes of proceedings of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners at their monthly meeting held on Monday 5th January 1920

in the Commissioners' Office Ballyshannon

In the Chair Mr James Mc. Gough Vice Chairman

Other members present, Messrs. J. McShea, J. McCreedy,

Edward Stephens, J. J. O'Dowd, W. McMenamin

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Mr Patrick Mc. Dermott thanked the members for appointing him as Clerk on 1st ult. and submitted the following correspondence

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| No 201. M. 1919
2 nd Decr 1919 | Circular from Local Govt. Board giving instructions as to dividing of Register of Electors, having a supply of some printed etc. |
| No 201 M 1919
19 th Nov. 1919 | Sealed order of Local Govt Board directing Register of Electors to be divided into separate parts for each Town Electoral area. |
| No. 220. M. 1919
3 rd Decr 1919 | Circular from L.G. Board enclosing 2 copies of the Local Elections (P.R.J.) Order 1919, also 2 copies of a memorandum on conducting elections |
| No 24,466
30 th Sept 1919 | Three copies of Sealed Order of L.G. Board dividing the town into Electoral areas were also submitted, being received since last meeting |
| No 56,101
20 th Decr 1919 | Circular from L.G. Board enclosing scale of Election expenses |

No. 221 M. 1919
19th Decemb^r 1919
as 30th Decemb^r January.

Sealed Order from Local Govt Board
prescribing the day of annual meeting
for election of Chairman & Vice Chairman

No 228 M. 1919
11th Dec^r 1919

circular from L.G. Board regarding
transfer of surplus votes

No 66, 868
1st January 1920

Letter from L.G.B. pointing out that it
is not intended that a returning
officer is deprived of his initial
fee where no poll is taken, a reduction is to be made where he
is unable or unwilling to conduct it personally.

No. 60, 599.
17th Dec^r 1919

circular from L.G. Board showing
rates of interest chargeable on housing
loans at from 6% to 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ %

27th Dec^r 1919

Notice from Mr J. B. Butler stating
he will attend at 10 o'clock on 12th

January 1920 to audit the accounts of the Commissioners for
year ended 31st March 1919.

The contract agreement between Messrs J. Nyles & Co and
the Commissioners for the lighting of the streets till 30th
April, ¹⁹²⁰ (from 15th Sept 1919) was submitted & completed.

Mr Juthill, Rent Collector reported that the cottage
formerly occupied by Mr Gallagher, is now vacant.
Two applications from intending tenants were
submitted by E. Tait and C. Hamstead.

It was unanimously decided that Mr E. Tait
be accepted as tenant - That he sign a letting agreement
and have security for payment of the rent - That
the Commissioners employ a man to clean the
ash pit, to put in a pane of glass & supply door
latch, before he goes into it

Mr Juthill also reported that a wall at West Rock and
another wall at Pig Market Street are in a dangerous condition
Minute: - Co. Surveyor to be notified to have wall at West
Rock remedied, and Mr Robert Lowry of Carnetown
(landlord) to be notified to have wall at Pigmarket
to put into such a condition that it ceases to be a danger

A considerable amount of correspondence was submitted
from the Proportional Representation Society, their final
letter saying they could send a lecturer here on 12th
or 13th inst if desired

20th Dec^r 1919

Letter from Donegal County Council
allowing use of ballot boxes and
voting screens at Election if necessary
also letter from Sub-sheriff allowing use of Court House for
same purpose.

The following payments were ordered: -

Terence Broal, ex Rate Collector, Balance Collection fees	£3-6-6
Donegal Democrat Printing & advertising	£2-19-10
Edward Lynch lately Town Clerk 1 month's salary to 1/12/19	£1-13-4

The Rate collectors bond duly signed, was submitted
and the Rate collecting book with authority for
collection of Rate was signed by the Chairman
and two members of the Commissioners & countersigned
by the Clerk.

James McLaughlin Chairman
3rd Feb^r 1920

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

The annual meeting of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was held at the Town Commissioners Office on Friday 30th January 1920 at 11 o'clock.

Members present Messrs: John Cameron, Francis McGearty, James McGough, J. J. Stephens, Seumas Ward, Michael Gallagher, John Kane, F. N. McCready, J. McShea, E. Mulhern, R. Neely.

All of whom already signed their declarations of acceptance of office.

Mr. J. McShea proposed that Mr. F. N. McCready be appointed chairman temporarily.

Mr. S. Ward seconded.

There was no amendment and Mr. McCready then took the chair.

No 221 M. 1919
19th December 1919
Read sealed order from Local Government Board fixing 30th January as day of annual meeting.

Mr. John Kane proposed that Mr. James McGough be appointed Chairman for coming year.
This was seconded by Mr. J. McShea and passed unanimously.

Mr. John Cameron proposed that Mr. Seumas Ward be appointed Vice Chairman for coming year.
This was seconded by Mr. Michael Gallagher and passed unanimously.

The Chairman and Vice Chairman signed their declarations of acceptance of office.

Next meeting on 3rd February 1920

James McGough Chairman
3rd Feby 1920

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

The monthly meeting of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was held at Town Commissioners Office on Tuesday 3rd February 1920 at 8 o'clock.

In the Chair James McGough Esq
also present Messrs: J. Kane, J. McShea, M. Gallagher, F. N. McCready, R. Neely, J. Holland, J. Cameron, F. McGearty, S. Ward & J. J. Stephens

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

No. H. 501/145/1919

9th January 1920

Read circular from L.G. Board stating that the Treasury desire that repayment of loans to Local Authorities, Public Utility Societies etc for the purpose of subsidised housing schemes under the Housing Act 1919 shall be on the annuity system and not equal instalments of principal with interest.

No. 3303:1920

23rd January 1920

Read letter from L.G. Board enclosing copy of audited abstract of a/c's together with Auditor's report thereon.

Minute: - "Prescribed notice to be published in the two local papers."

26 January 1920

The Coal Controller wrote to know what increase in price of coal has been authorized by Commissioners in consequence of increased Railway Rates.

Minute: - "The same price as allowed by Ballyshannon R.D. Council"

The following Mr. F. N. McCready proposed that a finance committee be appointed. The proposition

was recorded by Mr. S. Ward and declared carried, and the following members were unanimously appointed as Finance Committee - Messrs: - F. N. McCreedy, Wm Neely, S. Ward, J. McConigle & J. Meshea.

The following accounts were submitted:-

Returning Officer	£71.5.7	Election Expenses	order £40 paid on acct
Ballyshannon Town Trustees	45.0.0	2 nd instalment for lighting Streets	as per Contract for 1917-18 order. Left over
B. Loughlin	£9-6-8	Cleansing streets	" " "
J. Gillispie	7.1.8	Poor Rates	" " "
J. Myles & Co	125.0.0	½ Amount lighting Streets year 1919-20	" Paid
Geo Patton	0.9.7	Income Tax	" "
Ballyshannon Market Trustees	2.10.0	Rent of Commissioner's Meeting place	" "
Donegal Undertaker	5.1.10	Printing & advertising	" "
"	"	"	" of overdue
Donegal Democrat	0.9.7	advertising	" paid

The clerk reported that the Rate collector had lodged £45-0-3 of this year Rate to-day

The cost of the recent elections, and the inadequacy of the rates to meet the same at present together with the cost of public lighting and street cleansing was discussed when the following resolution was proposed by Mr. F. N. McCreedy, recorded by Mr. S. Ward and passed unanimously:-

That a small deputation be appointed to wait on the Market^{yard} Trustees and confer with them as to using the resources of the Market yard etc in the interests of the town

The following were appointed as a deputation to wait on the Trustees in the matter.
Messrs: F. N. McCreedy, Wm Neely, S. Ward and J. McConigle.

The Clerk was instructed to communicate

with the Trustees with the view of arranging convenient time of meeting.

It was unanimously decided on the motion of Mr. S. Ward recorded by Mr. F. N. McCreedy:- that the Clerk write the District Council asking them have the street footpaths etc of the town put into proper repair

It was arranged that the finance committee meet on Thursday & 3rd inst.

James McConigle Chairman
1st March 1920

Minutes of Proceedings of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners at meeting held on Monday 1st March 1920 in the Town Commissioners Office.

Member present In the Chair - Mr. James McConigle
also present Messrs: - M. Gallagher, F. N. McCreedy, J. Meshea, J. Kane, W. Neely, J. Cameron, F. McGinley, S. Ward, J. Holland.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The Clerk reported that the following members of Finance Committee met on 6th ult. Messrs J. McConigle, W. Neely, S. Ward, J. Meshea. He directed that quotations be got for a horse sweeping brush and that the Ballyshannon R.D. Council be asked to make an offer for the Town Commissioners houses.

Quotations for a one horse sweeper were submitted ranging from £10 to 72.15

7th July 1920Streets

Read letter from Ballyshannon

RD Council stating the County

Surveyor has the work of repairs to footpaths in hands at present

and with regard to cottages the Council are not prepared to purchase the Town Commissioners Cottages

28th July 1920

Read letter from Mr J. Gillespie Secretary Market Trustees stating the trustees

have arranged to meet a deputation from the Commissioners at the Office of Mr Maguire Solicitor Castle St on Saturday next the 6th March at 4.30 pm.

Minute: - Deputation to meet them and go into the Market yard etc question

The Rent collector reported that Mrs Gorman, tenant of one of the Ernest Cottages owes over £1 rent and refuses to pay. She says the house was not properly repaired.

Minute: - This house was repaired some months ago. Mr Maguire Solicitor to be instructed to take the necessary legal proceedings to have possession of the house taken over by the Commissioners.

No H 501/310/1920
13 July 1920

Read circular from L.C.B.

enclosing copy of Order in

Council amending order of 26th May 1909, adopting Sect. 6 of Labourers Act 1906 for the purpose of the Housing of the Working Classes ActNo. 501/367/1920
26th July 1920

Read circular from L.C.B. regarding distance which buildings may

be set back from centre of road

6th July 1920Read circular from L.C.B. enclosing ^{supplementary} list

of architects

The Resolution of the Baines Urban Council of 16th July 1920 deferring any further action under the Housing Scheme until the Government increases the subsidy and makes the Act workable was submitted

The Clerk reported that the Rate Collector lodged £17 since last meeting

The following expenses were ordered for payment:-

Bartley Loughlin	£7	on acc of Street cleaning	✓
Gen Patton	£11-9-0	Income Tax	-
J Gillespie	7-1-8	Poor Rates	✓
O'M'Dermott	15-0-0	on acc of Election Expenses	

It was directed that an interview be arranged with the Surveyor to go into the question of street sweeping etc

The appointment of Inspector under Shops Act was ordered to be brought forward at next ^{monthly} meeting.

Sinnac Ward

26th April 20

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners Office
11th March 1920

A special meeting of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was requisitioned by 5 members for to-day, on 8th inst

Minutes of proceedings of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners at a special meeting held on Thursday 11th March 1920

Mr Seumas Ward Presided

There were also present Messrs:- J. M. Cready, J. M. Shea, J. Cameron, E. Mulhern, McHallagher, R. Neely, J. M. Gurley & J. Holland.

The report of Messrs:- J. M. Congle, J. M. Cready, S. Ward, J. M. Shea & R. Neely, the deputation who interviewed the Market Trustees on 6th inst was submitted in which they pointed out that the Trustees seemed anxious to meet them fairly but the legal adviser to the Trustees who was present at the interview pointed out that the Trust Deed placing the Markets and other property in the hands of certain Trustees for the town did not permit of the number of trustees being increased. He also pointed out that the property was not intended to relieve the rates of the town, but to go to Education or such purposes. The Trustees are prepared to allow an examination of the Trust deed and other documents & supply the Commissioners with copy of same.

It appears ^{Ballyshannon} the market place was purchased over 20 years ago at about £400 in trust for the inhabitants of the town of Ballyshannon. Since then other property appears to have been purchased by the Trustees of the ~~prop~~ market place with the result that it appears to take 25 years from now to enable the liabilities thus incurred to be paid off before the

property can be taken over by the town from the Trustees.
Minute:- We are not satisfied that the Town Commissioners, the elected representatives of the town, have no voice or control in the matter of property held in trust for the town. With the view of at first finding out our duty & right in relation to such property we hereby instruct our Clerk to obtain certified copies of all Trust Deeds and documents in relation to the property including statements of accounts and balance sheets and submit same to the committee consisting of deputation who interviewed the Trustees.

Seumas Ward 12th April '20

Monday 4th April - day on which the ordinary monthly falls having been a Bank Holiday (Easter Monday) the meeting was adjourned till Monday 12th April 1920

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

Minutes of proceedings of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners at meeting held in the Town Commissioners Office Ballyshannon on Monday 12th April 1920

Mr. S. Ward presided.

There were also present Messrs: - J. McCready, J. M. Shea, R. Neely, J. McKinley, J. Kane

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The following correspondence was submitted and directions given thereon as follows:-

- No. - 10545/1920
4th March 1920
Circular from L.G. Board enclosing Civil Service bonus Scale.
"no order"
- No. H 501/340/1920
12th March 1920
Circular from L.G. Board on valuation of sites for building purposes.
"no order"
- No. H 501/499/1920
24th Mar. 1920
Circular from L.G. Board on laying out of sites.
"no order"
- No. H 501/358/1920
7th April 1920
Circular from L.G. Board on loans for building houses. They point out that at the present rate of interest (6%)

the annuities per £100 would be as follows:-

20 years	annuity 9-3-4	(36)	yearly instalments
30	7-8-4	(56)	
40	6-14-4	(76)	
50	6-7-6	(96)	
60	6-4-0	(116)	
80	6-1-4	(156)	

The Rate of Interest however is not fixed permanently and the annuity may vary with

the rates of Interest

- No. 26,254/1920
30 March 1920
Letter from L.G. Board regarding preparation of Register of Electors for last Town Commissioners Election. They point out they have no funds to recoup such expenditure nor is it provided for under the Representation of the People Act 1918. - being a difficulty at first elections.
- No. 72 H 1919
7th April 1920
Read ^{Sealed Order} Order from Local Govt Board fixing charge for auditing the Commissioners accounts for year 31st March 1919 @ £2-2-0
- No H. 501/30/1920
8th April 1920
Circular from L.G. Board indicating changes in procedure to be observed in carrying out a scheme under the Housing of the Working Classes Act.
- 10/2/1920
Circular from Mr. J. Dawson, Tipperary dealing with provision of 25,000 houses. He suggests that the government subsidy should be at rate of 11/6 for 4/- rent tenant pays.
Minute: - "Suggestion approved of"

The following Resolution was proposed by Mr. J. McKinley and seconded by Mr. S. Ward and passed unanimously:-

"That this meeting of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners desire to convey to the Lady Mayoress of Cork the feelings of sorrow with which we learned of the cruel murder of her noble husband, Alderman Thomas McCurtain, and that we ask her to accept this as a mark of our sincere sympathy in the awful calamity which has visited his family"

The Clerk reported that he interviewed the Secretary to the Market Yard Trusts also the Trusts Solicitor with the view of obtaining copies of the Trust Deeds and statements of accounts. The Secretary informed him the Deeds were at Mr. Maguire's

(Trustee Solicitor) office. Mr Maguire Solicitor informed him he thought there would not be much difficulty in getting a copy of one of the Deeds but not inclined to allow copies of them all.

The clerk then wrote, 12th March 1920, to Trustee Secretary stating with reference to report of the Commissioners deputation who met the Trustees - that it was decided, as suggested, to obtain copies of the Truck Deeds & documents, also that copies of statements of accounts and balance sheets be applied for, and asking the matter to be brought before the Trustees to let him know when & where the documents could be inspected & examined or to know whether the Trustees would furnish copies.

- This evening 12th inst. on arrival at Commissioners office he received the following letter.

Market yard, Ballyshannon

9th April 1920

Sir,

I am directed by the Market Trustees to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th ultimo.

I am to refer you to the Trustees' Solicitor for information on the subject of your communication.

Your obedient servant

John Callaghan Secretary

The Town Clerk, Ballyshannon.

The clerk had not seen Solicitor since he received this letter but immediately previous to it had seen him and was told the cost of copies of the documents would be expensive - about 8/6 per folio with perhaps charges for searches etc.

The clerk stated that notice to quit had been served on Mrs Gorman but the summons server could not find her nor obtain admission to house to demand possession.

The following payments were ordered:-

1	Patrick Goan	Stratification	£ 7-0-0
2	Board of Works	Instalment of Loan for half year	25-16-2
3	P. M. Dermott	Salary + postage + stamps to 31st March 1920	7-1-10
4	F. Tuthill	Commission on Rent Collection to 31/3/20	1-9-3
		bonus " " "	1-5-1
		½ year Salary as Street Inspector "	3-0-0
5	Local Government Board	Audit fee for year to 31/3/19	2-2-0
6	Mr. Maguire Solicitor	Preparing Rate Collector's bond	1-6-0
7	P. M. Dermott	Bal in full discharge of Election Expenses	10-0-0
		fees.	£ 59-0-4

Mr. Francis Tuthill was re appointed as Street Inspector for a further 6 months at £3-0-0. He was also granted a bonus of 2½% on rent collection for year ended 31st March 1920 as ordered for payment above.

It was directed that the attention of the County Surveyor and the owner be brought to the dangerous conditions of certain buildings at East Port, and Back St.

It was unanimously decided that Patrick Goan be allowed £7 for street cleaning - northern part of the town for the past year - pay included above.

Burmas Ward
4th. May '20

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

The usual monthly meeting of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was held in the Commissioners office on Tuesday 4th May 1920

Mr J. Ward Presided.

There were also present Messrs:-
R. Neely,
F. M. Cready,
J. Cameron,
F. M. Ginley

The minutes of last meeting were read & signed

The following correspondence was submitted

No. H 501/404/1920
23rd April 1920
Read circular from Local Govt Board enclosing copies of conditions governing grants to private persons or bodies of persons constructing houses under the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919.

No 32089
30th Apr 1920
Read letter from L.G.B. acknowledging receipt of £2.2.0 for audit of accounts

Mr J. Tuthill reported that:-

- (1) John Ward is in arrears of Rent £1
- (2) The dangerous house in Back St. has been removed by the District Council
- (3) The support of the dangerous house

at East Port, Mr G. M. Glavin, thinks there is no danger of the house falling as it is supported by beams inside

(4) The East & West Port Streets are in a neglected state during the past month. He understands there is no contractor for it

Minute:- notice to Quit to be served on Mr. Ward. Co Surveyors Attention

to be drawn to dangerous building at East Port.

A Committee to consult Co. Surveyor regarding the street repairing on 7th inst

Corporation Office Book
20 April 1920

Read letter from Lord Mayor of Cork acknowledging receipt of vote of sympathy with the lady Mayors of Cork on the murder of her husband

Mr John Loughlin applied for the position of Shops Act Inspector. He offered to act for this season at £5.

Mr J. Ward J.C. mentioned that Mr J. M. Ganney who acted as Inspector last year was prepared to continue in office this year also and did not think it necessary to make a written application

Minute:- We are prepared to appoint a suitable applicant approved of by the Shop Assistants and we are willing to pay such person a Salary of £1 for for the 1920 Season.

The clerk reported that he called on Mr Maguire Solicitor to the Market yard trustees to find out if copies of the trust Deeds could be obtained and to find probable cost of such copies. Mr Maguire informed him he was not prepared to give the copies of the Trust Deeds

After some discussion the following resolution was passed unanimously on the motion of Mr F. M. Cready seconded by Mr J. Ward

Resolved:-

That the matter of the Ballyshannon Market yard be brought under the notice of the Executors of the Will

of the late Robert Sweeney and that a statement of the general impression created amongst the people of Ballyshannon be submitted to them with a request that they inform us if it is intended that the Market Yard is to be handed over to the townpeople, to be placed under the management and control of the people of Ballyshannon, through their elected representatives

next meeting to be held on 7 June 1920

James M. Conigle Chairman
7th June 1920

Minutes of proceedings of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners at their monthly meeting held at Town Commissioners Office Ballyshannon on Monday, 7th June 1920 in the chair Mr James McConigle
also present Messrs:- J. J. Stephens, F. McKinley, S. Ward, J. Holland, J. Cameron, M. Ballagh, F. M. Cready, J. Kane, E. Mullin, K. Neely, J. McShea.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The following correspondence was considered

No. 83. /M/1920
27th May 1920
Read circular from L. G. B. applying for particulars of Receipts and expenditure of the Commissioners for year ended 31st March 1920 for the purpose of preparation of local Taxation Statistics Return.

No. H. 501: 364: 1920
31st May 1920
Read circular from L. G. B. enclosing a copy of The Housing (Local Bonds) Regulations (Ireland) 1920 which they have made under the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919. under which the Commissioners may borrow for the purposes of the Housing Act, by the issue of local bonds

No. H 501/532/1920
5th May 1920
Read circular from L. G. B. stating that the grants allowed already for constructing houses have been increased thus bring the grant up to figures ranging from £230 to £260 per house
A supply of leaflets and printed copies of the conditions governing the grants were also received

Statutory Rules and Orders nos. 675, 676 and 704 under the Housing Act were submitted

Read notice from Coal Controller stating that control price of coal so far as wholesalers

and dealers are concerned ceases on 7th June 1920. The price of coal will still be controlled at the pit-head, but the price will be a maximum and not a fixed one.

The Clerk reported that a decree for possession of the house was obtained against Mrs Gorman at last Petty Sessions but was not executed. This tenant had offered to pay the arrears but would not give security for payment of rent in future. The majority of the Commissioners were not inclined to have the eviction carried out.

Minute :- "Messrs Ward, Kane & the Chairman to interview her and obtain the rent."

The Clerk reported having received replies to the Commissioners Resolution of last meeting re Market Yard from two of the Executors of the will of the late Robert Sweeney, viz. Mr H. Allingham, who states that the Executors and trustees have nothing now to say to the matter, but if application is made to Mr Robert Sweeney, Solicitor he will tell how the matter now stands.

(2) Rev. Canon Sweeney P.P. Killybegs replied as follows:-

"In reply to yours of 20th inst I am not able to give you much accurate information as I have no copy of the Deeds or of the assignment of the Ballyphannon Market yard to the present trustees. From my brother's death until we signed the property over to three representative men of Ballyphannon for the benefit of the people of the town the executors took no part in the control or management of the Market yard nor received any benefit therefrom. The revenue from the Market yard was then applied to the payment of current expenses and outlay on improvements; the balance going to repayment of original cost of yard, market H. and farrigien - this liability was not fully discharged when the trust came under the control of the present trustees. After discharging these liabilities the trustees were

to allocate the revenue for the benefit of the people of the town of Ballyphannon.

I heard the trustees, with the approval of the people of ~~the~~ bought the gasworks at a cost of £400. of course that is a liability for which they are accountable, and as it was for the benefit of the people of the town it was a legitimate purpose to apply the revenue. It may not have turned out a successful investment, but if the trustees acted bona fide I suppose no blame can attach.

With regard to the general application of the fund, my brother's view was that the rates of Ballyphannon were not excessive, and that the establishment and maintenance of a Technical school for the training of the young men and young women of Ballyphannon would be a further purpose to apply the funds. However as far as I remember nothing definite was decided in the deed and the application rests with the trustees.

In reference to No. 7. I think you are mistaken, when Robert Sweeney bought the yard I understand he bought the freehold and the right of collecting the tolls, and in order to secure it to the town the property was vested in 3 trustees and not in the Town Commissioners No. 6. You see yourselves the difficulty of having vested in a body changing so often as the T. Commrs. That was the reason the executors under Counsel's advice vested in three representative men of the town for the benefit of the people.

The office of Inspector under the Shops Act was declared vacant and it was directed that advertisements be issued for a Shops Act Inspector for present year at a Salary of £1. Applications to be considered at special meeting on 14th inst.

The Chairman announced

that he had a resolution to propose (at this stage Messrs:-
McCreedy and Neely left the meeting)

The chairman proposed the following Resolution
Resolved " That we, the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners
pledge our allegiance to Dail Eireann and obedience
to its decrees as the legally constituted Government
of this country.

The Resolution was recorded by Mr. S. Ward
and passed unanimously

On the motion of Mr. S. Ward it was unanimously
resolved that the Street at present known as Back Street
be named Lynconnell Street; and the Street known as
Bachelors Walk be named Pearse Street. also that
the name of each street be affixed in a conspicuous
place at the respective street corners and that the
names be in the Irish language.

James McGonigle Chairman
5.7.20

A special meeting of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was
held at the Town Commissioners Office on Monday 14th June
1920 to consider applications for position of Inspector under
the Shops Acts.

Mr. James McGonigle presided
There were also present Messrs F. McCreedy, R. Neely,
F. McSinley and J. M. Shea.

There were two applications received and
submitted viz. Thomas McGinness and James Belfedder
It was unanimously decided that Mr. Belfedder be
appointed for present year at Salary of £1

James McGonigle Chairman
5.7.20

A special meeting of the Ballyshannon
Town Commissioners was held in the
Town Commissioners Office on Friday 25th June 1920
to deal with the matter of fishing in the river
Erne from off the Ballyshannon bridge.

Mr. J. McGonigle presided

There were also present:- Messrs:- J. M. Shea,
S. Ward, J. Kane, R. Neely, J. Holland, J. Banerion,
F. McGeeley, & Mulhern.

The requisition to summon meeting was read.

Some discussion took place regarding fishing from off
the Ballyshannon bridge.

Mr. Seumas Ward proposed the following Resolution

Resolved:- That we charge a sum of £2
per week or part of a week to each person
using the Bridge over the River Erne at
Ballyshannon for fishing off.

Mr. J. McGonigle recorded the Resolution

Mr. R. Neely proposed an amendment:- "That no
action be taken in the matter"
The amendment was not recorded and the
Resolution was declared carried.

The Clerk was instructed to notify Mr.
Lyon, Manager for Fishery Co. accordingly, and
to inform him that above charge is to take effect
on or after Monday next 28th inst

James McGonigle
Chairman
5.7.20

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

A meeting of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was held at the Town Commissioners Office on Monday 5th July 1920

Mr J. M. Chongle

Also present Messrs J. M. Gintley, J. M. Shea
S. Ward, J. Holland, J. Cameron, J. M. Ceady
& R. Neely.

Mrs. Fox, tenant of one of the Commissioners' cottages applied for two panes of glass to be put in one of her windows. This was ordered to be done.

12th June 1920 - Read notice from the Treasurer - (Provincial Bank) stating they will charge 2¹/₂% per half-year for keeping the Commissioners account.

14th June 1920 - Read notice from Registrar of Petty Sessions stating that £1-18-5 surplus from sale of dog licences has been paid over to the Commissioners' Treasurers - (This sum is for year 1919)

No H. 501:1106
19th June 1920
Read circular from L.S. 13 stating that in housing schemes each local authority should arrange their own terms for clerk work in proportion to copying through of schemes.

The circular of the Larkin Release Committee dated June 1920 was submitted, when Mr S. Ward proposed "that we protest against the treatment meted out to Jim Larkin in putting him in prison and we demand his release". The proposition was seconded by Mr J. Cameron and declared carried - Messrs Neely and Mr Ceady dissenting.

Mr. James Gilfeader, Shops Act Inspector reported that Mr. Thomas Jammony refuses to close his shop at East Port on the half holiday each

week; though warned to close as required.

Minute:- "Messrs:- Ward and Neely to interview him and ~~force~~ ask him to observe the half-holiday in common with the other shop-keepers."

It was directed that the Collector be asked to close his collection (for year 1919-20) before next meeting.

It was unanimously resolved that a rate be made on day of next monthly meeting.

It was unanimously decided that Monday 19th July be fixed as day of annual holiday for town of Ballyshannon this year. Notice of same to be given by poster. A note to be included in poster pointing out that the following Wednesday will not be a half holiday.

Sir Vere Foster, Lodes wrote stating the Commissioners charge of £2 per week or part of week for permission to fish off the bridge is too high taking into account that he might be only an hour fishing off the bridge.

Minute:- ~~That he be~~ We direct that he be charged only £1 on this occasion."

The following payments were ordered:-

Messrs:- J. Nyles & Co for light to Aug 1920	£45.0.0
W. B. Johnston Insurance	1.1.0
Mr. Maguire Cost of decree of possession of house from Mrs. Gorman	1.16.0

James McElgonigle Chairman

3rd 8. 20

Minutes of Proceedings of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners
at a special meeting held on Friday 30th July 1920

Mr. James McGonigle Presided

There were also present Messrs: S. Ward, J. Holland, J. M. Gentry,
J. Cameron, E. Mulhern

The Clerk read the requisition convening meeting to deal with
matters relating to Ballyshannon Market yard etc

The question of the property held in trust for the people
of the town including Market yard etc, by the Market yard trustees
was discussed and it was unanimously resolved
on the motion of Mr S. Ward seconded by Mr J. Cameron

"That it is our opinion that and the opinion of the
"people whom we represent that the market yard was
"purchased for the benefit of the town, we are not
"satisfied that it remain in the hands of the Trustees
"but believe it should be owned and controlled by the
"elected representatives of the town viz- the Ballyshannon
"Town Commissioners, and with the view of taking
"over the property held in trust for the town by the
"said Trustees, including Market House, Gas works, Fairgreen Market yard
"and any other ~~property relating to~~ of the said trust property, we
"appoint a deputation consisting of ~~three~~ members to
"examine the Trust deeds and documents along with Mr P. J. Ward
"Solicitor. We instruct said deputation to demand of the Trustees
"the handing over ~~to~~ to the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners
"all of said Trust property as early as possible"

Messrs J. McGonigle, S. Ward & J. Cameron were appointed
as members of Deputation above referred to

It was directed that Mr P. J. Ward M.P. be appointed to examine
the documents and that the Trustees be asked to submit the Trust
deeds & documents for said examination, at the House of Representatives 66.

The Chairman informed the meeting that Mr. R. Sweeney, ^{Justice,} approached
him and expressed a willingness to have the property transferred
to the Commissioners.

James McGonigle Chairman
3.8.20

Minutes of proceedings of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners
at meeting on Tuesday 3rd August 1920 in the
Town Commissioners office

Mr James McGonigle Presided

There were also present Messrs:- S. Ward, J. M. Gentry,
J. Holland, J. Cameron, J. M. Cready & R. Neely

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The following correspondence was submitted:-

No. 113 M. 1920 Circular from L.G.B. asking
10th July 1920 for a copy of the notice of
the rate made by the Town
Commissioners for service of the year ending
31st March 1921

No. 501. 1075. 420. Circular from L.G.B. applying
14th July 1920 for particulars of houses
in respect which the
Commissioners issued certificates under the
Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919.

Minute:- No Houses being constructed here under
the Act.

Belfast, Read notice from John Mc Hamill
31st July 1920. Colr, of 24 Arthur St Belfast stating
his client ~~Mr~~ D.W. Corry Ltd of
Belfast intended to apply for £1000
compensation for destruction of a motor lorry, fittings,
etc, at Ballyshannon on 27th or 28th July 1920

Mr. F. Tutill reported that Mr. Gorman has
failed to pay any rent since 7th June last and is
now 16/- in arrears

Minute:- Chairman to interview him to obtain
the rent

Mr Inthill also reported he had repaired the broken window in Mr Fox's house at a cost of 8/4 "approved"

The account of Mr Dundas for repairs to Cottages £5-19-0 was submitted but payment deferred till there be money in the Treasurer's hands.

Read circular from Local Govt Board stating their attention has been called to a series of Resolutions passed by local Authorities in Ireland repudiating the authority of the Imperial Parliament and declaring their intention of placing obstacles in the way of existing administration under the British Government. The Government have given instructions that no loans or grants be made by the L.G. Board to any local Authority which does not submit its accounts to audit, or be prepared to conform to the rules and orders of the L.G.B. as heretofore

The clerk reported that he wrote on 31st July to Mr Ward Solr. and to the Secretary Market yard Trustees relative to examination of the Trust documents referred to at meeting on 30th ult. - Mr Ward replied by telegram stating he could attend on 4th inst; no reply had been received from the Trustees.

Minute:- The Chairman and Messrs:- Ward and Cameron to examine the documents along with Mr Ward as soon as possible with the view of carrying out decision arrived at ~~at~~ by meeting on 30th ult.

The striking of a new rate for the month of financial year ending 31st March, 1921, was considered, and the clerk having submitted his estimate, it was unanimously

adopted. The following resolution was passed unanimously "That a rate of one shilling in the pound be this day assessed on all occupiers and owners of premises and three pence in the pound on all occupiers and owners of land within the Township, ^{to defray the expenses} as set forth in the clerk's estimate for service of year ending 31st March 1921. Said rate to be payable on and after 7th September 1920.

It was directed that the owner of the dangerous grating at Market Street have the grating repaired so as not to be a danger to the public

James James O'Connell
9.9.20.

A special meeting of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners Offices on Wednesday 18th August 1920. The object of the meeting was "to deal with the evil situation created in Belfast through the action of the Unionists in depriving thousands of workmen of their employment

Mr. James McConigle Presided

There were also present Messrs:- J. J. Stephens, Cameron, J. Holland, J. McShea, S. Mulhern, M. Gallagher, F. McKealey, & R. Neely

After some discussion the following resolution was proposed by Mr J. McConigle seconded by Mr J. Cameron and declared carried Mr Neely - stating he was in sympathy with the first part of the Resolution but dissented from the latter clause of it.

Resolution

Resolved

That we the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners condemn the deplorable state of affairs brought about by the Unionists in Belfast where thousands

of workmen have recently been driven from employment on account of their political or religious views and resulting in the loss of several lives already.

Dail Eireann has decreed it illegal to impose a religious or political test as a condition of industrial employment in Ireland, yet it is sought by the Unionists in Belfast to establish a right and power to impose such a test. Were the Unionists to succeed then the system might be further extended until the workman, whose political or economic views were antagonistic to those of the plutocrat and profiteer, was squeezed out of existence with the aid of such a force as that now being formed out of the British army in India, employed as it is being employed to shoot down Indian natives who claim a higher rate of pay than the three farthings an hour which the English owners allow them.

Realising that Belfast draws from Munster, Leinster and Connaught a quarter of a million pounds a week for its distributing trade alone we consider it unwise that this large sum of money be continued pouring into Belfast where such bigotry and inhumanity is being exhibited by the Unionists and we recommend the traders and public bodies to forthwith cease trading with those Unionist Belfast firms until the men recently dismissed from employment in that city on political or religious grounds be reinstated and the test withdrawn.

Seamus Mac's Board

9. 9. 20.

The monthly meeting of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was adjourned from Monday 6th Sept 1920 to Thursday the 9th September 1920

Minutes of proceedings of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners at their meeting held at the Town Commissioners Office Ballyshannon on Thursday 9th September 1920

Mr Seumas Ward presides

There were also present Messrs:- J. Cameron, R. Neely, F. M. Cready, F. McGinley, J. Holland, J. M. Shea, E. Mulhern, J. Kane.

Read in answer to advertisement one tender was received for public lighting of the town of Ballyshannon viz. Messrs J. Myles & Co at £98 for same lighting of the streets as last year.

Minute:- Accepted.

Mr J. Holland referred to the need of an extra light at Erne St and Mr M. Cready was requested to see to the matter.

Mr A. M. Shea applied on behalf of a number of residents and ratepayers to have a light on the pathway leading past his house.

Minute:- To be referred to a committee consisting of Messrs:- M. Cready, Mulhern & Neely together with Mr M. Shea.

Read Circular from the Ministry of Labour Dail Eireann asking that a conciliation Board be established to settle differences questions such as wages & hours of employment between the Commissioners and their employees.

August 1920. Read
Circular from
Department of Labour Dail Eireann urging
that members of the R.I.B. who have discarded
the Uniform of the Army of Occupation and
are prepared to accept the responsibility of
citizenship should be given a chance of
becoming loyal citizens of the Irish Republic
and for this purpose should be helped. Every
effort should be made to find suitable work
for such men

"The recommendations in the Circular were adopted"

16th Aug 1920

Read letter from
Dail Eireann acknowledging
receipt of Resolution pledging allegiance to Dail
Eireann and stating copies would be forwarded
to the Governments referred to in the Resolution

No. H 501/1365/1920
17th Aug 1920

Read circular from
L.S. Board stating
the restrictions as to
date for submitting plans for building houses to
qualify for grants is now removed; and
in a further letter date 24th Aug 1920 they
state they believe the Government are
introducing legislation for extending
by 12 months the period for completion
of houses to qualify for the grants

No. H 2606/1920
30th Aug 1920

to Civil Servants

Read Circular from
L.S. Board enclosing scale
of War bonus applicable

No H 501/1544/1920
7th Sept 1920

to the Commissioners to revise the

Read circular from
L.S. Board pointing
out that it is open

Rents of their Cottages

7th Sept 1920

Read notice from Inspector
General stating he intends
to claim £25 compensation for damage to Ballyshannon
R.I.B. Barracks on night of 30 August 1920

No 43,849 /1920
23rd Aug 1920

Read circular from L.S. Board
asking for a return of
expenditure under Public
Health and ~~the~~ Housing Acts for years 1891
1901, 1911, & 1919.

The question of rights of way within the town
boundary was discussed and it was directed
that inquiries as to same be made before
next meeting.

The question of charging a rent on Harvest
Fair day for portions of the Diamond occupied
by stall was discussed and it was decided
to take no action this year.

The Clerk reported that Mr Ward Solr n.p.
was coming to town tomorrow night to
examine the Market yard etc Trust deeds, and
Mr Sweeney, one of the Trustees had agreed to
hand over same to him for examination.

The Rate made on the 3rd day of August 1920
was signed and a warrant made out to
Miss Ellen Jane McGrath for its collection

James McHugh
Chairman

4th Oct 1920

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

The usual monthly meeting of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was held on Monday 4th October 1920 in the Town Commissioners Office Ballyshannon

Minutes of Proceedings

Mr. James McElonigle presided. There were also present Messrs. J. McCready, M. Gallagher, J. McGinley, and S. Ward.

The clerk reported that the Market trustees deeds etc had been handed over to Mr Ward Solicitor for examination, and he informs him (the Clerk) that on sign receiving a signed agreement from the Commissioners to submit the matter to arbitration he will go carefully into the matter and give his decision. He will require a similar agreement from the Trustees.

Minute:- That we adjourn this meeting till Friday 8th inst to consider this matter further.

Before adjourning the Commissioners considered the question of public rights of ways in the town, mentioning, one at West Port at Mr P. Campbell's, one at East Port at junction of Roads, and one at Mall opposite Technical School.

They directed that notices be posted up, warning people not deposit rubbish on the latter.

It was directed that Mr Francis Luthill be employed as streets Inspector for 6 months to 31st March 1921 at £3 and that he be paid £3 for past half year.

It was directed that the Fanlight, door and latch of Mrs Brown's cottage be repaired.

J. H. McCready
Acty Chairman
4 Dec 1920.

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

The adjourned monthly meeting of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was held on Friday 8th October 1920. in the Town Commissioners Office Ballyshannon,

Minutes of proceedings.

Mr James McElonigle presided. There were also present Messrs. R. Neely, J. McCready, J. Kane, S. Ward, and J. McGinley.

The special business was, consideration of submitting the market yard, etc. question, to arbitration, by Mr P. J. Ward, Solr. M.P. It was unanimously agreed that the matter be submitted to arbitration by Mr Ward, and that Mr J. McCready be appointed to give evidence at the arbitration, the Clerk to communicate with Mr Ward, and the trustees, on the matter.

J. H. McCready
Acty Chairman
4-12-20-

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

The usual monthly meeting of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was held on Monday 6th Decr. 1920 in the Town Commissioners Office Ballyshannon

Minutes of Proceedings

Mr F. McCreedy presided. There were also present Messrs. J. Holland, R. Keely, M. Callaghan & F. Cameron.

Mr R. Keely proposed & Mr F. Cameron seconded that Mr Cormac McEwan Clerk of Union, Ballyshannon act as temporary Town Clerk until the return of Mr P. McDermott who is on sick leave.

"Passed Unanimously"

The Rent Collector Mr F. Tuttrill was instructed to have notices to Quit served in the cases of Mrs Egan & Mrs Ward tenants of Orligan's dwellings in Erne St being for arrears of rent.

It was unanimously decided that the Acting Clerk write Miss McEwan Rate Collector asking her to be good enough to have arrears of previous Rates and the whole of the Current ^{rate} collected and lodged before ^{and of} the present year.

The Acting Clerk was also instructed to write the Co. Surveyor, Donegal, requesting him to have the defective footpaths in the Town of Ballyshannon repaired with as little delay as possible, it having come to their knowledge that he has secured a Contractor for this work.

Messrs F. McCreedy, R. Keely, J. Holland, F. Cameron
The following members were appointed as a Sub-committee to confer with the Ballyshannon District Council from time to time with reference to road maintenance, urgent and necessary repairs to footpaths etc.

Mr R. Keely proposed and Mr F. McCreedy seconded a vote of sympathy with their Clerk Mr McDermott in his recent illness and hopes for his speedy recovery, all the other members in turn ~~expressed~~ desired to associate themselves with the vote of sympathy.

An Agreement made the 9 day of Sept 1920 between the Town Commissioners of the Town of Ballyshannon of the one part, and John Nyles & Co of Ballyshannon of the other part with reference to the lighting of the Streets of the town of Ballyshannon was ordered to be sealed by the seal of the Town Commissioners and signed.

Several small accounts were submitted for payment and it was ordered that payment be deferred till next meeting.

James McEgan Chairman
10/11/21

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

Minutes of proceedings of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners
at meeting held on Monday 10th January 1921

In the chair Mr James McGonigle
Also present Messrs: Cameron, J M Shea R Neely
J J Stephens F McGinley

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed

Mr Tutkhill Rent collector reported having served notice
to quit on John Ward, tenant of cottage in Erne St on 31st ult.
He called on different occasions to demand possession but
failed to get into house.

He also reported that the cottage lately occupied by Mrs.
Gorman is vacant.

On a show of hands being taken it was decided that
Patrick Brown be accepted as tenant on his signing
agreement and obtaining security for payment of rent
There were two other applicants for the cottage viz F McMenamin
and K. Forde.

The arrears list of rates for year ended 31st March 1920 was
submitted and as a number of the rate items were collectible
it was directed that the Collector try and recover them.

The payment of accounts were held over till a sufficient sum
be in the Treasurers hands to meet them.

James McGonigle C.T.C.
7th Feby 21

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

The annual meeting of the Ballyshannon
Town Commissioners was held in the Town
Commissioners' office on Monday 31st
January 1921

Mr J McGonigle Presides.

Also present Messrs: F McGeady, F McGinley, R Neely & J J Stephens
Mr F McGinley proposed and Mr J J Stephens
seconded that Mr James McGonigle
be appointed chairman for coming year.

There was no amendment and
Mr McGonigle was accordingly declared elected, and
he then signed his declaration of acceptance
of office.

Mr R. Neely proposed and Mr J McGonigle
seconded that Mr S. Ward be appointed
Vice Chairman for coming year.

There was no amendment and Mr
Ward was accordingly declared elected

The Chairman returned thanks for
this continued confidence in him in electing
him to the office again.

Next meeting 7th February 1921

James McGonigle
7th Feby 21

Seán Mac o'Gaird.

Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

The usual monthly meeting of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was held in the Town Commissioners office on Monday 7th February 1921

Mr. J. McGonigle presided

Also present Messrs:- J. McLinley R. Neely, M. Gallagher & J. McCready

The minutes of last meeting were read & signed

The circulars of the Unemployment Grants Committee of 20th January and 1st February 1921 were submitted but no action taken - The Commissioners not having any scheme in hand to which the grants are applicable

No. H. 501/1768/1921
25th January 1921
A circular from L.G.B. was submitted giving standard specification for cement or concrete construction of houses

No 60616 : 1920 8 th Nov 1920 and No 730 : 1921 11 th January 1921	} Notices ^{were} submitted from the L.G.B. that the following orders cease to have effect " The Turf (Maximum Prices) Order 1918 " Gas local " 1920 " Lighting Heating & Power " 1920 " local " 1920
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No. H 501/1720/1920
23rd Nov 1920
Read circular from L.G.B. inquiring as to amount of loan outstanding at 1st April last under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts
"Replied to"

No 60347/1920
10th Dec 1920
Read notice from L.G.B. showing that the rate of interest chargeable by the Treasury on Housing and other loans is from 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ % to 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ %

No. 57884
4th Nov 1920

Read notice from L.G.B. that an under Sheriff is not eligible to be a Town Commissioner

21st Dec 1920
Read Resolution of the Irish County Councils General Council pointing out that the only persons authorised to speak on behalf of the Irish nation on the question of Peace & War is Dail Eireann was submitted & marked read

The clerk reported that since last meeting Mr Francis M. McManus got possession of one of the vacant cottages in Erue Street (that occupied by John Word till 10th January 1921)
Minute :- "Approved"

The Balance to the credit of the Commissioners at today being £26-12-2 of which about £22-10-0 is retained in respect of current year it was directed that the Rate Collector be urged to push on the collection to enable the accounts to be paid.

The following accounts were ordered to be paid.

M. J. Gilfedder Salary as Shops Act Inspector for past season	£1-0-0
F. Tutthill Salary as Shops Inspector to 30/9/20 & Rent Collector fees	18-5
J. Dundas for repairs to Cottages	5-19-0
Dougal Democrat Printing & Advertising	4-10-7
J. Gillespie Poor Rates on Cottages to 30/9/20	8-8-1
F. Tutthill Cash paid for repairs to Cottage	8-4
B. Coyle Billposting	3-0
Helys Ltd 3 copies Abstracts of papers	5-0
G. Patton Income Tax	10-6
A. Hubbs Rent	2-9-0
P. Daly Repairs to Cottage	1-0-0
E. J. McBrath on ap of Collection fees for Rates of 1919-20	10-0-0
Total	38-11-11

On the motion Mr J. McLinley proposed a vote of sympathy with their colleague Mr E. Mallon

on the death of his sister the proposal was seconded by Mr R-Neely and passed in silence - the members standing

F. N. McCreedy
Acty Chairman 7 Mar 1921.

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Mr F. M. Cready presided

There were also present Messrs: - R. Neely, F. McGinley, J. M. Shea and J. Stephens

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

No. 5091: 1921
26th Feb 1921
Read letter from L.G. Board enclosing audited abstracts of the Commissioners accounts together with auditors report thereon for year ended 31st March 1920

No. H. 457/1/1921
7th Feb 1921
Read letter from L.G.B. stating that the period ~~under~~ during which houses should have been commenced to qualify for grants under the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919 expired on 23rd Decr 1920.

It is possible that the system of grants may yet be extended on the same lines as was formerly proposed, and in the meantime it is open to a local authority to examine plans for houses

23rd Feb 1921
Read notice from L.G. Board that Captain G. Wynne auditor has

been appointed to audit the commissioners accounts after 31st March and until further notice

10 Feb 1921
Read notice from L.G. Board that they have changed their address for housing purposes from Leuston House to 30 Lt. Fitzwilliam St Dublin.

10th Feb 1921
Read circular from Standing Executive Committee of the Irish White Cross enclosing appeal for funds

The Rate collector submitted list of uncollected Rates for year ended 31st March 1920 amounting to £9-17-3 and it was directed that she be asked to apply again for several items on the list which the commissioners believe are recoverable. The amounts collected by her are -

1919-20 Rate	£179-19-8
1920-21 Rate	£83-6-8

The following accounts were ordered for payment:-

J. Myles & Co	on a/c Lighting Contract	£49-0-0
J. McGrath	Balance Rate Collection fees for 1919-20 Rate	3-12-3
D. Irvine	Printing	3-2-6
J. Sweeney	Cash paid for Street cleaning	1-0-0
	Total	£56-14-9

F. N. McCreedy
4 April 1921.

Summary of accounts year ended 31st March 1921

1921		1920	
Mar 31	Dog Licences	1-18-5	Mar 31 By Bal a/c at close of last yr
	Count Fees	2-0-6	7-0-5
	Cottage Rents	41-6-0	1921
	Town Rates	169-1-1x	Mar 31 Rents Taxes & Insurance
			12-8-7
			Salaries Wages etc of cos
			30-18-4
			Public Lighting
			94-0-0
			Printing Stationery & Adverts
			7-18-1
			Repairs to Cottages
			7-7-4
			Postage stamps
			8-6
			Audit Fee to 30/3/19
			2-2-0
			Electricity exp - bal.
			10-0-0
			Legal Expenses
			3-2-0
			Billposting
			3-0-
			Repayments of Loans
			25-16-2
			Street Cleansing
			8-0-0
			Bank Interest
			1-16-1
			Bal in fav of Comms.
			3-5-6
			<u>£ 7-14-6-0</u>

Includes £84-18-7 of last year's Rate
 " £84-6-6 of 1920-21 Rate

£ 214-6-0

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Ballyshannon Town Commissioners

Town Clerk's Office,

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The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

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9th March 1921

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	Cart Fees	2-0-6	1921 Mar 31	Rents Taxes & Insurance	12-8-7
	Cottage Rents	41-6-0		Salaries Wages etc of fees	30-18-4
	Town Rates	<u>169-1-1x</u>		Public Lighting	94-0-0
				Printing Stationery & Advt	7-18-1
	Includes £84-18-7 of last year Rate			Repairs to Cottages	7-7-4
	" £84-6-6 of 1920-21 Rate			Postage stamps	8-6
				Audit Fee to 30/3/19	2-2-0
				Electron exp - bal.	10-0-0
				Legal Expenses	3-2-0
				Billposting	3-0-
				Repayments of Loans	25-16-2
				Street Cleansing	8-0-0
				Bank Interest	1-16-1
				Bal in fav of Commrs.	<u>3-5-6</u>
					<u>£ 214-6-0</u>

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The condition of the Back wall Street was brought under the notice of

the meeting, as was also the condition of the premises leading to Mall quay.

The clerk was instructed to communicate with the Surveyor to have the back mall kept in a proper condition, + Mr Neely intimated he would have the question of the Mall quay brought before the District Council at next meeting.

Mr J. Fithell applied a bonus of 6^d in the pound on the cessage rents collected by him during past year, which was granted.

The following payments were ordered

Donegal Vindicator	Printing & advertising	£ 6-10-4
F. Fithell	collection fees to date	1-4-11
"	bonus on same	1-2-1
"	Salary as Street Inspector to 31/3/21	3-0-0
J. Gillespie	Poor Rates on cessages to "	8-8-1
P. M. Dermott	Salary as clerk to 30/9/21	10-0-0
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J. F. McCreedy
9 May 1921-

Minutes of Proceedings of Ballyshannon
Town Commissioners at meeting on Monday
9th May 1921

In the chair Mr J. McCreedy.

Also present: Messrs. J. Holland, J. McGuinley,
J. J. Stephens, E. Mulhern, R. Neely, Cameron.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed - the Chairman protesting against decision to not pay Local Government Road Audit fee.

The clerk reported that the following had applied for position of Inspector under Shops Acts: P. Gallagher, J. McGuinley, J. Gillespie, J. Forde, J. Redmond.

Mr. McCreedy proposed and Mr. J. J. Stephens seconded, "that an Inspector be appointed under the Shops Acts at £1 for present year."

Mr. J. Cameron proposed and Mr. J. Holland seconded "that no Inspector be appointed."

On a show of hands Mr. McCreedy's motion was declared carried by 4 votes.

Mr. J. J. Stephens proposed and Mr. J. McGuinley seconded "that we appoint P. Gallagher Shops Acts Inspector."

Mr. Cameron proposed and Mr. J. Holland seconded "that we appoint Mr. J. Redmond Shops Acts Inspector."

Mr. R. Neely proposed and Mr. E. Mulhern seconded "that Mr. J. McGuinley be appointed."

On a show of hands 3 voted for Gallagher, 2 for Redmond and 2 for McGuinley. Mr. Neely then withdrew her motion and

on a further show of hands 4 voted for Phallagher and 3 for J Redmond.

Mr. Phallagher was then declared appointed Shops Act Inspector.

The Resolution of the Armagh Rural District Council of 8th April last recommending "that some united action should be taken by such Local Authorities, before it is too late, to oppose the importation of Canadian Store cattle to Great Britain and prevent the injury which would result to an important Irish Industry" was adopted.

Y. McTandy

6 June 1921

The usual monthly meeting of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was held in the Town Commissioners Office on Monday 6th June 1921

Mr. F. McCready presided

There were also present Messrs J. McEnulty, J. Holland, R. Neely & J. Stephens

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

The following correspondence was read

- (1) Letter from Miss E. J. McGrath Rate Collector applying for £11-19-8 Commission on rates collected (all of which is lodged except £ 38-8-9 which she states she will lodge on tomorrow) She also applies for commission on

the irrecoverable rates

Minute: Payment to be made only on the amounts collected etc.

No. H. 501/1952/1921

7th May 1921

Read Circular from L.G.B.

pointing out that the Govt. have introduced

a ~~Bill~~ Housing Bill which in its application to Ireland includes provision for extending the time during which houses may be completed, up to 23rd June 1922, and authorising grants to be paid in respect of houses commenced after the passing of the Bill into law.

The Bill has passed its second reading and if finally passed, the requisite regulation will be issued as soon as possible thereafter.

The local Government Board for Ireland wrote stating their present address is 6, 7 and 8 College Green Dublin.

The local Circular Letter from local Government Dept. Daib Eireann was submitted stating that the importation and sale of the following ^{British-made} goods is prohibited: -
Morganne, Binders, ploughs, Harrows, mowing machines, Swathe turners, Corn-drills, Horse Rakes, Hay trolleys, (Kick shifter) root cutters, Biscuits, Boot-polishes and soap.

The following payments were ordered.

E. J. McGrath on ap Collection fees	11-0-0
J. Myles on 2nd Inst. lighting Contract to 3/4 of 49-0-0	
G. Patton " Income tax	0-10-6
Total.	60-10-6

Jane McEnulty, Chairman
4/7/21

Minutes of Proceedings of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners
at their monthly meeting held in the Town Commissioners
office on Monday 4th July 1921

In the chair Mr J McGoigle
Also present: Messrs F McCready, J McGinley
M. Gallagher & R Neely.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

16th June 1921 Read letter from Mr S. Ward Vice Chairman
thanking the Commissioners for the
respect they have shown him in appointing him
as vice Chairman. He states he had already
written them before but he understands his letter
was not delivered. His present address is Ballyhenlea
Internment Camp

22nd June 1921 Read Circular from
Fisheries Department Dublin
Euseann, urging the development of the
Fishing resources of this Country both Sea
and inland and pointing out the necessity
of protecting same from poaching and
destruction of young fish

Mr. F. Futhill reports that a quantity of
rubbish is gathered in heaps on the Street of
northern part of the town. This should
be removed or it will block vennels
and gratings if rain comes.

Minute:- To Surveyor to be asked to
have same removed as early
as possible, pending employment of
a regular contractor.

It was unanimously decided that Monday 25th
must be fixed as a general Holiday in Ballyshannon
Town.

The Rate Collectors arrears list was submitted
showing rates outstanding of £25 The Commissioners
went into each individual case and directed that the
Collector make an effort to collect the greater
part of same. Notices to be served threatening
legal proceedings if amounts due be not paid.

The lodgments since last meeting were:-

Rates	£40 1 1
Rents	4 0 0
Interest	2 7

James McGoigle Chairman

8th Aug 21

Town Lighting
Notice to Strike Rate

Minutes of proceedings of Ballyslannon Town Commissioners at meeting held in Town Commissioners Office on Monday 8th August 1921

Mr. J. M. Goughle presided

There were also present Messrs:- F. M. Guiley, F. M. Creedy, T. M. Shea, J. Holland, J. J. Stephens, M. Gallagher & J. Cameron

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Circulars from B.G.B. no H 501/2038 date 5th July 1921 and no H 501/2063/1923 date 29th July 1921 on Housing schemes were submitted

Read inquiry from Capt. Wynne L. Gort Auditor inquiring as to what date the accounts were audited up to.

The Clerk reported he informed him they were audited up to 31st March 1920, and as the audit fees were not paid it might be well ^{not} to issue audit notice at present

8th Aug 1921 Read letter from Mr. A. M. Shea pointing out there should be a light on roadway leading from East Port to East Rock where a number of town people have to go to his house for milk in winter

It was decided to invite tenders for lighting of town same as last year - also to invite quotations for each extra light the Commissioners might require. Quotation for erection of light pole fittings at place indicated by Mr. M. Shea also to be invited.

It was unanimously resolved that a rate be made on day of next monthly meeting for service of year ending 31st March 1922

The Clerk reported there were £20 of last year's rate still outstanding, of which perhaps £9 was recoverable

The Rate Collector was instructed to have collection closed by next meeting.

The following payments were ordered:-

Commissioners of Public Works, last winter loan inst. £25-16-7	
G. Patton - Income Tax deducted from Ground rent of College	10-6
Total	25-7-1

James M. Goughle Chairman
5.9.21

Minutes of proceedings of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners at meeting held in Town Commissioners Office, on Monday 5th Sept. 1921

Mr J. McConigle Presided

There were also present Messrs: F. McEneaney, F. McBreedy, R. Keely, J. McShea, J. Holland, M. Gallagher

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Correspondence from The Carnegie United Kingdom Trust was read with reference to the establishment of a scheme of books distribution in certain Irish Counties.

Miss E. J. McGrath Town Rate Collector (tender) has resignation, and thanks the members for their courtesy to her while in office.

Minute:-

"To be considered at special meeting to be held on Monday Evening next at 8.00 pm. Clerk to communicate this decision to Miss McGrath and request her to attend and furnish a list of all uncollected rates"

Messrs J. Nyles & Co. Ballyshannon in answer to advertisement tenders for the Electric Lighting of the Streets of Ballyshannon same number of lights as last year - from 15th Sept. 1921 to 30th April 1922 at the sum of £98.

For additional lights on Existing Rates - the sum of £2 each. Referring to light proposed at East Rock the charge for extension would be £4 and for lighting £2 for the season.

Minute:- Tenders for lighting Streets same number of lights as last year - from 15th September 1921 to 30th April 1921. at a sum of £98 with £2 extra for a new light at East Rock and £2 extra for any other new lights was accepted. Regarding new light at East Rock Messrs Nyles & Co. tendered to make the necessary extension at £4. Mr R. Keely who was present stated he would contribute one half the cost of this extension of Mr A. McShea who would benefit most by it contributed the other half. This was agreed to.

The striking of a new rate for the service of financial year ending 31st March, 1922. was considered, and Mr. Clerk having submitted his estimate, it was unanimously adopted.

The following resolution was passed unanimously that a rate of one shilling in the pound be this day assessed on all occupiers and owners of premises and three Pence in the pound on all occupiers and owners of land within the Township to defray the expenses as set forth in the Clerk's estimate for service of year ending 31st March, 1922. Said rate to be payable on and after 7th October 1921.

James McConigle Chairman
17.10.21

A Special meeting was held in the Town Commissioners Office, Ballyshannon on Monday 10th Sept. 1920.

J. McConigle Presided

There were also present Messrs E. Mulhern, R. Keely, F. McBreedy, F. McEneaney.

The business of the meeting was consideration of Miss McGrath's resignation as Town Rate Collector which was left over from last meeting.

Miss McGrath who was present produced a list of the uncollected rates according to instructions.

Consideration of her resignation was deferred until next meeting, and the Collector in the meantime to collect as much as possible of the outstanding rates.

James McConigle Chairman
17.10.21

A meeting of the Commissioners was held in the Town Commissioners' Office on Monday 17th October 1921

Mr J. McGonigle presided

There were also present: Messrs J. M. Cready, M. Gallagher, J. M. Shea, J. Bamron, R. Neely, J. J. Stephens, J. M. Givley, J. Holland

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Miss E. J. M. Grath Rate Collector was present and it was agreed that she should have collection closed on Monday 21st inst.

An application of Mr J. Futhill for £ for half year as Street Inspector was left over

Circulars were submitted from Local Government Board, and Department of Local Government Dail Eireann dealing with superannuation of officers and Warbonuses.

No action was taken as no superannuation allowances are contemplated

Read circular from Dail Eireann giving list of British manufactured goods the importation and sale of which is prohibited

It was decided that next meeting be held to consider Rate Collectors resignation and list of outstanding Rates.

James M. G. G. Chairman
7-11-21

A Special meeting of the Commissioners was held on Monday 24th October 1921 to deal with Rate Collector's resignation. The

Mr J. McGonigle presided

There were also present Messrs: R. Neely, J. M. Cready, M. Gallagher, J. M. Givley

The several items of uncollected rates were submitted and most of them appeared irrecoverable while several might be collected. It was decided to hand ^{list of} them to collector with current year's Rate book.

The Resignation of Miss E. J. M. Grath Rate Collector was accepted and it was decided to advertise for Rate Collector @ 1/5th cent on amount collected - appointment to be made on 7th Nov 1921

The arrears list of collector submitted showed nett arrears for 1919-20 year of £ 10.17.1 and for year 1920-21 - £ 17.19.2. The amount at present in hands of collector being £ 7.8.5

James M. G. G. Chairman
7-11-21

A meeting of the Commissioners was held on Monday 7th November 1921

Mr J. McGonigle presided. There were also present Messrs: J. Bamron, R. Neely, J. M. Givley, J. M. Shea, M. Gallagher, E. Mulhem, J. M. Givley, J. Holland

The special business was consideration of applications for post of Rate Collector. There was only one application and the applicant instructed one of the Commissioners to inform the meeting he withdrew his application and did not wish it go before the meeting.

The application was not discussed, and it was decided to issue advertisements inviting applicants for post of Collector

same to be.

Appointment to be made at a special meeting on 28th inst

The circular of the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust of October 1921, giving list of Bodies who are eligible to appoint committee members for Dungal County was submitted.

Minute:- As Town Commissioners are not eligible to appoint a member we decide not to appoint one.

James M. Gough, Chairman
5/12/21

A special meeting of the Commissioners was held at Town Commissioners Office Ballyshannon on Monday 21st Nov 1921

Mr F. M. Cready presided.

There were also present Messrs R. Keely, J. Haney, J. M. Shea, J. Stephens, J. Holland, J. M. G. inley, M. Gallagher & E. Mulvan.

The business of the meeting was election of Rate Collector.

Pursuant to advertisements two applications were received for the position viz Jack Reilly Ballyshannon and Edward Dolan Killeen.

Mr R. Keely proposed that Mr Jack Reilly be appointed Rate Collector.

Mr F. M. Cready seconded the proposal.

Mr J. Holland proposed that Mr Edward Dolan be appointed Rate Collector.

Mr M. Gallagher seconded same.

On a show of hands 7 members declared in favour of Mr Dolan and 2 for Mr Reilly.

Mr Edward Dolan was accordingly declared appointed.

Mr M. Cready proposed that the Commissioners, having learned with regret of the death of Mr Francis Ward brother of vice Chairman Mr Seamus Ward, extend to Mr S. Ward and the other members of the family their sincere sympathy with them in their sorrow.

The motion was seconded by Mr Kelly and passed unanimously - the members standing.

It was ordered that copy be sent to Mr S. Ward.

James M. Gough, Chairman
5/12/21

A meeting of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was held in the Town Commissioners Office on Monday 5th Dec 1921.

Mr Jas. M. Gough presided.

There were also present Messrs: J. Haney, F. M. Cready, R. Keely & J. M. G. inley.

Market St Ballyshannon
23rd Nov 1921

Read letter from
Mr S. Ward,
Vice Chairman

thanking the Commissioners for kind vote of sympathy to himself and the other members of his family at the death of his brother.

11th Nov 1921 +

Read circular from
Trade Department

Dail Eireann stating that it has been represented to them that in many districts traders continue to charge prices for clothing and food which give them an excessive rate of profit. The Trade Department recommend that anti-profitituring committees working on the lines of those established in this Country by the British Government could give satisfactory results.

Memo:- "no action as this appears no necessity in this locality."

The clerk submitted extract from specification of Road contracts for town streets repairs & cleansing coming into operation at 1st April 1922. The extracts go to show that contractor is to sweep the streets every Friday, all mud to be removed at once by Contractor. Vessels etc must be kept clean. The Commissioners may provide a horse brush for sweeping streets, which can be used by contractor on days appointed, and is to be kept in repair by contractor.

11th Nov 1921 Read letter from Irish Advisory Committee, Carnegie United Kingdom Trust asking the Commissioners appoint a representative on the County Carnegie Library Committee.

The Chairman was suggested - also the clerk was suggested to represent the Commissioners and it was finally decided the Clerk Act.

The following payments were ordered:-

Patrick Gallagher	Salary as Shop Act Inspector to 30/9/21	£1-0-0
Benny Boyle	Posting notices 3 Sets	£0-7-6
Alfred Stubbs	Rent of Cottages	£2-9-0
Helys Ltd	Printing 3 Abstracts	£0-16-3
Francis Tuthill	1/2 years wages to 30/9/21 as Streets Act Inspector	£3-0-0
"	Rent Collectors fees on Rents lodged to date	£1-19-0
Patrick McDermott	Cash paid for Insurance premium	£1-1-0
James Dundas	Repairs to Cottages	£3-5-6
E. J. McGrath	Balance Rate Collection fees	£1-13-2
John Gillespie	Poor Rates on 10 Commissioners Cottages to 30/9/21	£11-16-8
P. M. Dermott	Years salary as clerk to 30/9/21	£20-0-0

The payment of instalment to Board of Works was left over.

The Commissioners then had under

consideration the Market Yard question - The Chairman explained that Mr. Ward did not desire to act as arbitrator in this case as suggested last year but advised that the members of the Commissioners, and the Market Trustees sign an undertaking to submit the matter to arbitration and abide by arbitrator's decision.

The Clerk was instructed to interview the Trustees and report to a special meeting of the Commissioners as if Trustees are agreeable to this course.

Trustees interviewed on 16th Dec - 3 agreeable subject to an arbitrator with legal knowledge acting

Seamus Mac O'Gaird

16/1/22

Minutes of Proceedings of Ballyshannon Town Commissioners at monthly meeting held in Town Commissioners Office on Monday 16th January 1922

Mr. S. Ward presided

There were also present Messrs. - J. M. Cready, R. Keely, J. Kane and J. McGinley

The Clerk reported that as directed at last meeting he had interviewed the Town Trustees ^{on 6th & 7th Dec} in reference to the Market yard and other Town trust property.

Three of the Trustees viz Mr R. Swamy, Mr M. Cassidy and Mr E. Kelly agreed to submit the matter to arbitration and the remaining 1 Trustee was not prepared to give an answer till he should consult one of the Trustees - Mr Cassidy.

The Commissioners considered this favourably and on the motion of Mr Ward seconded by Mr Keely the following Resolution was unanimously adopted

" That in the matter of the Market